

The SPARTAN SHIELD

March
2024



Be the storyteller of Our School: Capture Moments, Connect Communities, and Create Memories with the Junior High Newspaper Team!

Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday 3/13 2:30-3:15

Thursday 3/14 5B lunch



CONGRATULATIONS

Your junior high teachers celebrated students with all A's on their report cards with an ice cream sundae bar! Even if you didn't earn all A's this time, remember that success is a journey, not a destination. Your efforts are valuable, and with dedication and hard work, you can achieve your goals. Keep pushing yourself, and who knows, next time you might be joining in on the celebrations with your own well-deserved scoop of success!

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

15 End of 3rd Quarter

21 9-week Reward

22 Spring Vacation Begins

APRIL

2 Classes Resume

3-5 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip

8 Eclipse Day - No School

19 No School

MAY

27 Memorial Day - No School

30 Student's Last Day

Got News?



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CLASSROOM NEWS

MEET OUR STUDENT TEACHERS



Miss Awada

Miss Awada, joining us from the University of Akron, is a valuable addition to Mr. Curry's classroom and has been a great addition to the daily lunch group. She diligently challenges all students in their studies and is on track to graduate in May as a K-12 intervention specialist.



Mr. Inman

Mr. Inman, coming to us from Walsh University, has been teaching 8th-grade US History with Mr. Skeggs since August. What a trooper! He currently plans and teaches all 8th-grade classes, proving to be a valuable asset with his excellent rapport and dedication to teaching.



Mr. Cutler

Mr. Cutler, also joining us from the University of Akron, teaches 8th-grade Science with Mr. Hanna. When he graduates in May, he will be certified in 4-9 Science, Social Studies, and Special Education.



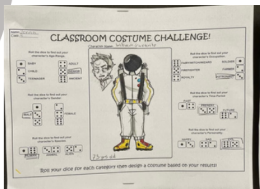
Miss Bailey

Miss Bailey, from Kent State University, has been a wonderful addition to Mrs. Wyss's classroom, but will sadly be missed as her last day is March 8th. She will be finishing her last 8 weeks of student teaching 4th-6th graders at Twinsburg Intermediate. In May, she will be graduating with a Bachelors of Art Education degree.

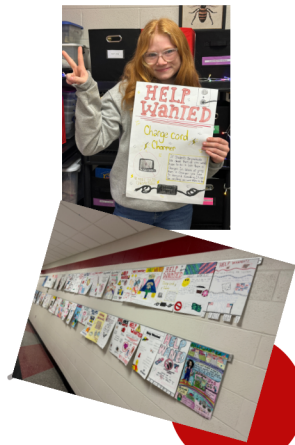
CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS



Mrs. Hartong's classes have been immersing themselves in "reading for Fun" - she received a Donor's Choose grant from some generous parents for the "Lit Lounge" in her classroom. It is an awesome space for 7th graders to chill out with their favorite book!

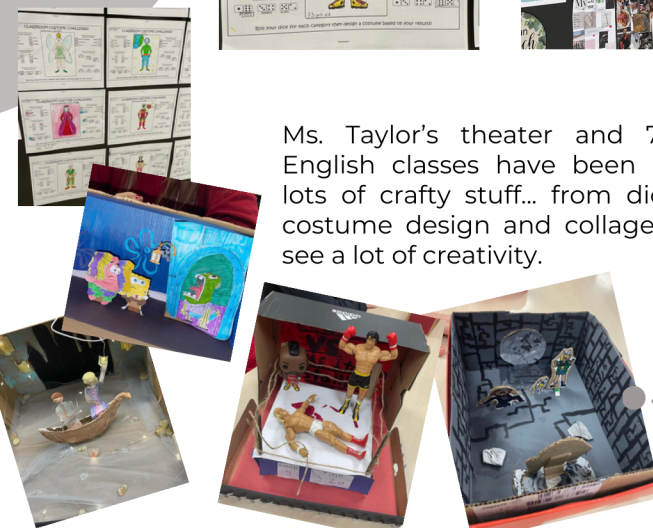


Dr. Putt's 8th graders just finished a portion of *The Giver* called the Ceremony of Twelve. All children in their twelfth year are assigned jobs for life. Dr. Putt's classes had their own Ceremony of Twelve where each student was assigned a job. All of the jobs were silly or gross and related to keeping a school running. Students had to create "Help Wanted" posters to persuade individuals to come work with them and then had to present in class.



ELA

Ms. Taylor's theater and 7th grade English classes have been busy with lots of crafty stuff... from dioramas to costume design and collages you can see a lot of creativity.



Mrs. Callaway's students carved pumpkins to represent the different houses of Harry Potter and then enjoyed a tasty treat of roasted pumpkin seeds.

Math

Mrs. George's students have been learning in a *Building Thinking Classroom* setting this year. Students are currently working through systems of equations and beginning to prepare for the state test.

Doc B's 7th graders have been busy learning both 7th and 8th-grade math standards in order to prepare for the 8th-grade math test. Her 8th grade Algebra students have been actively exploring linear equations and quadratics. They are gearing up to take the Algebra end-of-course exam for high school credit.

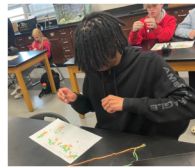
Social Studies

Mr. Skeggs' students will be exploring the aftermath of the revolution, including the drafting of the Constitution and the establishment of the new American government.

Mrs. Manzo's students are demonstrating their knowledge of math skills while also showing off their new classroom addition... a Clevertouch!

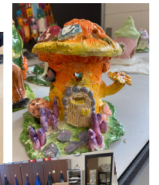


Meiosis versus mitosis in Mr. Hanna's classroom!



Science

Mrs. Wyss and Mrs. Crites have been keeping their students busy making all kinds of fabulous masterpieces!



MORE CLASSROOM NEWS

OTHER NEWS

PLEASE HELP

Paws
for a
CAUSE

SUPPORT

Lakemore Dogs Homeward Bound

The Junior High Student Council has selected Lakemore Dogs Homeward Bound as their Community Service Project. Thanks to Donors Choose and The Allstate Foundation, student council will be selling bag tags, pencil bags, baseball caps, t-shirts, and tumblers while supplies last. There will be a change challenge and supply donation drive to follow. The hope is to raise enough funds to provide outdoor runs with a protective roof to shield the dogs from the elements and provide more fencing to enhance their living conditions.

Items can be purchased during lunch or see Mrs. Phillips in Room 115.

Direct donations can be made 3 ways...

- Using the QR Code (be sure to note that it is for Lakemore Dogs and include an address for a receipt)
- Drop off at Springfield Township PD
- Mail to: Lakemore Dogs Homeward Bound
2214 Canton Road
Akron, Ohio 44312



DID YOU KNOW:

In the heart of our township lies Springfield Lake, one of Ohio's rare natural lakes. Fed by an underground spring, it's a kettle hole lake formed by melted glaciers from the ice age.

GOT NEWS?



Submit news and pics here!

CARING CLOSET



Are you worried about your grades?

Come to Study Tables after school everyday until 3:30 in Room 302

ASK SPARTY...

Dear Sparty,
I am new to Springfield. Can you tell me what is all the hype with the Spartan Standards and that noisy crank thing?

Dear Spart-curios,
Welcome to Springfield, the land of Spartans and the mysterious cranky contraption! The Spartan Standards are like our superhero code – they're all about being **respectful, responsible, safe, and kind**. As for the noisy crank thing, think of it as our magical standards dispenser. It's not just any old hopper; it's the gateway to appreciation tokens and Spartan glory! When that crank starts turning during the announcements, it's like our version of the lottery – only cooler. So, buckle up, embrace the standards, and who knows, you might just become the next Spartacus of Springfield!
Spartanly Yours, Sparty



FOOD PANTRY
OPEN

Spring OST Testing Schedule

- April 16 - ELA part 1
- April 17 - ELA part 2
- April 23 - Science 8 & Biology Part 1
- April 24 - Science 8 & Biology part 2
- April 30 - Math 7, Math 8, Algebra 1, and Geometry Parts 1 & 2
- May 1 - US Studies and Government Parts 1 and 2