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Gingerbread Making Fun!





PJ Day Ends our Spirit Week



Center/Pepin showing their school spirit!



January Happenings!

Mark your calendars with these upcoming January events!

JANUARY 2nd - PTO Meeting @ Pepin - 6:30 PM

JANUARY 7th - School Council Meeting - 4:30 PM

JANUARY 9th - First Day of Chorus - 8:00 AM in Pepin Auditorium

JANUARY 18th - PTO Movie Night

JANUARY 21st - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

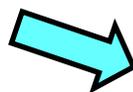
JANUARY 24th - Champions Family Dance Party - 6:00-8:00 PM

JANUARY 25th - Kindergarten 1st Term Ends

JANUARY 28th - NO SCHOOL - Professional Development
UNO's Easthampton Night - 5:00-9:00

JANUARY 29th - Kindergarten 2nd Term Begins

JANUARY 31st - January Monthly Assembly



*Keep your  out for the UNO's flyer to come home!

Save the Date!

Here's what we have planned for February so far...

FEBRUARY 5th - Kindergarten Report Cards Go Home
 FEBRUARY 6th - PTO Meeting @ Maple - 6:30 PM
 FEBRUARY 7th - Title 1 Literacy Family Literacy Night - 6:00-7:30
 FEBRUARY 15th - February Monthly Assembly
 FEBRUARY 16th - 24th - Winter Break
 FEBRUARY 25th - Return From Winter Break



Math Tutor Needed!

Looking for a Math Tutor for Center/Pepin Elementary. The position would be for 15 hours per week.

If you are interested or know someone who would be, please call the school at 529-1545 or reach out to Julie Anne Levin at 529-1500 ext. 140.

Please Don't Forget...

If your child's classroom has snack time, please be sure to send in a snack each day. Often times children are asking for snacks from the nurse or their classroom teacher. We do have a limited supply for those that forget their snacks every once in a while, but certainly not enough for all of our children.

P.S.— Nurse Melanie & Nurse Streeter would welcome any donations from parents who might want to send in a box or two of healthy snacks to have on hand.



Wanted...lunch monitors for Center/ Pepin.
 If interested...please contact us at 529-1545.

December's Monthly Award Winners!



The following staff members were honored as Staff Members of the Month:

Mr. Mark for working very hard to make Center/Pepin Elementary a clean and welcoming place to be. He is always friendly and helpful. We like starting our day with his happy "Good Morning". He always asks if we need anything and offers his help. Whenever he is asked to open or close windows, turn on the heat, fix a shade, find a clock that works, he always comes through with a big happy smile. We are happy to have Mr. Mark as part of our staff!

Ms. Breton for not only her teaching abilities and respect among colleagues, but also for the time and effort she put into the Barnes & Noble Book Fair and our new Center/Pepin Swag Store. We are so happy to have her as part of our team!

December's Students of the Month were: Mollie B, Pierce H, Ayva Y, August R, Jora T-A, Liam R, Logan O, Lydia M, Jonathan V, Aly D, Katie C, Patrick L, Sonia R, Alex R, Sincere D, Chase P, Vanessa C, Liliana S, Mason L, Cristiano C, Leah M, Luke C, Elijah V, William J, Mackenzie C, Ariana B, Ian C, Neveah O, Gabriel L, Bentley F, Serenity B, Jacob L, Charlotte P, Isabel G, Jonathan C, Charles S, Sasha S, Makayla L, Rosalie D, Charlotte M & Carter S. **Congratulations Friends!!**



Need to Reach Us?



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Also, check out our updated website!

News From Our Classrooms...

WHAT'S NEW IN KINDERGARTEN...

Leading into the holiday break many fun activities were planned for our Kindergarteners. Students were busy creating holiday suitcases and participating in gingerbread themed stem investigations. Last month in kindergarten we discussed the topics of holidays and traditions. The students learned about holidays around the world and sharing their own family celebrations with their peers. Did you know that in Australia the heat is too much for reindeer to handle, so Santa's sleigh is led by six white "boomers" AKA kangaroos!



In Mystery Science, we have also begun our exploration of weather and taken on the role of weather watchers. We have learned about the four aspects of weather; temperature, precipitation, clouds and wind. We will continue our weather investigations as we head deeper into the winter season.

WHAT'S NEW IN FIRST GRADE...

Happy January from First Grade! December was busy and loaded with work and FUN! Making Meaning has our little ones visualizing and making pictures in their minds for stories and poems that they listen to and read. Our students are just adoring illustrating their visualizations! Classes are finishing up our math units on story problems with missing totals or partners and moving on to place value concepts in the next few weeks.



Also, our writers are hard at work learning to add purposeful details to their stories. Happy 2019!

WHAT'S NEW IN SECOND GRADE...

December was a very busy month for second grade! We took a quick break from double digit addition and worked on measurement and geometry in math. We learned the names and characteristics of different 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional shapes. Students also enjoyed estimating and measuring in both centimeters and inches. Shortly we will be diving into double digit subtraction. We completed our Material Magic Unit in Science and have shifted our attention to Maps in Social Studies. Second graders are exploring different maps and we are learning all about them, including map keys, map symbols, the compass rose, and map scales. Our exploration of maps will continue.



All the second grade classrooms have started their bi-weekly visits to the public library. We are learning about where to find certain books in the library. Students really look forward to these visits! Parents, be aware, our schedule for the library is a bit scattered over January. There are times when a classroom will have 3 weeks between visits instead of the usual 2 weeks, so please disregard emails about books being late. Thank you!

WHAT'S NEW IN THIRD GRADE...

What a great start to our school year! Building a community of respectful, responsible and safe learners was our priority from day one. We've learned that we need to work together in order to be successful this year. A variety of team building activities helped us realize how important we are to each other. Third graders started the school year in English Language Arts by reading and discussing some fabulous books, such as Miss Nelson is Missing by Harry Allard and Two Bobbies by Kirby Larson and Mary Nethery. Each day we talk to each other and share our opinions about the meaning of the stories and how the characters change in the stories. We also focus on vocabulary from the books and try to incorporate those in our writing. So far in writing we are generating lists for writing ideas in our Writer's Notebooks. We are also responding in writing by making text to self connections to many stories. Our mathematicians are busy learning the 5's and 2's count bys and multiplications. We must not forget to continue to practice our addition and subtraction strategies as well. We are looking forward to an amazing year!



WHAT'S NEW IN FOURTH GRADE...

Fourth grade has been practicing basic division and is now learning how to use long division to divide bigger numbers. We have also been busy researching information about states. Students are learning how to take notes and how to turn those notes into paragraphs which will become a state report. In Social Studies, fourth grade has been studying the Southeast. We have been exploring the music, traditions and important landmarks of that region.

