Paideia Academy

May 30, 2014

Save the Date!

Tonight! Upper Academy Masquerade Ball

May 31st & June 1st School Play!

June 2nd Monday morning meeting, Coffee with the Director, All-school Field Day!

June 3rd Lightbulb Fair at 9:00am & Volunteer Appreciation Night, 6:30 pm

June 5th Upper Academy Music Concert at 6:30pm

June 6th 8th Grade Lock-in

June 9th Moving Up Ceremonies

June 9th Student Talent Show at 2:00pm (This end of year celebration is for students and staff only)

June 11th 8th Grade Graduation at 6:30pm

To challenge and inspire learners by engaging each student in a rigorous, content-rich education incorporating classical studies, languages, music, and the arts while nurturing positive character development.



Dear Paideia Community,

We're down to our last week and a half!! It's been an interesting time around here as students have started to demonstrate both some readiness for summer (happy!) and a realization that they won't be seeing their friends at school every day (sad!). When I told some students they could come visit me here during the summer, they shouted, "Hooray!" Funny kids J.

This week, we finished up our MAP testing, which lets us know how much our students have progressed in Math and Reading this year. We look forward to analyzing the scores and sharing with you the progress both your individual child and our school have made this year. On Thursday night, we had our final Information Night of the 20113-2014 school year. It was great to see so many prospective families there! Thank you to all the staff and current families who participated in this event. Lastly, we held our Spelling Bees for 3rd/4th grades, 5th/6th grades, and 7th/8th grades this week. Congratulations to Kennedy J, Joel J, and Sarah S!

This weekend brings additional year-end celebrations. Tonight, the PTO is sponsoring our Upper Academy Dance and the Lower Academy event off campus. Both will be a ton of fun! In addition, our school play, led by Ms. Hood and Ms. Matschiner, will take place on Saturday and Sunday in our Great Room. The costumes are absolutely amazing!! Thank you so much to Ms. Schraeder for her incredible creations. Everyone involved has put in a tremendous amount of work, and they should be proud of the characters they have created. Please come out and see it!

Next week, we have even more amazing events happening. Not only is it Spirit Week (see below for a description of each day), but we will also be holding our very first annual Paideia Academy Field Day! I hope you will join us on June 2nd for our final Monday Morning Meeting as well as to take part in our fun day. (**If it rains on Monday, we will move Field Day to the following Monday, June 9th.) On Tuesday, we will be holding our annual Lightbulb Fair! Students will be presenting the work they have done to demonstrate how they connected various Core Knowledge content areas to the Olympics. Families are more than welcome to check out the projects!

On Tuesday night, we will be celebrating volunteerism at Paideia. We cannot thank you enough for the many hours you have put in to supporting our school through your time spent in classrooms, supporting the office staff, working with PTO, etc. There are countless ways that you make a difference to our school community, and we truly appreciate it. Some of you will even get a chance to chaperone one last event - our first 8th Grade Lock-In. Should be fun! Also, don't forget to join us for our Spring Upper Academy Music Concert on Thursday night.

In addition to all this merriment, we will continue our work to finish the school year strong and prepare for next year. Please join us at our Human Resources Committee meeting (5pm, 6/2), Operations Committee meeting (6pm, 6/2), and/or our Academic Excellence Committee meeting (5pm, 6/4). These committee meetings provide an opportunity for you to connect with various members of the school community and have a voice in decision-making. I hope to see you there!

Enjoy the weekend!

Sincerely, Marci Levy-Maguire Director



From the Office

June 2nd- 6th is Spirit Week for all Paideia Academy!

Each day has a theme. We look forward to seeing everyone's spirit shine!

- Monday = Field Day! (Dress in your favorite sports team or exercise apparel.)
- **Tuesday** = class pride day (Dress in the color/pattern listed for your grade level.)

Kindergarten: red Fifth grade: polka dots First grade: blue Sixth grade: stripes Second grade: purple Seventh grade: plaid Fight grade: rainbow

Fourth grade: orange

- Wednesday = Wear your flair! (Wear uniforms, but accessorize with your favorite type(s) of flair hats are allowed.)
- **Thursday** = Crazy hair day (Wear uniforms, but style your hair in any way the crazier, the better!)
- Friday = Dress for success! (Dress for the career that you dream to work in one day.)

Field Day General Schedule

1st period	Monday Morning Meeting		
2nd period	Meet in Advisory Buddy groups - review schedule and determine event competitors		
3rd period	1st round of events		
4th period	2nd round of events	Field Day!	
5th period	Lunch	Ultimate Frisbee, Relay Races, Silly Races, Fitness	
6th period	3rd round of events	Fun, Photo Scavenger Hunt, Core Knowledge Trivia	
7th period	4th round of events	Volunteers Needed!	
8th period	Awards Ceremony		

2014 Talent Show

We want to recognize and support the many talents of our students, as they all have something special to share! To do this, we will be hosting our annual Paideia Academy Student Talent Show. Students in grades 3-8 are invited to perform, and all students are invited to attend the performance!

Students are encouraged to play an instrument, dance, tell a joke, perform a magic trick or sing. Students may perform individually or in small groups. They should develop and practice their acts outside of school hours. It is the student's and family's responsibility to ensure that the act is appropriate for all students and staff at Paideia. Students interested in performing will need to turn in a permission slip to their classroom teacher; more information will be coming home from teachers next week.

Each grade level will have a Grade Level Talent Show, during which all interested students will perform their act for their classmates. We welcome parents to come to the Grade Level Talent Shows to watch the performances, as the All School Talent Show is open only to students and staff only. Each grade level will use a secret ballot voting process to select two representatives to perform during the All School Talent Show on Monday, June 9th at 2:00pm.

We look forward to seeing our students shine!!!

On Monday, June 9th, all Paideia students will be celebrating Moving Up Day!

This will be students' opportunity to meet their teachers for next year, tour their classrooms, and preview the major highlights of their upcoming grade levels!!! Please make sure that your child comes to school on time, and look for more information to come home with him/her that evening. It is sure to be a great opportunity for our teachers and our students as we begin to look forward to 2014-2015!



^{*} ALL spirit days must meet the Out of Uniform Dress Code criteria!

Volunteer Appreciation Event!

Who: All families who have volunteered 50+ hours this year, and all substitutes

What: Cake, punch, and recognition

Where: Gym

When: After the June 3rd PTO meeting at 6:30pm

Why: To show our appreciation for all of the volunteers who help us out so consistently and amazingly



Paideia Academy's annual Light Bulb Fair is coming up on Tuesday, June 3rd at 9:15am.

We would like to invite all Paideia families to come see the projects that our students have created about the Olympics! We look forward to all of the history, artwork, cross-curricular connections, and individual creativity demonstrated by our students!

Don't you just love the excitement of a parade?

Paideia Academy sure does! We are forming our Apple Valley Freedom Days 4th of July Parade Committee right now and we would love to hear from you. If you are interested in participating, please email Stephanie Abraham, Chair of the Marketing & Enrollment Committee at sabraham@paideiaacademy.org. The first meeting will be Monday, June 9th at the school.



Calling all creative minds!!

The Marketing Committee is considering using an altered school logo in celebration of our 10th Anniversary! We would like to see what ideas and logos you can come up with! This is not limited to students – parents, guardians, and staff members can get creative, too. Please submit your pictures and ideas to Tonya Lundstrom by June 9th – we have a Marketing Committee meeting that evening and will be discussing the logos submitted.

YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE REGISTRATION 2014/2015

Y care registration is available online OR paper form on the YMCA table in the Great Room and in the lobby area. \$50 registration fee is waived until June 23!



Come to the June 2nd Monday **Morning Meeting** to meet Gita Ghei. our artist in residency, and to view the finished mobile!



Please come to the Upper Academy's performance of Alice in Wonderland!

Saturday, May 31st, 4:00 PM Sunday, June 1st, 2:00 PM Free of charge (donations welcome)!

PTO News

May 23, 2014

Shoes and Socks Required
for attendees to the Lower Academy
get together at Good Times Park.
Friday, May 30, 6:30 to 8:30 pm
No drop offs allowed.

Upper Academy Dance

Friday, May 30, 6:00 to 9:00 pm

5 students to every 1 parent

Make arrangements early.

If you can volunteer for security contact the PTO!

Accepting Nominations for:

Vice President

Treasure

Secretary

Fundraising Coordinator!



Volunteer
Appreciation
next PTO Meeting
June 3, 6:30 pm

Counselor's Corner

A Message from your Counselors: Preparing your child for transition!

Whether you have a child entering Kindergarten, Middle School, High School or just another grade, preparing him/her is very helpful and important. Some children will be affected more by grade/school transition than others. As one school year nears an end, think about these ideas to help transition your child through the summer to a new school year:

- Talk about the upside of entering a new grade: new teacher, new friends, new opportunities
- Address your child's fears: listen to and validate these fears, and talk about your own fears when you
 were that age.
- Take a tour: If possible, visit your child's school and take a tour of the building and classroom.
- Consider resources: If you feel that your child is experiencing high levels of anxiety about the upcoming transition, consult available resources (books, internet, School Counselor, etc.)

New and Noteworthy:

- June is Fireworks Safety Month
- June is National Safety Month
- June 5th is World Environment Day
- June 11th is Paideia's last day of school
- June 14th is Flag Day
- June 19 is Emancipation Day

ESL Program News!

Early ACCESS scores have arrived! Official ACCESS scores will be sent to districts later in the summer. The early ACCESS scores are to help determine placement and programming for the following school year.

Ms. Frank will be available to meet with individual families to go over these results. An email will be going out shortly regarding available conference times.

DID YOU KNOW??

The Sumerian language is one of the earliest known written languages, dating back all the way to 3,000 B.C. It was originally spoken in Mesopotamia (modern Iraq). It is now an extinct language.

From the classrooms

Physical Education:

June 2-6

In Physical Education this week we will have any make up fitness testing that is necessary. We will also be outside playing team sports games. Please make sure your student is coming to school with tennis shoes for gym class. Ideally students should have proper footwear with them daily for recess, but especially the days they have PE! We want to make sure all students are minimizing their risk for injury. Thanks for your efforts!

Inspirations in PE:

It was awesome to see so many of the students improve their endurance run time. Many students asked to run extra laps at the completion of their run! The students overall displayed a positive and open attitude about the endurance run.

Health:

June 2-6

All classes will be reflecting on their fitness testing results and will be taking a health questionnaire on their thoughts about health for the year.

* Field Day is scheduled for Monday June 2nd. In the event of rain or inclement weather, we have planned a backup date during the last week of school on Monday June 9th. We hope that we will not have to resort to this, but want our volunteers to be aware of this since right now there is a 60% chance of rain for Monday.

Visual Art

Standards/unit:

Upper: Artistic Foundations, Create or Make, Perform or Present Lower: Artistic Foundations, Create or Make, Critique or Respond,

Activities:

Upper:

Metal Mobile Wrap Up

Lower:

Outer Space: color rockets

Collograph: collaboration project as a class Sculpture: paper/cardboard sculptures

Inspirations:

Upper:

Alexander Calder– mobiles Artist in Residence, Gita Ghei

Lower:

Outer Space: NASA

Elements of Art: review shape, line, texture

Alexander Calder: sculptor and inventor of mobiles

Volunteer Opportunities:

Do you know how to wedge clay to remove air bubbles? Currently, there are many scraps of clay that need to be wedged, and packed away for next year. If you have any clay experience and would like to volunteer to help prepare our clay, please contact Mrs. Shelton or Mrs. Cooper. Thanks!

Announcements:

The final mobile is installed in the Great Room! Big Thanks to Mr. Bob for helping Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Shelton install the giant mobile!

Come to the June 2nd Monday Morning Meeting to meet Gita Ghei, our artist in residency, and to view the finished UA mobile!

Technology

Over the past week, Mr. Grover and Mrs. Ekrem have focused on reading and math MAP testing for grades 2-8. We were so impressed with the students' desire to take their time and do their best! MAP test results will be shared with teachers next week.

Please see the "Paideia Resources to use at Home" link attached to the weekly newsletter email.

Kindergarten: We look forward to reviewing some basic computer skills with Kindergarteners next week.
 1st Grade: Students will be working with Mr. Grover to insert their images into backgrounds of Ancient Egypt!
 2nd Grade: We are looking forward to working with second grade students over the next week and a half on insect PowerPoints. Many second graders have only seen PowerPoints but have never created their own until now!

4th Grade: Fourth grade students have been working on rotating, cropping and aligning images in a nature scavenger hunt.

5th-8th **Grade:** We will continue to work on the Career PowerPoints in Advisory with grades 5-8 until the end of the year. This project involves web based research, creation of a presentation, graphing in Excel and comparing and contrasting skills. Students are not only focusing on two potential career options in the future, but are learning how to interview an adult, present information to peers and weigh out options prior to making decisions.

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Music

Kindergarten

Standards/unit: Carnival of the Animals; Orchestra Sections; Forte & Piano

Activities: Closet Key, Instrument Quiz, Risseldy Rosseldy **Inspirations:** Torgee and Presley were bravo students!

1st Grade

Standards/unit: Review known solfa and rhythms **Activities:** Risseldy-Rosseldy; Duck and Dive

Inspirations: Ryan, Lydia, Rowan, and Macey were bravo students!

2nd Grade

Standards/unit: Review known solfa and rhythms **Activities:** Risseldy-Rosseldy; Duck and Dive; Ida Red **Inspirations:** Megan and Ellaina were bravo students!

3rd Grade

Standards/unit: Practice tika-ti; review pentatonic scale

Activities: Risseldy-Rosseldy; Duck and Dive; King of the Mountain

Inspirations: Zoe and Earah were bravo students!

4th Grade

Standards/unit: Artistic Process: Create or Make; Creating Melodies

Activities: Creating melodies to play on the xylophone. Expanding from four to eight measure melodies using question/answer phrases.

Inspirations: Students in 4th grade can create conjunct melodies!

5th Grade

Standards/unit: Artistic Foundations; Music Theory

Activities: Continuing to play music in simple meter. Composing music in compound meter.

Inspirations: Students in 5th grade have composed melodies in simple meter!

6th Grade

Standards/unit: Artistic Process: Create or Make; Music Production

Activities: Finishing work on our final projects, combining Apple loops, Smart grooves, and original melodies and utilizing contrasting sections, quantization, and responsible snapping.

Inspirations: Students in 6th grade have completed their music production projects!

7th & 8th Grade

Standards/unit: Artistic Process: Create or Make; Instrumental Composition

Activities: Guest performer Sue Ruby from MacPhail Center for Music will be performing student compositions on June 3rd!

Inspirations: Students in 7th & 8th grade have completed two-part inventions that will be played by a MacPhail Center for Music pianist on June 3rd!

<u>GarageBand funds update</u>: We have funded our purchase of the expanded GarageBand instrument selection! They will be updated soon. Thank you to the generous families who donated to the cause of making great music at Paideia Academy!

Spanish

<u>Kindergarten</u>

Standards/unit: Review numbers, days & seasons

Activities: Bingo 1st Grade – 5th Grade

Standards/unit: Foreign Language Standard 5.2- Students show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for enjoyment and enrichment.

Activities: Students will be watching and listening to a movie in the Spanish Language.

5th Grade – 6th Grade

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Activities: Students will be watching and listening to a movie in the Spanish Language.

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Spanish Cont.

7A & 8A

Standards/unit: Foreign Language Standard 5.2- Students show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for enjoyment and enrichment.

Activities: Students will be watching and listening to a movie in the Spanish Language. No Spanish class on Monday because of Field Day.

Kindergarten

Math: Mrs. Johnson's Group: We will review the concepts we have learned in kindergarten this year. We will also finish end of the year assessing. Mrs. Selim will be bringing in a fun end of the year math activity.

Ms. Stevens' Group: We will finish our end of the year assessing and start working on mixed practice addition and subtraction problems. Our focus will be on making sure we read the plus and minus sign correctly.

Language Arts: Sight Words: Review of all sight words.

Ms. Stevens' Group: We will finish end of the year assessing and play reading games.

Mrs. Johnson's Group: We will finish end of the year assessing and play reading games.

Advisory: We ran out of time last week and didn't have a chance for the first graders to share their how to be a first grader book. We will share these books this week.

Announcements:

- Monday, June 2, will be our all-school field day! Half-day kindergartners are invited to stay all day on this day to participate. Please let Mrs. Johnson and Ms. Stevens know if your child plans to attend all day on this day. Also, please note that your child will need a lunch! We will be outside for a good portion of the day—feel free to apply sunscreen at home before coming to school.
- Ms. Stevens will be gone on Thursday and Friday for her sister's wedding. Mrs. Prouty will be our guest teacher. The students will be told this on Wednesday.
- This week is SPIRIT WEEK! Students are encouraged to dress according to theme each day!
 - Monday: Athletic Wear/Exercise Wear! Hats are okay.
 - Tuesday: Class Pride Day—Kindergartners wear RED! (doesn't have to be a uniform shirt)
 - Wednesday: Wear Your Flair Day—Wear your uniform, but accessorize with your favorite type of flair (hats, jewelry, fun hair accessories, etc...)
 - -Thursday: Crazy Hair Day—Wear your uniform but have fun, crazy hair!
 - Friday: Dress Your Best Day—Dress up in your prettiest clothing!
- Kindergarten is in charge of Monday Morning Meeting on Monday June 2, please join us if you can.

Volunteer Opportunities: Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered throughout the school year! We will not be asking for volunteers for the remainder of the year due to assessing and fun, school-wide activities. If you are interested in helping out with school-wide activities, please contact the office.

Inspirations: Happy Birthday Allyson and Jasmine (6/6)! We have been very proud of how patient the kindergartners have been while we are working on end of the year assessing!

Join us Monday, June 2 for the last Monday Morning Meeting.

First Grade

Math: We will finish our unit on Algebra. We will work on first grade review. Your child can work on IXL: O.1-O.10 at home for extra practice.

Language Arts: We will finish all of the end of the year assessments. We will work in Daily 5 centers. We will write about our memories of first grade.

Science: We will continue working on being healthy. We will begin a unit on weather.

Social Studies: We will make advice books for the kindergarteners about first grade. We will make first grade timelines.

Advisory: We will continue talking about using good manners. We will practice social skills at extra recess on Wednesday.

Announcements: The last homework packet of the school year was sent out Friday. It is due Thursday, June 5th. Please remember to have your child read every night to earn full points!

Volunteer Opportunities: If you would like to volunteer during Field Day next Monday, June 2nd please e-mail Marci Levy-Maguire or Mr. Leckband or Mr. Phillippi.

Inspirations: Luke and Melody retired clips this week! Way to go!

Second Grade

Math: Rothstein's Class: addition and subtraction with regrouping, time, and word problems review Griffith's Class: multiplying by 3's and 4's

(IXL math skills: W1-2, X1, and review any previous skills)

Language Arts: Daily 5 rotations, individual reading assessments, and Words their Way spelling words (spelling test on Thursday)

(IXL LA skills: E1, E2, F1, F2, W1, W2, BB1—3)

Science: continuing observations of mealworms and finishing books and PowerPoint on insects

Social Studies: continuing immigration and citizenship

Advisory: all school morning meeting, star of the week (Griffith's class only)

Announcements:

- —The last homework assignment of the school year was sent out today and will be due next Thursday, as usual.
- —All school field day is on Monday! We will be participating in events with our 6th grade buddies.
- —The light bulb fair is on Tuesday morning (June 3rd). Please let your child's teacher know if your child has been working on a project and will be participating in the light bulb fair.
- —Next week is spirit week! We hope to see all of our students participating!

Volunteer Opportunities: See volunteer spot (http://vols.pt/5pnfmn) for any remaining quarter 4 volunteer opportunities. If the link doesn't work for you or you have more questions, email Wendy, our 2nd grade parent rep, at devriesw@yahoo.com.

Inspirations: We now have some adult darkling beetles! Ask your children about how they have been observing their mealworms from larva to pupa to adult!

Third Grade

Math: <u>Jensen:</u> Multiplication and division review/games, choice boards, math games on the computer

IXL Standard: 3.1.2.4

Schnase/Kegel: math technology

IXL Standards: Any 3rd grade standards

Language Arts: Daily 5, 3rd grade idioms

Science: Astronaut research, typing, space facts review game **Social Studies:** Roger Williams, William Penn, Choice Projects **Advisory:** Field Day, letter to a 2nd grader, Talent Show Tryouts

Announcements: All School Field Day is Monday, Lightbulb Fair is Tuesday, and the 3rd grade Talent Show Tryouts are Friday morning from 8:30-9:05. Please keep working on those 4th quarter projects! We are looking forward to seeing and celebrating all of your creations. Ms. Jensen's brother will be coming to observe how a 3rd grade classroom runs on Tuesday, June 3rd. He is going to school to become a teacher, so he is very excited to come observe!

Volunteer Opportunities: We can always use help with office work. Please let your child's teacher know if you are available to help out during the week.

Inspirations: The 3rd graders enjoyed watching and participating in the Spelling Bee this week!

Fourth Grade

Math:

We will be playing a variety of math games.

Language Arts:

We will work on a project about our Literature Circle book.

Science:

We will research a respiratory problem.

Social Studies:

Students will learn about Chinese dynasties.

Advisory:

We will work on team building and how to work collaboratively.

Announcements:

Field day is Monday, June 3rd. If inclement weather it will be held the following Monday 9th.

Inspirations:

Next week is Spirit Week!

Fifth Grade

Math: We finished our unit on ratios and are moving on with percent, percent of a number, and percent of change. Time permitting, we will start Angles on a Line, Angles in triangles, and Classifying triangles. Our fifth graders have really matured these last few months, both academically and behaviorally – I can see they are almost ready for the 6th Grade!!

Language Arts: Students will end the year finishing up their work reading, writing, and improving their vocabularies. Students will have a chance to show off some of the poems they've created, and wow their classmates and teachers with a group poetry reading. May reading calendars are due Monday, June 2, and cannot be accepted after June 3. Remind students that all library books should be returned, and that Mr. Leckband will return any books students give him.

Social Studies: Students will continue to listen to "An American Plague" by Jim Murphy until the last day of school. This is an account of a yellow fever epidemic in Philadelphia in 1793. Students are not only learning about the historical events of this time period and considering the impact of this event on the very young United States, but they are also learning vocabulary and completing comprehension work. Students are completing graffiti pages during the reading to take notes and record ideas they find interesting and important. During the reading we will also do research to examine other plagues and infectious diseases and we will complete a math activity to graph all the deaths in the book.

Science: This week the fifth graders have begun working with the periodic table. We've been busy learning symbols, creating atomic structures, and experimenting with chemical and physical changes. We will be ending the year by researching a scientist and hosting a "Scientist Museum" to show off our work to our classmates.

Advisory: Students continue to use Advisory time to work on character education, organizational/study skills, and Olweus Anti-Bullying.

Announcements: There is a LOT going on this week and next. Please be sure to read the newsletter for important dates. June 2 – 6 is Spirit Week (hats are only allowed on Monday and Wednesday). We have field day on the 2nd. 6th grade talent show auditions are June 6 (students need a signed permission slip to participate). STUDENTS WERE ASKED TO TURN IN ALL MISSING WORK ON MAY 30. Donations are needed for the 5th grade auction, taking place June 11th. Please contact Mr. Leckband or Ms. Mackey if you have something you would like to donate. Please make sure students are returning their library books. We may make a trip to the library next week if this week's trip was again postponed due to rain. Volunteers are also needed for the upcoming field day on June 2nd. Please review the Paideia Uniform policy on our website. Many students are wearing jackets and sweatshirts that do not comply with the dress code.

Volunteer Opportunities: Classroom teachers would love help doing end-of-the-year cleanup in their classrooms.

Inspirations: It was inspiring to see 5th graders write so amazing concrete poems, cinquains, limericks, and haikus. Many students proudly presented their poems to the class.

Sixth Grade

- **Math:** We finished our unit on multiplying and dividing fractions. I was inspired by how much our sixth graders improved their performance in this area from the pre-test to the post-test!! They were able to discover concepts on their own in our small group stations developing an understanding of WHY product can actually become smaller than the factors that go into the problem.
- **Language Arts:** Students have finished their work with "Vocabulary from Classical Roots." Next week, students will be creating e-books on storyjumper.com. Watch for an e-mail giving instructions for accessing your student's e-book.
- **Social Studies:** Students will finish a unit on World War 2 and have a test on the Roaring 20s, Prohibition, the Jazz Age, the Great Depression and WW2 on Wednesday. In addition students will do research on modern Minnesota government and business. After Wednesday, we will take some time to revisit some topics from earlier in the year that we wanted to cover in more detail.
- **Science:** This week in sixth grade we have begun learning about the circulatory system. We began by learning the different parts of the heart and the different blood vessels. Students are now using this information they have gained to create a life-size poster demonstrating the different parts of the system that they have learned about. The sixth graders will be finishing up the year learning more about the human body and diseases.
- **Advisory:** Students continue to use Advisory time to work on character education, organizational/study skills, and Olweus Anti-Bullying.
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- **Volunteer Opportunities:** Teachers would love help doing end-of-the-year cleanup in their classrooms. **Inspirations:** It was inspiring seeing so many 6th grade students excited about "The Odyssey" and epic storytelling.

Seventh Grade

- **Math:** Students will be finishing up their story problems with equations. They will learn about some STEM careers. 7B would also like to learn some Trigonometry!
- **Language Arts:** We are concluding the persuasive reading and writing unit. Students will be reading and learning how a disastrous event in the past still has negative effects on the future. Students will then write a short story about this topic.
- **Social Studies:** This week in Social Studies students briefly discussed economics, including the price system and supply and demand. Next week we will learn about a smattering of Standards, including the Civil Rights Movement.
- **Science:** 7th graders will be having a quiz on Tuesday. This quiz will cover diseases and the immune system. Wed-Fri will be spent learning about human impact on the biosphere. PLEASE TAKE HOME ANY STUDENT PROJECTS LEFT IN THE SCIENCE ROOM OR THEY WILL BE THROWN AWAY!
- **Advisory:** Mr. Grover, Mr. Roll, and Mrs. Ekrem have been working with students on college and career readiness activities in Advisory. 7th graders are discussing character traits such as curiosity, and working on getting organized and caught up for midterm, and continuing with Olweus Anti-Bullying topics. Students have also been engaging in activities relating to college and career readiness.
- **Announcements:** We are looking for donations of filled water balloons, frozen treats or other snacks, garbage bags, and lawn games for the festivities at Kelley Park on the last day of school! If you have ordered a lunch for Wednesday, June 11th, it will be a bag lunch for the park.
- **Inspirations:** We were inspired by all of our students who participated in the Spelling Bee! It's hard to get up there in front of people and to take on that risk! Whether you won or got out on the first word, way to go for trying!!!

Eighth Grade

- **Math: 8A:** the students will be taking their final chapter 12 test using a notecard. There will not be corrections on this test. They will then study some probability. **8B:** the students will be reviewing some of the concepts from the school year as well as learning about STEM careers.
- **Language Arts:** We are concluding the persuasive and argument writing unit. Students will conduct their debates in class and students will vote on the best presentation.
- **Social Studies:** This week in Social Studies students learned about the geography, history, and culture of the Middle East. Next week we will learn more about Asia.
- Science: 8th graders will revisit the nature of science by covering bias and ethics in science. They will also be researching and "applying" for science careers. Mock interviews will take place on Friday the 6th through Tuesday the 10th as needed. PLEASE TAKE HOME ANY STUDENT PROJECTS LEFT IN THE SCIENCE ROOM OR THEY WILL BE THROWN AWAY!
- **Advisory:** Mr. Grover, Mr. Roll, and Mrs. Ekrem have been working with students on college and career readiness activities in Advisory. 8th graders are discussing character traits such as curiosity, working on getting organized and caught up for midterm, and continuing with Olweus Anti-Bullying topics. Students have also been engaging in activities relating to college and career readiness.
- Announcements: We are looking for donations of filled water balloons, frozen treats or other snacks, garbage bags, and lawn games for the festivities at Kelley Park on the last day of school! If you have ordered a lunch for Wednesday, June 11th, it will be a bag lunch for the park.
- **Inspirations:** We were inspired by all of our students who participated in the Spelling Bee! It's hard to get up there in front of people and to take on that risk! Whether you won or got out on the first word, way to go for trying!!!

Walk for Love♥ July 5th, 2014

Loring Park, Minneapolis, MN 9a.m. and will conclude at noon 1.5 miles

In addition to the walk there will be food vendors, activities!

Hi! My name is Macey. I am 7 1/2 years old and in the first grade. Please help me to raise money to support Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Shriners Hospitals for Children V Love to

the Rescue

See more of Macey's story on: myfoxtwincities.com and search: Macey

Macey was born with a limb deficiency that caused many challenges for her leg, making it difficult for her to walk and play. The last year lead to an unexpected journey where Macey needed to have that leg amputated. For Macey this turned out to be a gift. She received amazing care, support, and love at Shriners Hospital for Children Twin Cities. Now, with an amazing prosthetic made for her at Shriners Hospital, Macey is enjoying a happy, new life! Macey is now able to do things that she has been waiting and wanting to do for a long time! Macey has recently joined dance, softball, and swimming! Macey is enjoying being a kid, a gift given from Shriners Hospital for Children with help from supporters like you! With your support, Shriners Hospitals for Children is able to provide care, comfort, hope, and life changing medical services to children in need......regardless of families' ability to pay.

Shriners Hospitals for Children has 22 locations and provide care for children with orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate.

WALK FOR LOVE♥ is where we can come together to show support for children and families who need Shriners Hospital for Children.

Join Macey's Team July 5th or be a virtual walker and donate by visiting: