

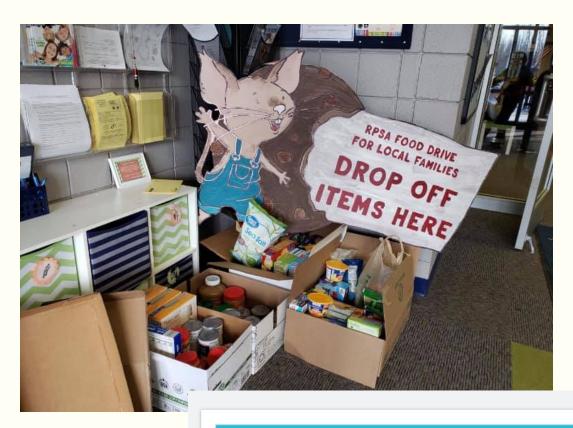
# Renaissance Report

MARCH 13, 2019

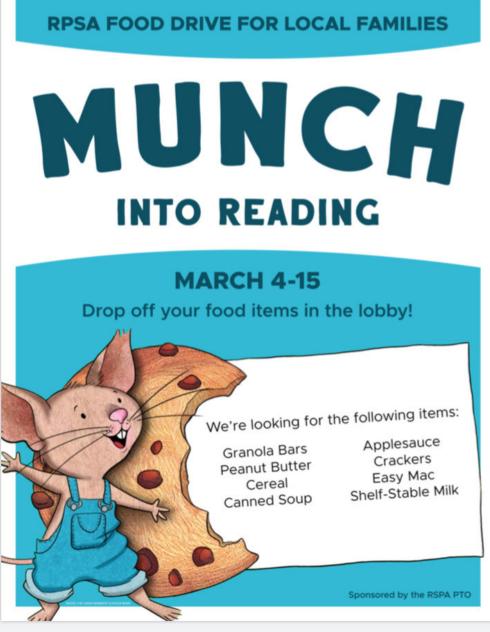
## Happy Early Release Wednesday!



Mrs. Bartell is so excited to be our Spring GOTR Coach! Join today by clicking on the image above!

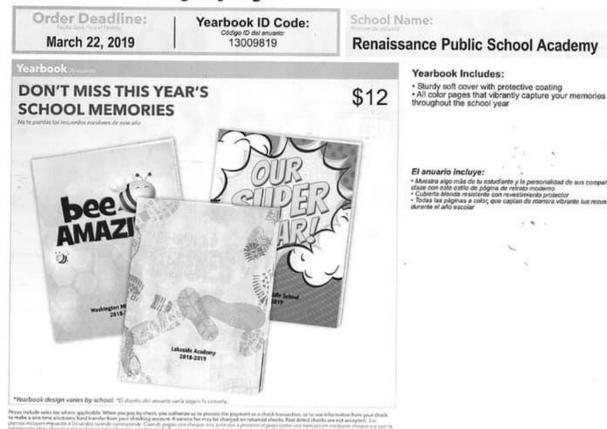


Thank you to all who have contributed to the food drive! We will be collecting through the end of this week! There is still time to donate!



## Order your yearbook today

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We have had such a generous amount of plastic water bottles donated that the art room is currently full and cannot take anymore right now.

Thank you all for donating.

# March is Reading Month!



## Renaissance Reading Month: March 2019

RAMS	Read!
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	Our Celebration of Reading Begins!!	5	6	7	Read across Michigan Day	9
10	11	Booknic 11:30 - 12:30	13	14	Readers Make Leaders	16
17	Read a hat, shirt, or button!	19	Learning Celebration for certain grades	21	Pajama and Flashlight Friday!	23
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We would like to thank all our families and friends who attended Booknic!



Whole class pictures were rescheduled for the 18th. You can still order one if needed. Please see office for the order form.



All Pro Dads breakfast is this Friday, March 15th! at 7am in the cafeteria

We hope to see you there!

### Preschool News

This week we had our 2nd week of clay exploration with REAL clay. It is a great hands on activity. We used sponges with water and our hands to smooth out the clay. Next step will be to make a plan and draw it out of what kind of statue/creation each child would like to make. We also read the book <a href="Chicka Chicka Boom Boom">Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</a> and the children created their own trees utilizing paper towel tubes, tongue depressors and letters. They worked on building a solid structure, balancing, and counting how many letters they could stack on top of their tree branches. With some frigid temps this week, we made the best of it inside. We had a bit of time in the afternoon and played some fun board games. The children really enjoyed tic tac toe, Zingo,

Connect 4, Candy land and Hi Ho Cherry-o.

-Mrs. Simon and Mrs. Binns

#### **REMINDERS:**

BRING ALL OF YOUR SNOW GEAR DAILY

\*March 13-14 no school for preschool-preschool parent teacher conferences

\*March 18 @1:30 Home Depot Building Project in class!!

\*April 4TH 530-630 PM Preschool Family Game night



## Kindergarten News

#### Literacy

Sight words:

go for

We are doing
activities with the -ed
word family:
red, bed, sled

#### Math

We are exploring numbers from 20-49 and counting by 10's to 100

#### Writing

Our writing is improving as we practice letters, words, and sentences. Labeling our pictures is also fun!

#### Social Studies

What is the difference between goods and services? We need money for both.

### \*Reminders & Events\* Spring Break March 25-29

Please remember to bring all your winter gear to school.

Snow pants and snow boots are necessary to play on the playground. Our playground stays snowy and muddy for a while. Spring will be here soon!

#### Think Spring





## Voyager Newsletter



#### **Academics:**

In math, our students will continue to work on money. Students will be able to name and give the denomination of coins and bills. They will also work on counting money.

In reading, our students will be working on character traits; they will recognize the traits of characters within text. Also, they will make note of how a character changes from beginning to the end of a text and what caused this change in character.

In science, students continue to work on our Light and Sound unit. Students are completing a light and sound project for our upcoming Learning Celebration.

In writing, our students are working hard on their information writing for this trimester. Students are working on their final drafts of their animal informational writing. Parents,

Here is to the hopes for a another full week of school and nicer winter weather. 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.

Thanks for your support!

D. R. E. A. M.

**Upcoming Events:** 

Friday, March 15: Readers Make Leaders

Monday, March 18: Read a hat, shirt or button

Wednesday, March 20: Voyager Learning Celebration 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Friday, March 22: Pajama & Flashlight Friday

March 25-29: Spring Break

### Voyager Learning Celebration



When: March 20th from 8:30-9:30

Where: Voyager classrooms

Things to ask your Voyager:

Ask your student to demonstrate how their device answers a yes or no question.

Ask a student if their device uses light, sound or both to answer the question.

Ask to see their informational book.



# Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

March 13, 2019 - March 20, 2019



### This VVeek's Learning

Literacy: Islanders are reading a variety of books to increase their fluency and vocabulary. Many have finished a book or two whose titles are now part of the Read-a-Pillar in the hallway. Good job Islanders!

Math: Later this week, students will begin an Area/Perimeter PBL project. To improve our life skills with money, consider having your child complete the \$ transaction next time you are at the store or restaurant.

Writing: Islanders are working hard to finish their informational book this week, so they can focus fully on writing their historical narrative for Social Studies.

Social Studies: Students are researching their area of focus for the living wax museum, writing a historical narrative and creating an invention to help the people of their chosen time period.

## Staying Up To Date

LEARNING CELEBRATION for ISLANDERS WILL BE APRIL 16 at 6:00PM.

- ALL students must arrive by 5:45.
- Your student will be sharing/presenting their living wax museum project. Informational books and Rube Goldberg projects will also be shared at this time.
- For more details see the letter that was sent to all Islander parents on Monday through Seesaw.

## Important Dates

Mar 15 - All Pro Dad Day (7am)

Mar 15 - CMU Med Students come to visit

Mar 21 - Impression 5 fleld trip ALL day

Mar 22 - Pajama and flashlight day

Mar 23–31 – Spring Break

April 16 at 6PM - ISLANDER LEARNING CELEBRATION and Living Wax Museum



#### **News and Events**

#### March 13th



All of our students have been working very hard and making major contributions to our Water Day event. We cannot believe that this event is one week from today!

Here is the Trailblazer's explanation of this event: Renaissance Water Day is about raising awareness about conserving water in and around the Great Lakes. When we think about the Great Lakes, we want to think of clear, pristine water, not water that is dirty, and filled with oil.

This event is about bringing different organizations together to talk water and spread the word: pollution in the Great lakes! From oil spills to lead poisoning, it seems that the bodies of water that are surrounding the upper peninsula and Michigan are falling apart. Come to this event and learn from experts: water is vital, so lets not abuse it. It starts at 10:00 and ends at Noon.

#### Middle School Happenings

March 13 - March 20

### Study Lab Tuesday and Thursday Schedule a Conference with Your Advisory Teacher

Math	English Language Arts	Science	Social Studies	
Mr. McCausey's classes have begun working on probability; specifically using Venn Diagrams to represent data.  Mr. Buzard is expecting to be out of the building from Thursday through next Wednesday due to the birth of his child! Students will be practicing solving systems of equations using the substitution method and the elimination method and will work on a practice PSAT test.	In Mrs. Liphard's classroom students will be focusing on a Book Commercial using Seesaw as their form of communication. Literature Booktalks will resume.  Ms. Hunter's classes are starting a ThinkCerca, wrapping up our argumentative writing unit, creating a book talk for Learning Celebration, and continuing independent reading with reading conferences.  In Resource room, we are using various reading strategies to help us comprehend the informational pieces we are reading.	The Science Classes are currently working on their Genetics Projects.	We are continuing our work on our Time Travel Empire Projects.  Projects are due March 20th where they will be presented at Learning Celebration.	
In Resource Room, students are working on one-step algebra expression and equations	In Resource Room Writing class, students are continuing to work on a Poetry unit.			

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Major Assignments, Assessments and Events		Study Lab Student Council	Early Release	Study Lab Student Council	

### A Thousand Paper Cranes







Renaissance Public School Academy students collaboratively created a thousand origami cranes to donate as a symbol of peace and hope.

According to the ancient Japanese legend, anyone who folds a thousand paper cranes will be granted a wish. Students at Renaissance were told the story of Sadako, a Japanese girl who died of leukemia ten years after the atomic bomb. The story goes that Sadako, believing the Japanese legend, kept folding cranes until she passed away in 1995. There is a memorial statue of Sadako in Hiroshima, and to this day, people all over the world send origami cranes as an action for world peace.

In response to this story, the students at Renaissance decided once they had made their thousand cranes, they would give them to a place in the community where people could enjoy their beauty and give hope.

## **Athletics**

#### Girls Basketball:

March 13, our "A" Team will travel to St. Mary in Big Rapids for a 6:30pm game.

March 14, our "A" Team will wrap up their regular season at home. They will play against St. Mary in a final push to be ready for the tournament.

#### March 16: MMSL Tournament

The league tournament will be held at Mackinaw Trail Middle School in Cadillac. The tournament will be begin at 10:30am. The bus will leave the school at 8:45am. The "A" Team Championship will be played at 10:30. The "B" brackets will be announced as soon as all regular season games have been played. Remember, all student-athletes will ride the bus to and from all events. If you would like to transport your child from the event, an approved transportation waiver is required. Please do not wait...have this done today.

#### **Banquet:**

The banquet date will be announced soon. Check the website often for any new announcements.

#### Senior Game Fundraiser:

On May 2, there will be a fundraiser basketball game, featuring 8th grade student-athletes and their families! The athletic department is excited about this event, as it promises to be a great way to send off our 8th grade student-athletes to bigger and better athletic prospects in their future. It should be a ton of fun! Check the website often for more details as they are worked out!