



## October 9, 2017 Newsletter

### UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8	9 5:30 PM Girls' B Team Volleyball at Home	10 Cross Country Beaverton Invite	11	12 5:30 PM Girls' A Team Volleyball at Home	13 Cross Country Mustang Invitational	14
15	16 5:30 & 6:30 PM Girls' Volleyball at Heritage, Cadillac	17	18 Parent-Teacher Conferences	19 5:30 & 6:30 PM Girls' Volleyball at Home	20 4:00 PM Cross Country Alma Scottie Classic	21
22	23 5:15PM Cheer and Boys basketball informational meeting	24 5:30 PM Girls' B Team Volleyball at St. Peter's, Big Rapids	25 6:00 - 7:00 PM Family Science Night	26 5:30 & 6:30 PM Girls' Volleyball at St. Mary's, Big Rapids	27 5:00 - 7:00 PM Halloween Party	28
29	30 5:30 PM Girls' A Team Volleyball at Trinity, Reed City	31	NOVEMBER 1	2 5:30 & 6:30 PM Girls' Volleyball at Home	3	4 League Volleyball Tournament at Big Rapids High School
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## RENAISSANCE PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY ON FACEBOOK

We are happy to announce a new and improved way to stay up to date on events and celebrations of learning at RPSA. In the past, our school has had multiple pages on Facebook for specials, Title, All-Pro Dads, Parent Club and Middle School. Even Mrs. Bergman had a principal page. All of the pages previously associated with RPSA will now become one. By following [Renaissance Public School Academy-Mount Pleasant](#), parents, students, families, and friends can find everything they need in one place.

The purpose of this page will be to inform our school community of special events from all of our school organizations and clubs. It will also be the platform we use to post pictures of student learning and special recognitions. Questions, comments, and concerns will now need to be directed to the appropriate person via email or by contacting the office at 989-773-9889.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS FLYERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have added a display rack in our lobby and a large monitor. The monitor will scroll announcements for upcoming school events as well as pictures from around our school. The display rack will house community flyers and information for families from outside agencies. Friday Folders will now only include school sponsored event information and student work. Families are invited to visit the display rack often and take flyers of interest.

## ATHLETIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us today for Rams volleyball action! Our Rams "B" team will take on the Raiders from St. Peter at 5:30pm. We hope to see you there!

Thursday, our Rams "A" team will host the Panthers of Trinity at 5:30pm. Come on out and cheer them on!

Spectators, please understand that bringing in outside food and drink into the game is prohibited. Please see the concession stand for your refreshment needs. Thank you.

The Rams cross-country team will travel to Beaverton on Tuesday for the Beaverton Invite. They will also travel to Montabella on Friday for the Mustang Invitational. I am sure that the Rams runners would love to see you out there and support them. Go Rams!

All CC runners PRed at the Fowler: Apples to Apples Invitational on Friday! Go Running Rams!

Monday, October 23, at 5:15pm, join Mr. McCausey for the Boys Basketball and Cheer Team informational meeting. Valuable information will be given concerning the upcoming season. Students wishing to play, and their families, are invited to attend. Student-athletes should attain their physical as soon as possible...you will not be able to tryout without it.

October 9th and 10th: Head on over to Domino's to purchase a pizza at the menu price, and the Rams Athletics Program will receive \$2. Every pizza purchased brings a donation...tell all of your friends!

## THE TITLE 1 TEAM

### Family Science Night

**Wednesday, October 25th 6:00-7:00pm**

Students from the Central Michigan University chapter of the Michigan Science Teachers Association will be here to provide fun science experiments for students and their families. All students and families are invited to attend this event!

### Specials and Enhancements at RPSA!



#### The Book Nook

Look for Mrs. Doyle in the Open Space on Wednesday, October 18th during Parent/Teacher Conferences. I will be registering children and families for library cards from our local CRDL libraries. Public library cards provide invaluable access to a variety of materials, from books to movies to video games. All Renaissance students are able to get library cards, even those who live out of the district, so come visit Mrs. Doyle and sign up for a card!



#### The Art Corner

In a collaborative effort to unify the school, right at the start of the school year, the entire student body of Renaissance Academy created the "Let's Get Art Smart" mural. Each student was responsible for making at least one 3x3 inch square, and helped piece back the puzzle once their drawings were completed. Just like in a puzzle, each piece is a vital component of our mural, no matter the ability level.

On Friday, October 6th, this mural went on exhibit in the Gratiot-Isabella Mahoney Center building for their Spotlight 2017-2018 Program. Go check it out and try to spot your square!

# Kindergarten News



## Literacy

- Beginning Sounds
- Rhyming
- Sight Word: and

## Math

- Numbers to 5
- Writing
- Recognizing
- Ordering
- Sorting by one attribute
- Continuing Patterns

## Writing

Letters m, n, o, p

## Science & Social Studies

Life Science  
Who am I?

## \*Reminders & Events\*

- ★ Parent Teacher conferences are next week!
- ★ CHECK YOUR CHILD'S AGENDA THIS WEEK FOR BOOK BAG INFORMATION!

# Voyager Newsletter

## Academics

This week some Voyagers will continue to work on subtracting numbers to 10. Others continue to work on numbers to 1,000.

In reading, our focus is on retelling key events in a nonfiction story.

In writing, the children continue to work on their opinion writing.



## BIRDS! BIRDS! BIRDS!!!



Hopefully your child has been telling you about all the fun we have been having studying birds! We have investigated bird beaks, bird feet, and bird feathers!

Continue to watch the weather to ensure your child is appropriately dressed for the day.



# Classroom News

## Renaissance Islanders



October 9th - October 13th

### This Week's Learning

**Literacy:** Please find some time to read with your child at home. They will truly appreciate the time you spend together!

**Math:** Have your student(s) told you about Front Row or Xtra Math yet? Ask them about these great sites that are improving the Islanders' math skills when you have a chance.

**Writing:** Islanders are starting to edit and finalize their persuasive letters! Our students have selected great topics with convincing reasons to support their arguments!

**Science:** We will start to wrap up research on our Food Web and Invasive Species units. They have been hard at work designing a food web and writing an informational report!

### Staying Up To Date

Conferences are coming up! We ask that families sign up on the website below:

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

If you need access to a laptop please let your child's teacher know and we can easily make that happen.

We have three lunch options now available! Two hot lunch choices as well as a salad bar are now offered to students daily!

### Important Dates

October 16th-20th: Parent Teacher Conferences.

October 13th: CMU Medical Students will visit us!



## ***Trailblazer Week at a Glance October 9-13***



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Major Assignment & Assessments	Pre-Assessment for Argumentative Essay Narrative Reading Pre-Assessment				
School Events/ Activities			<i>Early Release</i>		

### **Weekly Summaries**

MATH	LITERACY	WRITING	SCIENCE
Continuing with Unit 1 for all levels	Begin narrative reading	Creating argumentative essays	Working on our argumentative essays “Do you agree with Alfred Wegner’s theory of Continental Drift? Why or why not?”

***Please sign up for See Saw, if you have not already done so. If you need another instruction sheet, check with your child’s teacher; we would be happy to get you another one.***



# Middle School Happenings

## October 9 - October 13

**STUDY LAB HAS BEGUN**  
**Every Tuesday & Thursday**  
**3:30 - 4:30**

**Any student that would like some extra time to work on projects, assignments, etc. is welcome.**

### Weekly Summaries

Math	English/ Language Arts	Science	Social Studies
<p>This is the final week of the 6-week “flipped” unit in Mr. McCausey’s classroom. The assessment will be Friday. I encourage all of the students to continue to work through the videos and ask as many questions as you can....leading up to the assessment.</p> <p>Mr. Buzard’s classes have been finishing up rational and irrational numbers and have been moving on to properties of exponents. After properties of exponents we will work on scientific notation!</p>	<p>Students should have most of their research done and be starting their information papers. We are finished with looking at genres and heading into theme in reading.</p>	<p>The students received an overview of the project choices for the 1st trimester, and they seem pleased with the options.</p>	<p>We are wrapping up children’s books and hoping to share with the littles! We are also going full force into the three branches of government.</p>

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<b>Major Assignment, Assessments and Events</b>	Volleyball “B” only St. Peter @ Renaissance 5:30pm	Cross-Country @ Beaverton Invite 6:10pm Children’s books due		Volleyball “A” only Trinity @ Renaissance 5:30pm	Cross-Country @ Montabella 5:10pm

**Make sure to be on the lookout for Parent/Teacher Conference Sign ups!**