



Renaissance Report

JANUARY 14, 2019

Join us for Dinner Tomorrow Night!



ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT!
Athletics Fundraiser

January 15, 2019
6:00 to 7:00pm

School Cafeteria
Proceeds help pay for athletic scholarships



Purchase your entry-card(s) today in the office for \$5!
For one hour, it is all-you-can-eat pizza for only \$5!
You **must** have your entry-card to get into the event and...
Only 150 cards are being sold! Get your card(s) today!

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT ATHLETICS FUNDRAISER JANUARY 15:

The event is tomorrow, and you can still purchase your entry cards for just \$5! Your support helps pay for student-athletes scholarships, which allows them to play and us the ability to offer these opportunities. The event was a blast last year, and we expect it to be just as much fun this year! You can eat a lot of pizza in one hour...and for only \$5! The event is taking place in the school cafeteria from 6:00 to 7:00pm. If you cannot make it to the event, perhaps you would just like to support the athletics program by purchasing some entry cards and donating them. We look forward to seeing you there!

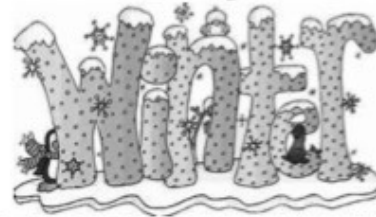
Renaissance Academy

Is having a Family Fun Game Night

Thursday, January 24th 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**

Please RSVP by January 23rd

Name _____

Grade(s) _____

#Attending ^{*}_____

(Please return RSVP to your home room teacher)

*Our preschool families are also invited! Many of
the games can be played by younger children.

All Pro Dad Breakfast:

January 18th is the next All
Pro Dad Breakfast at RPSA!



ALL PRO DAD

We hope to see you at 7am
this Friday!

Riverwood After School Club



Up to 1.5 hours of bowling with shoes,
Instruction & snack provided

5th- 8th Grades \$10 per visit

(online option available)

Tuesdays and/or Thursdays 3:30pm-5:15pm

(parent pickup available until 5:45pm)

ICTC Transportation provided from Renaissance to Riverwood

Families of 5th-8th grade Rams:

**Riverwood Resort and RPSA are excited to continue our
partnership this winter!**

**January and February dates have been added. You can sign up
online by clicking the following link.**

<http://www.riverwoodresort.com/-2019-youth-initiative>



Dear Renaissance Families:

FlexTech High School is proud to invite all students and their families to our Fall Project Showcase!

We use a project based approach where we integrate content from multiple subjects with things that are relevant and interesting to students. Teachers collaborate with colleagues or community members to create cross-curricular experiences and rigorous learning opportunities for all students.

Every project begins with a big idea or essential question that guides the student through their research. At the end of each semester, students select their favorite project to present at our project showcase event. At the project showcase, students share their work with a public audience who provides feedback to them.

We are extremely excited to speak with you about our program and we will have enrollment information available at the event as well. The FlexTech Fall Project Showcase will be at Morey FlexTech High School from 5PM - 7PM.

When: Thursday January 24th from
5PM - 7PM

Where: Morey FlexTech High School
380 West Blanchard Rd Shepherd, MI
48883



Gratiot-Isabella Technical Education Center

OPEN HOUSE

Over 50 years of CTE education at work

Thursday, February 7, 2019
5:30-7:30 pm



All Mt. Pleasant labs will be open and operational

National Technical Honor Society
Induction Ceremony at 7:45 pm

Gratiot-Isabella Technical Education Center
1155 S. Elizabeth St.
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858
(989) 775-2210
www.GI-TEC.com

This is a great opportunity for our older Rams to check out Mount Pleasant High School's Tech Center!

Preschool News

WELCOME BACK!!

We had a great first week back from a long vacation.
This week we focused some on numbers. We identified numbers, counted and even did some simple addition and subtraction.
-Mrs. Simon and Mrs. Binns

REMINDERS:
JANUARY 21 NO SCHOOL MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
JANUARY 29TH 2:15 PM DANCE PERFORMANCE



Kindergarten News



Literacy

Sight words:
are now
We are blending
words and listening
for the sound in the
middle.

Math

The teen numbers
may be challenging,
but we we've "got
this"

Writing

We are writing
narratives about
something we did
over our Winter
Break. We are
becoming authors!

Science

It was fun making
a graph of the
weather over
winter break.

REMINDERS & EVENTS

*No school, Monday, January 21, Teacher PD
*Kindergarten Learning Celebration, Tuesday, January 29
at 2:15
Come and see what we are learning through creative
movement and expression!





Voyager Newsletter



Academics:

In math, our students will continue to work on place value. They will also be working on comparing and ordering numbers, as well as addition and subtraction w/ and w/o regrouping.

In reading, our students will be working on informational text; they will be taking notice of the different text features and the importance of these features.

In science, students will be working on our Light and Sound unit. Students will be completing a light and sound project for our next Learning Celebration.

In writing, our students will begin a writing "How to" that will lead into their information writing.

Parents,

Please continue to remember to send all winter clothing with your child each day: hat, gloves, snow pants, and boots are a necessity for your child to have fun in the snow. Also, if you can, please supply your child with a snack or two per day for snack time. We can supply some, but there is never enough for everyone to have two; many days the students are very hungry even shortly after lunch.

Thanks for your support!


Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, January 15: Domino's All You Can Eat for One Hour Fundraiser in the school cafeteria from 6-7 p.m.

Friday, January 18: All Pro Dad's

Monday, January 21: No School for Students

Monday, February 18: No School for Students



Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

January 14th-January 18th



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! The students are also practicing their money skills during Math Enrichment. Have your child practice counting change at home!

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

Science: Our students are now working in their teams working on their Rube Goldberg projects. Each group is designing a contraption that will help take care of an everyday task!

Staying Up To Date

- This week your child will begin Rocket Math in the classroom to help improve their accuracy with multiplication and division facts!
- It's cold outside! Please bring your outdoor gear for recess each day!
- Our Islanders are readers at school and at home! Make sure 20 minutes or more are happening each day outside of school!

Important Dates

- No School on Jan. 21st.
- Family Game Night Jan. 24th 5:00pm-6:00pm
- Conferences are coming up in February! Stay tuned for more information!



Week at a Glance

January 14-18

MATH	-Fractions operations -Algebraic Expressions and Equations
PBL	Social Studies - Colonial Life 14th Colony Project
READING	Informational -Text Structure
WRITING	Argumentative Writing a persuasive essay for our colonial project

**No School for students on Monday, 1/21.
This is a staff in-service day.**



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

January 14 - January 18

Study Lab Tuesday and Thursday

Math	English Language Arts			Science	Social Studies
<p>Mr. McCausey's classes are starting work with inequalities.</p> <p>Mr. Buzard's math classes are working on two-variable equations and representing linear relationships using tables. Towards the end of this week we will begin our work on slope and graphing lines for equations!</p> <p>In Resource Room, students are working on converting fractions to decimals in tenths and hundredths form and comparing decimals on a number line</p>	<p>Student focus will be on Point of View. Students will engage in activities that have students think about different scenarios in multiple perspectives. They will learn the importance of point of view in relation to storytelling and communication.</p> <p>Further, students will begin exploring Argument writing.</p> <p>In Resource room, we are using various reading strategies to help us comprehend the informational pieces we are reading.</p> <p>In Resource Room Writing class, students are using their artistic talents to show that the revision process is used in many ways especially in the writing process</p>			<p>Students in Mr. McCausey;s class have completed their Body System Assessment. Students in Mrs. Liphard's class will take their assessment on Monday.</p> <p>We will continue our Growth of an Organism Unit the rest of the week. Students will be moving on to reproduction of plants and animals.</p>	<p>We are currently learning about five major empires and will be starting our next project next week!</p>
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Major Assignment, Assessments and Events	Liphard Body System Assessment	Study Lab Student Council	Early Release	Study Lab Student Council	

Specials and Enhancements



Our #WhatLiftsYou wings have flown to new places!

They are now up on display in the Gratiot-Isabella RESD Art Showcase. We are so lucky to show off our beautiful wings to others in our community, and have them participate in our uplifting question, what lifts you? If you are curious to see our wings in action at their new location, here is the address:

1131 E Center St, Ithaca, MI 48847.



Athletics

Boys Basketball:

All of our boys teams are in their final week of the season! The final standings should be posted by next Friday, and we should know what seed all of our teams are in the tournament. It's an exciting time to be a Ram!

Upcoming Games:

January 14, our Renaissance "B" team will travel to Reed City to take on the Panthers.

The game is set to start at 5:30pm. They would love to have you there for support! Good luck!

January 17, our Renaissance "B" and "A" teams will close out their season's at home versus the Colts of St. Mary! The "B" game will begin at 5:30pm...with the "A" game shortly to follow. For the "A" game, both teams will begin the night with 4-3 records - it should be a terrific ballgame to be at! Come on out and cheer on the Rams!

TOURNAMENT January 19:

The boys basketball tournament is being held at Big Rapids High School. The first game is set to begin at 1:00pm. The bus is scheduled to leave at 11:20am. All three teams will ride the bus, and all three teams will come back to the school together. If you would like to transport your child, please make sure to have your waiver form signed by Mrs. Bergman in advance. Please, do not wait till the last minute.

Boys Basketball Banquet:

The banquet has been scheduled for February 22. Student-athletes from all three of the boys teams, along with their families, are invited to attend. It should be a great evening of celebrating and honoring our student-athletes and coaches. The event will take place in the school cafeteria from 5:30 - 7:00pm.

Cheer Team:

Our cheer team will wrap up their season of sideline cheering this coming week at our final home events! They are doing an amazing job showing what Rams Pride is all about!

They will be traveling to Alma College on January 26 for the Spiritfest Competition! The competition begins at 10:00am. Arrive early to find a parking spot. Details will be sent home soon!

Girls Basketball:

Renaissance Girls Basketball is underway as well! Congratulations to all of the girls on having successful tryouts! Welcome aboard, Coach Scott and Coach Sroufe! Good luck on your seasons!

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Battle of the Books

Three teams of students will be representing Renaissance at the Battle of the Books competition this year. This first written battle takes place on Tuesday, January 29. Students on the team will travel via school bus at the end of the school day to participate in Midland.

Students will be back at Renaissance and ready for pickup at 6:30 p.m. following the battle. Battle participants will be bringing home an informational letter with additional details this week.

Students who have checked out battle books, but who are not on one of the official battle teams should return the books at this time so that the battle teams have adequate copies to prepare. These books will again become available to all students at the conclusion of the battle season. Thanks for your assistance.

