

Woodland Intermediate Specials Newsletter

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5th Grade Computer Applications

Welcome to Computer Applications! I'm excited to get to know your child this year! Students spend the first fifteen minutes of each class practicing keyboarding skills using a program called Edutyping. This online program allows students who are looking for more practice to access their lessons from home as well. Every two weeks, students complete a timed test to measure how their speed and accuracy have improved. They also evaluate their posture, use of the keyboard covers and focus. Computer Applications is a letter-graded class, and you can access these scores by logging into Infinite Campus. I encourage parents to remind their students to use proper keyboarding techniques when typing at home too. This month, I challenge you to ask your child to teach you what proper keyboarding posture looks like.

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Physical Education 5th and 6th grade P.E.

The 5th and 6th grade students are working cooperating games. The focus of these games is working together and communicating. The first unit the classes will get into will be football. The students will go over the fundamentals for the game that include Throwing, Catching, Punting, and Kicking. After we go through the fundamentals we will get into modified games.

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6th Grade World Studies

Bonjour! As sixth graders, students will study the languages and cultures of France and Mexico. We began our French unit by learning the many benefits of learning French. Did you know that French is the second most frequently learned language in the world (after English) and is spoken on all continents? It is a thriving language in today's global economy, with over 40 countries around the world who use it as their daily language. It is also the official language of many global organizations including the Olympics, United Nations, European Union, UNESCO, NATO, and the International Red Cross. This month, I challenge you to ask your child which benefit he or she chose as his or her top reason to learn French!

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CHOIR INFORMATION:

The choir is once again planning to sing in the KASD Choral Festival on February 20 at the Kimberly High School. This concert will feature all of the choral ensembles in grades 5 – 12, with a song in which everyone will sing together! Our first week of rehearsals is September 12. Rehearsals will run right after school till 3:55. If you missed the sign up and still wish to join, contact Mrs. Been ASAP. Choir Concert Dates: December 6, February 20 (at Kimberly High School) and April 18. In addition, there are two opportunities for singing at festivals on Saturdays this year. The **Singing in Wisconsin Festival**, on November 12 will be at Appleton North High School. This festival is open to anyone interested, but only a limited number can attend. The **Wisconsin Choral Director's All State Choir** festival is held January 14th in Appleton. Registration is very limited for this event, and students who are in 6th grade will receive first consideration.



Healthy Living

5th and 6th Grade

All 5th and 6th students will have Healthy Living with me (Mrs. Curtis) for one quarter during the second semester. I cannot wait to meet the 5th grade students and be able to see the 6th grade students again starting on January 23rd. I will spend the first semester with the 5th and 6th grade students at Mapleview Intermediate.

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Band

Wow! What a great start to the year. Eth-grade band finished their first full week of lessons and band. We certainly have a good group of musicians.

Congratulations to our beginning band students.

The 5th-grade band students have experienced their first lesson. We had an amazing time.

Please help remind your child to have their instrument at school on the correct days. We look forward to playing for you at our first concert on December 6, 2022.

Please welcome Malakai Flynn who is working with our woodwind students at both Woodland and Mapleview. He is at Woodland on Monday/Tuesdays and at Mapleview on Wednesdays/Thursdays. He is a UWSP Graduate and performs on guitar around the Appleton area with various bands!

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MUSIC

Music Notes

We're off to a great start! Fifth grade music classes are reviewing known concepts and are beginning to learn new rhythms though some silly new songs. The students of fifth grade are very good singers and have remembered many music reading concepts from 4th grade! We are adding vocabulary words and sharpening our listening skills by doing some focused listening for different instruments and sections in marches. The fifth-grade concert will include all the students of grade 5 singing and will also include the students who are in the band. This concert will be held on December 6th. Sixth grade students are reviewing rhythms and note names of the treble and bass staves through singing and worksheets. It's fun to jump in where we left off in fifth grade. Their singing continues to be impressive! We will very soon learn how to play the drums and other instruments in world drumming. We will include our drums and voices on our performance on December 6th. Please make sure your calendars are marked with the date, the concert will include every student in Grade 6. Please mark the concert date on your calendar; note that students are expected to attend their grade level concerts, and wear dress pants or khakis, dresses or skirts with dress shoes and a nice top without logos or writing.

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ART



5th Grade Art

The students have created a sculpture made of computer paper, cardstock, masking tape and plaster gauze. The students learned how to use the plaster gauze and were able to attach the plaster to their paper and tape creations. The students also designed the base (made from cardboard) for the sculpture to sit on. This base will create a mood that will bring their plaster sculpture to life. The 5th grade students will use paint, hot glue, feathers, beads, sequins, fabric, and other materials to help make their sculpture unique! Once the students finished their plaster sculpture, they will fill out a name tag. The students will fill out their check-off sheet (self-assessment) on our Google classroom, and their artwork will be displayed in the display cases.

The Elements of art we have covered are: Color, Value, Form, Line, Shape and Texture.

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6th Grade Art

The students learned a different clay building technique called Slab. The students kneaded and flattened a piece of clay out by hand, without the use of any tools. After they had flattened their slab out, they carved into and added extra clay to their slab. The students used wire tools, needle tools, modeling tools, fetfling knives, ribs, and ceramic sponges to create their design on their slab. The students then made a name tag and used their chrome book to fill out their check off sheet (self- assessment) on our Google classroom.

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