

Renaissance Report

SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

Parking Lot Safety

- For the safety and well being of all our students and family members at Renaissance, please remember the following expectations:
- Students must be dropped off in the right lane.
- Drop off may be anywhere between the two crosswalks.
- The doors open at 7:30am and school begins at promptly at 8am.
- Drivers should not be on cell phones while driving in our parking lot, as distracted driving causes unsafe conditions.

Visit: renaissancepsa.com & our Facebook page (Renaissance Public School Academy-Mount Pleasant) for more school related information!

Annual Fall Title 1 Parent Meeting

When: Thursday, October 4th at 7:30-8:00am in the Literacy Room What: This meeting is to inform ALL Renaissance parents of our Title 1 practices, as well as review and give input on the parent engagement policy and home-school compact. Please come and stay as long as your schedule allows.

Questions: Contact Mrs. Egloff at segloff@renaissancepsa.com



Our next PTO meeting is Tuesday, September 25 at 5:30. We have recently adopted the name "Rams PTO." We welcome any adult family member to join us! If you would like to receive our emails, send us (c/o Shelly Smith) a message at gowdysmith@gmail.com.

Reminder: all unsold Rams cards and money from sold cards due this Friday, 9/28/18. Thank you!

Box Tops:

The Parent Club is again collecting Box Tops for Education to earn money for various school events. You will see collection sheets coming home in Friday folders. Collecting Box Tops is easy and fun! Just cut them off of participating products, check the expiration date to make sure they are still valid and tape/glue them on the collection sheet. Please make sure to put your child's name and class name on each collection sheet. Completed forms can be turned in ANYTIME at the Parent Club corner by the front office or to your child's classroom. Loose Box Tops can also be submitted (just put them in a baggie or envelope). Thank you for supporting RAMS students!



TO BE JOYFUL, HEALTHY AND CONFIDENT!

We are excited to announce that Girls on the Run will be offered to girls in 3rd-5th grade this fall!

Practices will begin Tuesday, September 25.

Practices will be held right after school until 5PM.

To register, please click on the following link and search for Renaissance. Days and times will be found there:

www.gotrcentralmichigan.org

For questions about Girls on the Run of Central Michigan, contact GOTR:

M-F from 9:00am-4:00pm

Phone: 989-330-4085

Sam Jones, Executive Director:

director@gotrcentralmichigan.org

We're looking forward to another amazing GOTR season with RPSA!

*Scholarships are available







Join Girls on the Run at Renaissance!

Dates: September 25-December 6

Days/Time: T/Th 3:30-5 PM

Location: Renaissance Public School Academy

Cost: \$150--Program Fee Scholarships are available!

Register: Visit our website, www.gotrcentralmichigan.org

5K Celebration: Nov. 18 at Alma College, 12-2:30 PM

Preschool News

What a great 2nd week of school!

We had our first dance class this week with Mrs. Anderson. It was so great to see all of them so excited about dancing.

The kids have been forming friendships with each other. There has been a lot of talking and sharing ideas and finding common interests. We also had our first rain day, but that didn't stop preschool from going outside! We got to use our new Oaki rain suits and boots and went puddle jumping! Check out the school Facebook page for a video.

-Mrs. Simon and Mrs. Binns

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD COME TO SCHOOL IN LONG SOCKS(NOT ANKLE SOCKS) FOR DANCE CLASS ON TUESDAYS. THIS WILL HELP THEM WITH THE TAP SHOES AND BE MORE COMFORTABLE. THANK YOU!



Kindergarten News

Literacy

We are listening for beginning sounds of words. *Sight Words: I, like *Rhyming is fun and easy!

Math

*Numbers to 6

*One-to-one
counting

*Same and
different

Writing

We are using big and little curves, big and little lines to help us write letters: F, E, D, P, B, R, N and M

Social Studies UNIT

How can I show that I care for others?

Reminders & Events

*THANKS FOR SENDING A SNACK MON., TUES., THURS., AND FRIDAY
*WATCH THE WEATHER SO THAT YOUR CHILD IS DRESSED APPROPRIATELY FOR
RECESS. WE WILL BE GOING OUTSIDE UNLESS IT IS RAINING.
THANK YOU!

Happy Fall





Voyager Newsletter



Academics:

In math, our students will be working on place value in the tens, hundreds, thousands and ten thousands.

In reading, our students will be working on fiction story structure; characters, setting, problem, solution and summary.

In social studies, our students are working on Core Democratic Values and how the 7 Habits of Great Leaders helps our community.

In writing, our students will be writing a persuasive piece. This writing will tie into our social studies unit and how to ensure the greater good for all in our community.

Fall is upon us and the weather can be very tricky. Please ensure your child has at least a sweatshirt or light jacket. We have had many students state that they don't have a jacket and are cold outside when out for recess.

Thanks for your help!

Upcoming Events:

No School October 1st

NWEA Testing Begins Oct. 2nd

**Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest so they may be well rested and do their very best work!

Classroom News

Renaissance Islanders

September 24th-28th



This Week's Learning

Literacy: Ask your Islander about the Mentor Sentences we have been working on and the different read-alouds!

Math: Place value and rounding

Writing: The Islanders will continue their first writing unit this week!

Science: Students have been preparing for their first informal Wonder Workshop presentation. This is over a topic they know very well. We look forward to watching them present for the first time!

Staying Up To Date

- Please sign up for SeeSaw if you haven't already!
- Máke sure all of your important paperwork is turned into the office!
- Students are more than welcome to log into ST Math at home! The link is on our RPSA homepage!

Important Dates

- Guests from CMU
 Meterology Club will be
 visiting our classrooms this
 Friday, the 28thl
- No School: Monday, October 1stl
- NWEA testing begins soon!



Week at a Glance

Sep. 24 - Sep. 28



ZIIBIWING CENTER FIELD EXPERIENCE

MONDAY - NIX/WHITMAN TUESDAY - SNYDER/BARTELL

This experience coincides with our PBL unit on Early Native American Cultures and Regions.

MATH	-Place values with decimals -Adding and Subtracting Integers -Ask your child which topic they are working on.
PBL	Social Studies - European Explorers of North America
READING	Inspirational people and practicing annotating text

IMPORTANT DATES:

10/1 - No school for students. Teacher PD Day 10/3 - 10-5 - CAMP HARTLEY!



CAMP HARTLEY DAYS ARE COMING UP QUICKLY! If you have any missing paperwork, please get it in.

REMINDER:

On 10/5 we are back at RPSA around 11:30. It is expected that your child is picked up at that point. They will be tired from their amazing trip and will be excited to share their experiences with you!

This is always an amazing time for our kids. We are looking forward to our time at camp!





Middle School Happenings September 24th-28th

Math	English Language Arts	Science	Social Studies
Mr. McCausey's Math students are wrapping up their work with signed integers. They will have their first assessment soon, and students should be asking questions, if needed. Mr. Buzard's Math class is currently working on turning fractions into decimals, estimating irrational roots, and being able to compare and order rational and irrational numbers. We should be assessing on this material next week.	In ELA, students are reading their Independent Reading Books. They were introduced to a group project that they will start Friday. Students will be sorting books and short paragraphs by genres. In Writing, students should be finishing up their research and beginning their introduction paragraph.	Students will be working on the "ins and outs" of microscopes. They will also be exploring the "Organelle Trail"	In social studies, we have finished up our short research projects on Stone Age tools. We will be moving into the Agricultural Revolution this coming week. Students have begun brainstorming ideas for our Museum Night project!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Major Assignment, Assessments and Events	Volleyball @ St. Peter A & B		Early Release Cross-Country @ Oiler Invite	Volleyball @ St. Ann (Cadillac)	

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Cross-Country:

The cross-country team has two meets next week:

Wednesday, September 26, at the Oiler Invite here in Mt. Pleasant. Our Running Rams will take on the course at 4:00pm

Saturday, September 29, at the Warrior Middle School Invitational in Remus. The Rams will be at the Chippewa Hills High School course, which is across the road from the school. The action takes place at 11:00am.

Volleyball:

We will see volleyball action taking place on two occasions next week: Monday, September 24, at St. Peter in Big Rapids. Both of our divisions will travel to take on the Raiders. Action begins at 5:30pm. Thursday, September 27, at St. Ann in Cadillac, our "B" division Rams will be in action to take on St. Ann. Action is set for 5:30pm

Volunteers:

A reminder to scholarship athletes: Volunteers are needed to work at home athletic events. Volleyball sign-up sheets are posted outside the gym. Feel free to put your name on the list and volunteer to help out at a Rams home event soon. We always appreciate your support!

Boys Basketball & Cheerleading:

We are getting closer and closer to beginning these two sports! If you plan on playing, then you need to get your physical. You can do that anytime...why wait? Get your physical today.

The Informational Meeting will be scheduled soon! Keep on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks! Go Rams!

Specials and Enhancements



Reading Rams!

We've had such a great start to the school year at the library!
After only three weeks, students have already checked out
1200 books! It's wonderful to see the excitement and
enthusiasm about reading
throughout the school.

The library is open for browsing and checking out materials every school day starting at 7:30am. New books are arriving at the library all the time. Please let Mrs. Doyle know if there are any books your student would like to read, and we'll make sure to get them for the library right away.

Happy Reading, Rams!















