

Renaissance Report AUGUST 28, 2019

Welcome Back, RPSA Families!

IT IS GOING TO BE A GREAT YEAR!



2019-2020 School Year Calendar

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If you haven't already done so, please read the following family announcements that Mrs. Bergman sent out last week:

August Family Announcement

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Band Information:

Hello Band Families,

I am excited for another adventure teaching and learning during our year of band! This year it is my hope to both motivate and challenge our band students as we all work to be the best musicians we can be. If we ever need to make changes to the schedule I will communicate them at the earliest possible time through Seesaw, the school newsletter, and email.

Sincerely, Mr. Joel Wiseman jwiseman@renaissancepsa.com

> Middle School Band has already begun! Intermediate Band: Begins September 3rd. Beginning Band: Begins September 9th

EVENTS SCHEDULE:

December Concert: (All Bands, REQUIRED) December 19th 6:00pm

JH Solo and Ensemble (Middle school students only, optional): December 7th

JH All Star Band (Select Middle School students only, optional): April 18th and 19th

Spring Concert: (All Bands, REQUIRED): June 4th 6:00pm

RPSA BAND SCHEDULE:

Beginning Band: Mon - Friday 7:30 - 8:20

Intermediate Band: Mon - Friday 7:30 - 8:20

Middle school band: Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 12:10 - 1PM

Students attending Beginning and Intermediate Band are required to enter the building promptly at 7:30 when the front doors are unlocked. They will go directly to band class and be ready to play by 7:35. I encourage you to be early to avoid traffic in the parking lot.

Movement Lab

Movement Lab is being taught by Mrs. Bartell this year! Movement Lab is a program that combines exercise with reading and math lessons and movement activities to keep kids' brains and bodies active. After students are active, their brains are on fire and more prepared for learning. Each session will include a vigorous physical activity, stations and end with mindfulness.







Kindergarten News

Literacy

We are meeting the Zoo Phonics Zoo Animals. They will help us learn letter sounds.

Math

Making patterns and counting to ten. We are learning so much during Calendar time.

Writing

We will practice using our classroom tools: Markers, crayons, pencils, scissors

Science & Social Studies We will begin our book about our first week of kindergarten.

Reminders & Events

We have school Monday-Thursday this week! We have school Tuesday-Friday next week! Happy Labor Day Weekend! Let your teacher know if you are having any problems with Seesaw We are off to a TERRIFIC First week of school!



Voyager Newsletter

We have an exciting week planned for our students! Along with fun activities, we will be completing small assessments with your

child.

Parents.

Please remember to send a healthy snack and water bottle with your child each day to ensure they have the energy to learn throughout the day. Water bottles can stay at school.

Also, please ensure your child arrives at school with enough time to be in their classroom by 8:00 a.m. Thanks in advance.

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

Here is to a great year!



Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

August 28, 2019

This Week's Learning

Literacy: Students are beginning to review/learn about main idea, and do a book tasting with different genres. Islanders will explore their classroom libraries, and get a chance to visit the library to check out books.

Math: Islanders will do some fun number activities as well as jump into some basic review to get our brains going from summer!

Writing: Students will get the chance to do some creative writing this week and tell about their summer! We will also complete our pre-write for our first writing unit: Persuasive Writing.

Science: Islanders participated in their first project launch today! They got to rotate around the Islander pod and complete different activities for our unit: Structures and Information Processing! Students will start to learn about plant and animal structures in the following weeks!

Staying Up To Date

Happy First Weekl

- Islanders had their very first project launch today for our first science unit! Ask them about the activities they got to do!
- Thank you to all families for bringing in classroom supplies We appreciate you!
- <u>Don't Forget:</u>
 - P.E. shoes
 - SnackWater bottle
 - Recess attire (shoes, jackets, etc.)

Important Dates

<u>August 30th & September 2nd</u>-NO SCHOOL- Happy Labor Day Weekendl

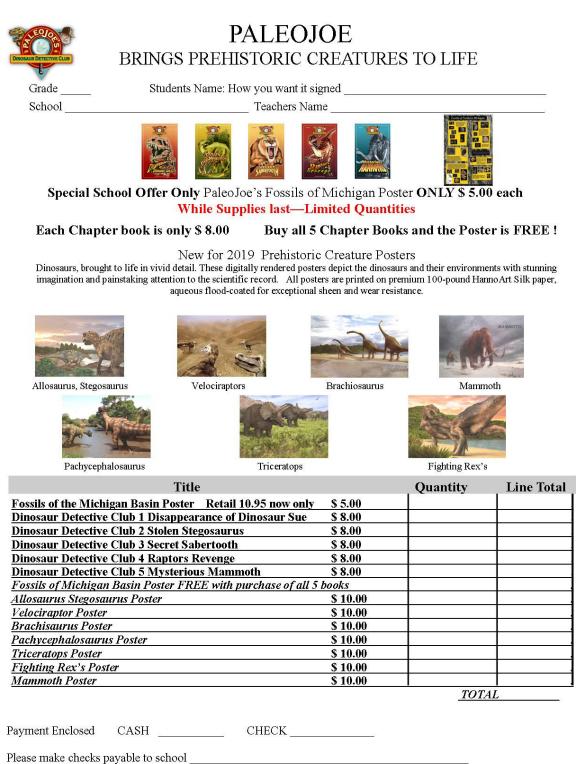
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Welcome Back!

The Trailblazers are having Paleo Joe come in the second week of school to kick off our history of the earth unit. He is also an author and will be selling copies of his books!



Please see the following info regarding his books.



Books by PaleoJoe

Come and discover *PaleoJoe's Dinosaur Detective Club*! Join PaleoJoe–a real paleontologist–as he takes you on Dinosaur mysteries and adventures around the world.

PaleoJoe's Dinosaur Detective Club chapter book series...

fantastic adventures that every boy and girl will love! These are page turning stories kids will devour while learning cool facts about their favorite dinosaurs. Teachers, librarians, and parents will also love the quality of the stories, written by PaleoJoe with his brilliant coauthor Wendy Caszatt-Allen.



DDC #1: The Disappearance of Dinosaur Sue

Eleven-year-old junior paleontologist Shelly Brooks helps PaleoJoe investigate the disappearance from Chicago's Field Museum of Dinosaur Sue, the most complete skeleton of a *Tyrannosaurus Rex* ever discovered.



DDC #2: Stolen Stegosaurus

Eleven-year-old junior paleontologist Shelly Brooks joins PaleoJoe on a dinosaur dig, this time joined by Shelly's "friend" Dakota Jackson. What could possibly go wrong? Find out if dinosaur thieves can get

away with stealing some of the rarest fossils ever found—*Stegosaurus* eggs.



DDC #3: Secret Sabertooth

PaleoJoe and the Dinosaur Detective Club follow clues to help their new friend Sarra find her missing brother and solve the mystery of a unique Sabertooth skull which leads them to La Brea tar pits.



DDC #4: Raptor's Revenge

PaleoJoe and his Dinosaur Detective Club encounter evil from PaleoJoe's past as one of his old adversaries reemerges to exact his revenge. Join PaleoJoe, Shelly and Dakota in their quest to save the Balboa Museum's greatest display ever, the Utah Raptor Claw.

NEW DDC #5: Mysterious Mammoths **NEW**

The Detective Club crew faces freezing temperatures and danger in Siberia. Join PaleoJoe, Shelly, Dakota and some new friends as they try to find one of the rarest fossil treasures in the world.

Renaissance Cross-Country

The Running Rams!

Any 5-8 grade students wanting to join CC must join and begin attending practices the first week of school. Students will not be allowed to join CC if they have not attended at least 1 practice PRIOR to September 3rd. All practices are mandatory beginning September 3rd.

The \$80 athletic fee is also due by September 3rd in order to partcipate in our first meet, 9/4/19.

ATHLETICS

Rams Cross Country September 4 @ 2019 Shepherd John Bruder Classic Shepherd High School Course Girls - 5:00 PM Boys - 5:20 PM Fun Run - 7:40 PM



Please visit www.renaissancepsa.com for our 2019 meet schedule!

Student Athletes (5th through 8th grade) who are interested in playing volleyball:



ATHLETICS

Attention Families: Please be aware of the new athletic changes that have taken place. <u>Athletic Handbook</u>

Please check the athletics page on the school's website often for announcements and information...schedules, forms, addresses, etc. It is all there! Go Rams!

