



# Renaissance Report

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# PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

A note from Mrs. Bergman

FEATURED  
THIS WEEK:

Basketball  
Tournament



## Go Rams Basketball!



Congratulations to the A Team and B Team who both took home championship trophies at the basketball tournament this past weekend!

# Parent/Teacher Conference Information:

Spring Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for **February 5th through the 9th**. Just like in the fall, we will be using Signup Genius to schedule individual conferences. For your convenience, we have Chromebooks available in the foyer for you to use. Please contact Tina Singer (in the office) or your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions.

Here is the link to sign up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080548ada72aa7f58-feb>

## Parent Club Updates:

The Spring Carnival will be held April 20th. If anyone is interested in helping the Carnival Committee, please contact Sarah Whitman at [siwhitman31@gmail.com](mailto:siwhitman31@gmail.com).



Remember to turn in your Box Tops by March 1st.



# Family Game Night at RPSA!

## Renaissance Academy Is having a Family Fun Game Night Thursday, January 25th from 5:00-6:00



Students grade K-8 and their families  
are invited to a fun family night!



All students and their **families** are invited  
for a night of quality family time. **Play fun** and  
**educational games** that help kids learn and  
master critical **Math and Language Arts** skills.  
This event is *free* of charge to all students and  
their families.



**\*All games are available for purchase  
the night of the event  
and range in price from \$4.00-\$25.00  
No Purchase necessary**



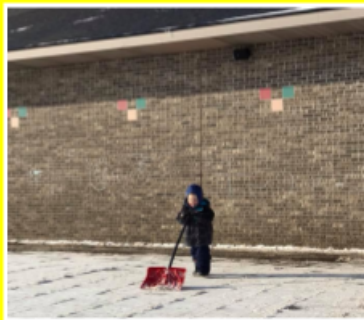


# Preschool News

One of our highlights this week was a game created by Danielle, a student in our class. She had a clipboard with a letter sheet and started looking around the class for letters that matched! We all decided to do this-what fun!! Thanks Danielle!

## January Birthdays!

Mason, Noah and Kunj!  
Happy birthday, boys!



Rhyker helping Mr. P shovel the back patio

Another highlight: Painting with shaving cream and glue. Adding glue makes the shaving cream puffy and soft when it dries. We painted with it on blue paper-made it look like snow against the sky. It also smells so good! Good times were had by all!

## Fun Family activity:

Make your own scavenger hunt in your home. Make a list: something soft, something blue, something fuzzy, something small, something rainbow, something you wear, something heavy, something smelly, something green, something shiny... Add your own ideas and HAVE FUN!!

**Please be sure and check your child's extra clothing for school. Also, even though there's no snow right now today, please be sure and bring in all snow gear. It is still cool and wet and will be going outside. Thanks!**

# Kindergarten News



## Literacy

-an word family  
\*author, illustrator  
-\*Sight words:  
are, now, come, me  
you, what, with, my

## Math

The Teen numbers:  
Count them, write  
them, in and out of  
order

## Writing

We have read and  
now are writing  
books with patterns

## Social Studies: Needs and Wants

Science:  
Weather

## \*Reminders & Events\*

**FIELD TRIP, Wednesday, Jan. 24, 8:45-11:00**

**MT. PLEASANT DISCOVERY MUSEUM**

**\*PLEASE make sure to sign up for P/T conferences**





# Voyager Newsletter



## Academics:

In math, our students will be working on identifying numbers to 100, 3D shapes, and coordinate planes.

In reading, our students will be working on comprehension strategies with both nonfiction and fiction text. We will be working on asking and answering questions like who, what, where, why, as well as looking at how characters change over time.

In social studies, our students will continue to work on understanding these essential questions: How do people live together in a community? How do people's choices impact a community? These lessons will lead up to our Itty Bitty City learning celebration.

In writing, our students will be working on writing an informational book using text and graphic features.

## Important Field trip Dates:

Monday, January 22: Narrativity Coffee Shop

Monday, January 29: Adelaide's Bistro & Ginko Tree Inn

Friday, February 23: Snow Snake (Snow tubing; waivers will need to be signed by parents)

Thursday, March 1: Bay City Planetarium



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us  
donations donations

Your students are developing a community to show what they've learned about economics. They are going to produce goods that can be purchased at a later time. Before purchasing materials we wanted to reach out to families to see if anyone wanted to donate any of the following items:

duct tape in a variety of colors and designs  
large safety pins  
cardstock  
ribbon or thick string  
fabric (fleece would be best)  
1 oz. Plastic solo containers with lids  
dawn hand renewal dish soap  
medium beads and charms

puffy paint  
adhesive gems  
silicone mold trays (already have heart and lego shapes)  
elastic stretch string  
embroidery floss in a variety of colors

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# Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

January 22nd-January 26th



## This Week's Learning

**Literacy:** Islanders will continue to use and study non-fiction resources with their studies as well as practice further with using text evidence.

**Math:** We are adding, subtracting, simplifying and comparing fractions with great accuracy!

**Writing:** The students are diving into writing the chapters of their informational books!

**Science:** We are so impressed with the teamwork skills that the Islanders are using when working on this project! The journaling and documenting each week has been quite exciting as the students are watching their own progress as they move forward!

## Staying Up To Date

- Make sure your child is still working hard on practicing multiplication!
- Please make sure your child comes to school each day with the necessary clothing items to play outside at recess!
- It is expected that the Islanders are reading 20-30 minutes at home every day.

## Important Dates

- Mr. LeValley visits Jan. 22nd
- Family Game Night Jan. 27th 5:00pm-6:00pm
- Conferences Feb. 5th-9th. Make sure you sign up online or come in and sign up!





# Week at a Glance

**January 22- January 26**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Big Events and Happenings			EARLY RELEASE	1/17 - WNEM TV5 Guest Speaker - Chris Easlick, Meteorologist	THE AMAZING RACE Part 4 - Ask your child about it!

## Weekly Summaries

MATH	LITERACY	WRITING	SCIENCE
X and / Fractions OR Order of Operations OR Expressions and Equations OR Measures of Central Tendency  Ask your child which topic they are working on.	Identifying text structures and summarizing informational text	Working on our informational essays as a part of our Science/Social Studies unit	Ocean currents and their impact on climates of the world

Our guest speaker was moved to this week on Thursday - WNEM TV5 Meteorologist Chris Easlick is coming in to chat about the weather.

On Friday we are going to Snow Snake for tubing fun. Your child should have brought home a notice and waiver for last week.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE

## Middle School Happenings January 22 - January 26

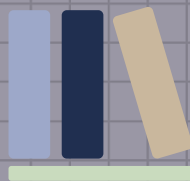
### Study Lab Tuesday & Thursday

Math	English/ Language Arts	Science	Social Studies
Mr. McCausey's Statistics & Probability is underway. Students that need to complete a reassessment from their Equations Assessment should come to Wednesday Work Room or Study Lab to complete it. <b>Mr. Buzard's math 1</b> is working on writing equations for lines in the form of $y=mx+b$ given different pieces of information. <b>Mr. Buzard's math 2</b> just quizzed on linear equations and will be quizzing soon on consistent, inconsistent, and identity equations.	Writing- We are finishing up introductions for our argument papers. The students will be focusing on the body of their paper for the next two weeks.  ELA- Students are continuing their work with root words. Further, they are working toward their 40 Book Challenge; completing comprehension quizzes and working toward their Book Talk Project.	All of the students should be working on Phase 2 of their project and getting a start on Phase 3 at this time.  Project demonstration will commence on January 29th in class, so students must have their project tests and brochures complete by this week.	Students in both Mrs. Hubbell's and Mr. Buzard's class are just starting a new project. Students are researching the Louisiana Purchase and Lewis and Clark and putting together interactive projects for their classes. We can't wait to see the final projects!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Major Assignment, Assessments and Events		Study lab in McCausey's room		Study lab in Hubbell's room	<u>Glow Dance</u> will be from 5:30-7 in the school gym. Students may dress up and wear glowsticks. <u>Please be mindful of the pickup time.</u>



# Specials and Enhancements



## Trailblazer Field Trip to Snow Snake!

Friday, January 26th, Mr. McConnell is taking the Trailblazers (and their teachers!) on a field trip to go tubing at Snow Snake! A waiver and information sheet went out on Friday, January 19th, that tells the times they will be leaving the school, how long they will be at Snow Snake, and when they are expected to get back to the school. Also in the information sheet is a list of materials that the students will need to bring.



# Rams Athletics

## Boys Basketball:

The boys ended their season at their tournament Saturday in Big Rapids. Both the A team and B team took home championship trophies! Congratulations on such fine seasons, athletes! Go Rams!

Please wash and get your uniforms turned in to Mr. McCausey as soon as possible.

Banquet information will be coming soon...keep an eye out.

## Cheer Team:

The cheer team will continue to have structured practices as they prepare for their competition. Cheer team members need to be continuing to work on their routines and attend practices regularly to stay sharp.

## Girls Basketball:

The girls basketball schedule continues to change, and the latest schedule has been posted on the athletic site...check it out.

Here's the link: <http://renaissancepsa.com/athletics/>

Individual and team pictures will be taken on the 25th of January, this week. The coach will send envelopes home with players.

Make sure you have any orders with you on the 25th...along with your uniform. Student-athletes should change immediately following school dismissal.



**Go Rams!**





# Girls on the Run

**The spring session of Girls on the Run begins March 12 and is open to girls in third, fourth, and fifth grades. Registration will open in February. Fee scholarship applications are available on a first come, first served basis and are available now. You will receive a code to use when completing the registration form in February. Visit**

**<http://www.gotrcentralmichigan.org/>. Click “Register Now” and then select “Spring Scholarship Application”**

**Volunteer coaches and assistant coaches are also needed. Training and lesson materials are provided. Please check out**

**<http://www.gotrcentralmichigan.org/> to learn more about the programs and to volunteer.**