

# A3 CARDOZO NEWSPAPER

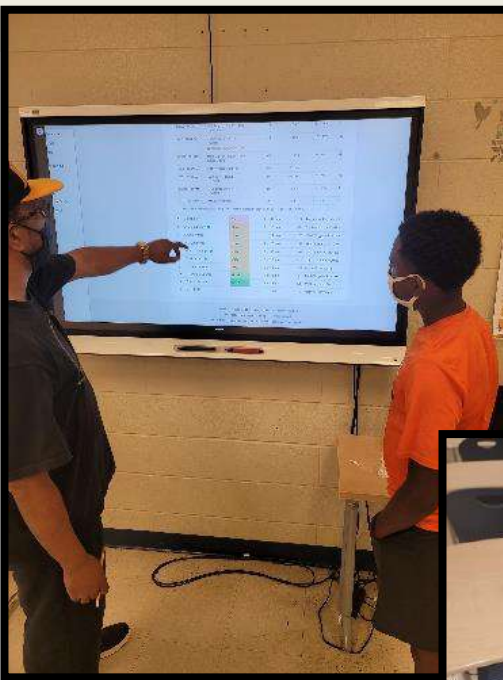
## TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE UP TO IN SUMMER CAMP



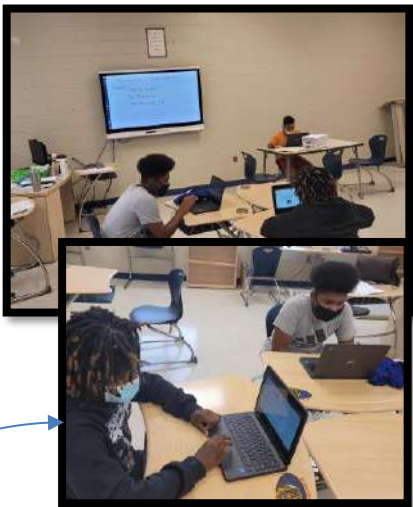
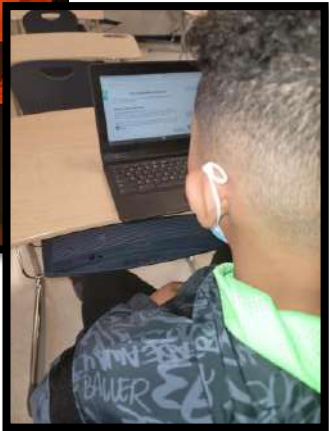
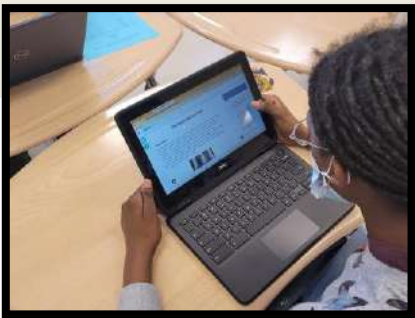
Students working on their SEL Packets

### Social Emotional Learning

Students work on SEL Packets this summer. SEL is helpful to both children and adults, increasing self-awareness, academic achievement, and positive behaviors both in and out of the classroom. Students participating in SEL programs also showed an increased ability to manage stress and depression, and better attitudes about themselves, others, and school.



Mr. Graves is discussing Tameerion's Math data from Freckle



Students are working on adaptive assignments given by Dr. Jones and Ms. Brown for Reading and Writing

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## Counselor's Corner



### MARION ROBINSON

Wednesdays are "Wellness Day" at the Cardozo A3 Summer Camp. Wellness is an active process of becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life. To help our students become more aware of the actions they take throughout the day that impact their wellness, we have organized an activity for each of the Wednesdays during the Summer Camp. The four areas that our Wellness Wednesdays focuses on are Affirmation, Exercise, Mindfulness, and SEL strategies.

Each Wednesday, a special activity that focuses on the areas of wellness are provided to students during their afternoon snack. It is our hope that the activities will help students learn and become aware of the importance of wellness. We hope that the students enjoy the information. More importantly, we hope that these activities will help our students adopt healthy, active lifestyles throughout their lives.

A3 Summer Camp Wellness Wednesday Bingo Pick 5 every Wednesday!				
Try a new food	Clean one room	Do some cosmic kids yoga	10 deep breaths	Write a note for a friend
Play a family board game	Go for a walk	Call a friend!	10 mountain climbers	5 sit ups
Care for a plant or pet	10 jumping jacks	FREE Space 10 deep breaths	Bake a dessert	Draw a picture for a family member.
Color	Help prepare dinner	Eat veggies	Eat fruit	5 push ups
Mail a card to a family member	Play in the sunshine	Send a message to your teacher!	15 second plank	Ride a bike or scooter

A3 Summer Camp Wellness Bingo. The activity encompasses all of the focus areas of wellness for our students.

### IN THIS ISSUE

BOOK CLUB

PIANO CLUB

ARTS & CRAFTS



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Summer Reading  
Book Club

The King Arthur Bread Company has a free outreach program, called Bake for Good, for scholars in grades 4-12. They have three goals: learn, bake, and share.

The scholars will learn to bake bread from scratch. The recipe makes two loaves, one to keep and one that is shared with someone as an act of kindness. Students were given these kits at the same time that they received their summer reading book.

Students that are in Book Club have read their summer reading book as a group and individually over the course of the summer camp. We encourage students to read as many books as they can for the months of July and August. Summer reading loss is a key factor contributing to the achievement gap between struggling and successful students. Lower-achieving students are less likely to read out of school. Those who engage in reading for pleasure are more likely to choose recreational reading as a summer activity.

Being able to read and follow the directions of the King Arthur's Bread Kit will be a rewarding and tasty activity that students will be able to share with their loved ones.

Noah Jacobs and Timeera Jackson arrange the contents of the bag while Zy' Quira Robey watches the video of how to make bread



Tinijah King explores the contents of her Bread Kit



Xiong Green browses the recipe book



ACADEMIC  
ENRICHMENT



FRECKLE

Students have been utilizing Freckle to complete bell ringers, independent practice and exit tickets. Teachers have implemented an enrichment action plan that is based on the pre-test given the first week of camp. The students will be given a post-test during the last week of camp to measure their growth in knowledge of grade level English and Math standards. Pre and posts tests not only assist in measuring how your well students are doing, but it also is a valuable diagnostic tool for effective teaching practices.

Students are very familiar with Freckle, along with all of our parents in the Jackson Public School District. Freckle can be used as enrichment as well as retention to close learning gaps and to give students more practice during the summer. We encourage our parents to allow students to practice in Freckle on their own for a certain amount of time every day or weekly. Even if the teacher does not give specific instructions, your child can access Freckle and practice on their own at any time.

There are several different, age-appropriate and skill level-appropriate math and ELA activities that students can practice independently. As a parent, you can go online to see the different activities that your child can access on their own in Freckle and help them decide what to practice. Parents can also sign up for a free parent account at [www.freckle.com](http://www.freckle.com).

Visual Arts

AMBER GRAY & DIANA HOUSTON

The amount of creativity that the students have displayed is unimaginable. Once we get a chance to actually unplug and unleash our creative potential, you would be surprised at what we can do.



Students have been practicing drawing from memory during visual arts club



Ms. Bishop is distributing the summer reading books and the King Arthur's Bread Kits



FIELD TRIP

Environmental Learning Center

The Environmental Learning Center is a 640 acres of breathtaking beauty. There is a 35-acre lake, 14 miles of nature trails, three outdoor classrooms, a catfish pond, ropes course, cemetery (1800 circa), old home sites, more than 75 different native trees, animals, and much more.

Since the summer of 1992, the Environmental Learning Center has developed programs for students of all ages to enjoy. The A3 Cardozo Summer has taken the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to the ELC and the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade student will go this week. The students have enjoyed the outdoor experience while becoming one with nature.



6<sup>th</sup> grade students are walking one of the many trails at the ELC



Dr. Stokes, Cardozo Summer Camp Principal joins 6<sup>th</sup> grade students as they engage in learning about recycling

The ELC offers :

- Gardening
- Soil Erosion
- Nature Trails
- Distilled Water
- Fishing
- Water Testing
- Catfish Feeding
- Soil Conservation
- Recycling
- Nonpoint Source Pollution
- Plant/Tree Identification



Piano Club

Believe it or not, learning to play the piano has many benefits for students across the curriculum. According to ABC News, the ability to process auditory signals usually slows down as we age. However, participants of a recent study who continued to play music throughout their lives had helped reverse the decline of brain processing, memory and inner ear hearing loss.

Mr. Todd is the piano teacher at A3 Cardozo Summer Camp. He has been playing the piano for 32 years and teaching students for 20 years. Joshua Grace is a first-time piano student. He plays the spare drum for Cardozo’s band. He explained that learning the keys were hard at first, but Mr. Todd is a great teacher. Joshua believes that he will continue to play piano if he gets a chance. He mentioned singing in the choir at church, where he would like to show off his new skills that he learned in camp.

Studies show that piano playing teaches counting and math skills, improves reading comprehension skills, improves hand-eye coordination, boosts self-esteem and reduces stress and anxiety.



Mr. Todd is keeping the tempo as he listens to the progress of Joshua Grace

Arts & Crafts

Through arts and craft, children learn to value and appreciate artifacts and images across cultures and times. Experience in design, art, and crafts enable them to reflect critically on their own work and those by others. They learn to act and think like designers and artists, working intelligently and creatively.

The students in Arts and Crafts Club have been working on painting wooden peacocks and building a hallway display out of creating 3-D paper flowers.





OH, THE PLACES WE WILL GO

Upcoming Field Trips

- AGRICULTURE MUSEUM- 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>
- ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER- 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADES JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>

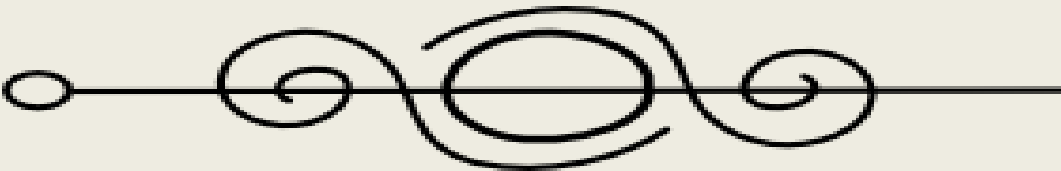


Photo Journalism and News Writing

THE STUDENTS IN THE NEWSPAPER CLUB HOPE THAT YOU ARE ENJOYING THEIR WRITING AND PHOTOS. THE BENEFITS OF HAVING TANGIBLE MEMORIES ARE OFTEN OVERLOOKED SINCE MANY OF US KEEP OUR PICTURES IN THE CLOUD 😊

INTRAMURAL SPORTS COMPETITION



BASKETBALL

Students from all A3 Summer Camps compete in a weekly sports competition.

Enrichment Classes offered at Cardozo A3 Summer Camp (all grades):

- STEM // DRAMA // BOOK CLUB // MATH CLUB // MS SPORTS // PIANO // COMMUNITY SERVICE // ARTS & CRAFTS // CHESS CLUB // VISUAL ARTS // PHOTOJOURNALISM