

## Renaissance Report

**OCTOBER 23, 2019** 

#### Attention:

### **RPSA Families**

Mark your calendars to come celebrate our students' learning!

Student Led Conferences: Weeks of Nov. 11th and Feb. 24th

#### Student Led Conferences

RPSA conferences will look different this year than they have in the past. Your child will be presenting the information and leading the discussion about their progress thus far.

More information to come. As you schedule your conferences, please be sure to pick a time when your child can be in attendance. SOMETIMES THE LITTLEST VOICES HAVE THE BIGGEST THINGS TO SAY.

Learning
Celebration Dates:

December 19, 2019 March 26, 2020 June 9, 2020

# RPSA STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES:

## PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING LINK TO SIGN UP FOR A CONFERENCE:

https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/53173d80ea1c9eac24-rpsaconferences

### Mrs. Doyle is still in need of volunteers!

# Scholastic Book Fair is Coming Soon!!

**During the Monster Mash Dance AND Monday - Thursday, October 28 - 31** 

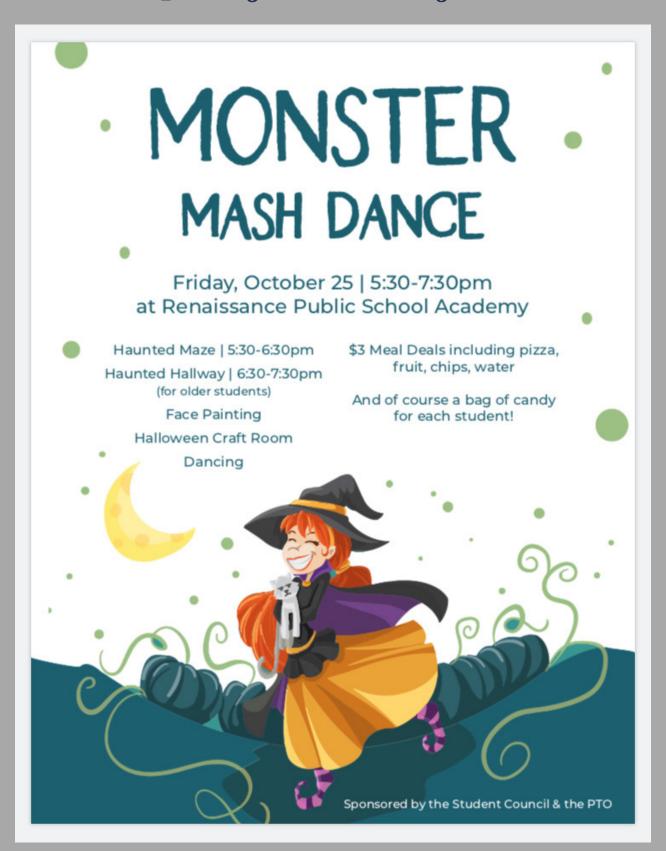


The book fair will be open each day for 30 minutes before and after school, and at the Monster Mash Dance on Friday night. It offers a great opportunity to celebrate reading with your students! Mrs. Doyle is looking for volunteers to help with setting up and cashiering. If you are interested, please click on the following link to sign up:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aa4a829a4f94-fall

## **PTO Sponsored Event:**

The PTO is still in need of adult volunteers in order to make The Monster Mash a success. Please sign-up using the following link:





Tuesday, November 5 5:30-7:30pm | RPSA Cafeteria

Join us as we make toys for the Animal Shelter and visit with some service animals.

Please bring in the the following items to make toys for the cats & dogs and place in the designated box in the lobby:

- empty toilet paper rolls feathers
- corks
   pipe cleaners

#### **CAT VS DOG Canned Food Contest**

Are you a cat or dog person? Vote by bringing in the wet food of the animal you choose- one can is one vote. Vote as many times as you want! Put food in the designated Cat or Dog box in the lobby.

If attending event, please register online: https://www.allforgood.org/projects/P8oZ3jQq



## Classroom News:



### Kindergarten News

#### Literacy

We are exploring sounds, words, and sentences. Sight word for the Week:

we

#### Math

Here is some of the vocabulary we are using: one more, one less, same, different, match the number to the object.

#### Writing

We are practicing the letters: S, A, I, T in handwriting. More letter crafts are coming home.

#### Social Studies

We will share our special stuffed animal with another person and compare them.

#### \*Reminders & Events\*

\*Looking ahead: NO SCHOOL Friday, November 1 Teacher Professional Development

\*Please send a jacket in the morning in case it is needed for our unpredictable Michigan weather.





## Voyager Newsletter



#### Academics:

In math, our students continue to work on counting forward and backward to 20. Also, they are practicing place value to the thousands.

In reading, our students continue to work on answering who, what, when, where and why. Also, how a character changes over time and why.

In science, our students continue to learn what is special about birds: What are a bird's external parts and why are they important? How and why birds adapt? And why do birds have different types of beaks? Also, we are learning about biomimicry.

In writing, our students have begun writing a personal narrative. This writing ties into their personal experience feeding the birds at Anderson and Girls.

Parents.

Please watch the weather to ensure your child has the proper coat and footwear. It would be a good idea if your child has some sort of boot to put on when going outside for recess.

As always, if you need to contact us, please use Seesaw and we will respond to you during non-instructional time throughout the day, thanks.

Monster Bash (Put on by the PTO) October 25, 2019 5:30-7:30

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 Picture Retakes

Friday, November 1st: No School

Thanksgiving Holiday (NO School) Wednesday, November 27 Thursday, November 28 Friday, November 29



Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

October 23rd

#### This Week's Learning

Literacy: In this week of school the students read about some major events that lead to the development of Michigan as a state.

Math: Groups this week have been working on basic multiplication and a PBL involving algebraic thinking and Halloween!

Writing: This week the students that have finished their persuasive letters continued to work on a creative writing piece of their choice.

Social Studies: The students had an awesome field trip to the Grand Rapids Public Museum last week! They viewed a variety of exhibits, such as West Michigan habitats, Egypt, fish, and toys throughout each generation. They will begin to research attractions that they would like to visit in Michigan this week

### Ideas for Home

- Please make sure your child is reading for 30 minutes every night.
- Please make sure your child brings a coat to school everyday.
  - Students that do not bring a coat still have to go outside for recess. Please ensure your child is prepared to stay warm and avoid getting sickl

#### Important Dates

- Halloween party is on October 25th from 5:30pm-7:30pm
- No school on November 1st.
- Conference week is the week of November 11th: Look out for information from your teacher about signing up
- Thanksgiving break is November 27th-December 1st.



## News and Events

#### **OUR CURRENT PBL DRIVING QUESTION:**

How can our knowledge of plate tectonics and the history of the Earth help raise awareness of the potential dangers of living in geographically and geologically unstable areas of the Earth through a "Tectonically Speaking Conference?"

MATH	+, - Integers, decimal operations, fraction operations, and algebraic concepts- ask your child which one they're working on.
PBL	Group PBL work - prepping for our Tectonically Speaking Conference
LITERACY	MAISA Unit on Narrative Reading
WRITING	Think CERCA - Ciphers



SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday 11/5/19 5:00-6:30

Trailblazer students will be holding a "Tectonically Speaking Conference"



Assessments and Events REMINDER: If your child has/had a fever or has thrown up within the last 24 hours before school starts, they should remain at home to recover and prevent the spread of illnesses.

Middle School Happenings

#### STUDY LAB IS UNDERWAY! Tuesday & Thursday 3:30 - 4:30PM

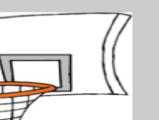
Math E		English	English/ Language Arts		Science		Social Studies	
Mr. Buzard's math classes are working with negative and zero exponents and will be taking their assessment on properties of exponents soon.  Mr. McCausey's classes finished the Unit 1 assessment, and they will receive feedback soon.  Resource math is working on objectives individualized for each student.		Students will be continue their exploration into Poe with a literary analysis of the short story The Cask of Amontillado.  Resource writing continues to work through persuasive writing and how we can see it advertising.		Chemical Reactions and Properties are underway in all science classrooms!  Students are exploring the elements and their physical and chemical properties. They are working toward writing a creative story about a Super Element and their chemical interactions with another character.		We are moving onto Chapter three in our digital textbook "Were the First Presidents More Reactive or Proactive in Dealing with the New Nation's Growing Pains?"		
	10/24 (Th)		10/25 (Fri)	10/28 (Mon)		10/29 (Tue)		10/30 (Wed)
Major Assignment,	Boys Basketball Tryouts		Halloween Dance	Volleyball A/B Vs. St. Mary Home		Picture Retakes Scholastic Fair		

## RAMS Athletics:

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#### **ATHLETICS**

Boys Basketball & Cheer Tryouts
October 24
3:30 - 5:30 PM







Boys 5th through 8th grade (basketball) and boys/girls (cheer team) that are interested in playing should attend - with a completed physical.



# ATHLETICS RAMS VOLLEYBALL Coming Up

October 28: "A/B" Team

Home vs. St. Mary - 5:30 PM/6:30 PM





#### **ATHLETICS**



## RAMS CROSS COUNTRY Awards Banquet

November 4, 2019 RPSA Cafeteria - 5:45 to 7:15 Potluck Style!

Runners and their families are invited to attend for an evening of celebration as we honor our student athletes' accomplishments!



#### **ATHLETICS**



## RAMS VOLLEYBALL Awards Banquet

November 8, 2019 RPSA Cafeteria - 5:45 to 7:15 Dinner Provided!

Volleyball players and their families are invited to attend for an evening of celebration - as we honor our student athletes accomplishments!