



C-A Middle School Good News - October 2023



Fifth Grade's Rotary Club Student of the Month - Ryan Patterson

Ryan is one of the sweetest students I have ever had. He smiles and says good morning to me everyday. Ryan is kind to his peers and shows respect in all settings.

Ryan is self directed, motivated to learn and actively engaged even when things are challenging. He is the first one to jump in with helping take care of our classroom community.

Ryan is going to do great in 5th grade this year and I am so proud to be his teacher!

JUST AN FYI:



**PICTURE RETAKE / ABSENTEE DAY
WILL BE**

Wednesday, November 8th

You can order on mylouchtouch.com with the
Picture Day ID: EVTCX7HC8



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The 7th and 8th graders participated in Human Bingo for Mix it Up Day. This game required students to interact with each other to find out who met the criteria for each square (i.e., find someone who is left-handed).



NOW POSTED ON WEB - MS STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student announcements are now on a running document and are posted on the middle school web page so parents can access.



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The Chess Club had its first meeting on September 22nd. The Chess Club meets every other Friday and all are welcome to join!

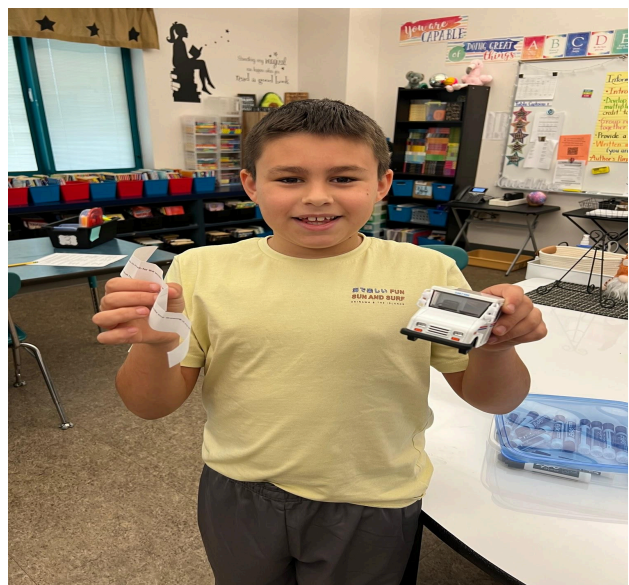
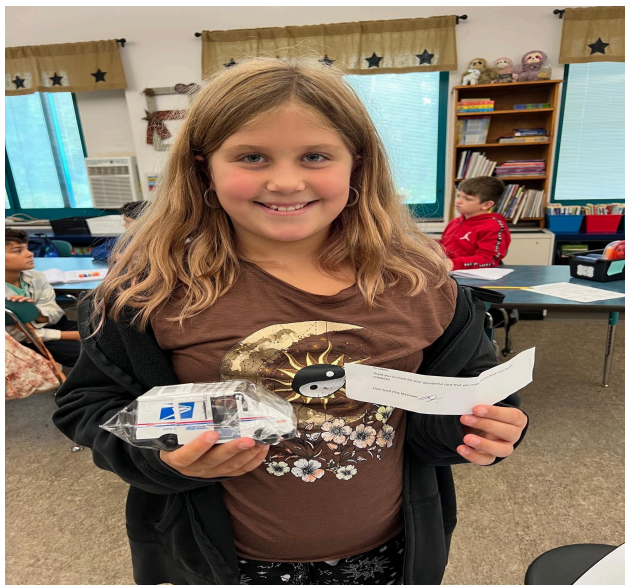
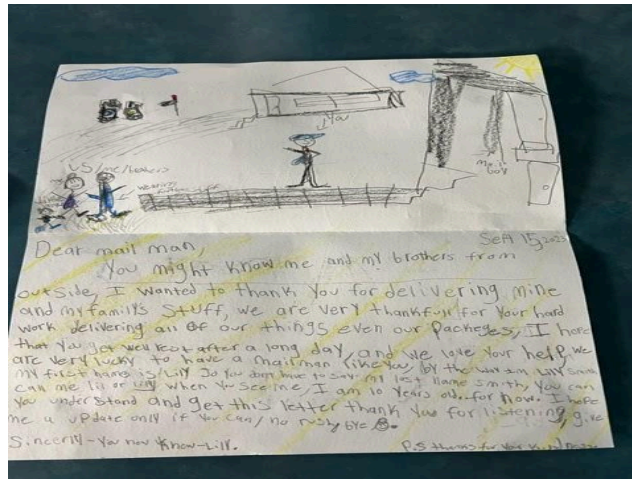


Ms. Schultz met with the grade 6 students to share information about the upcoming Unity Day celebration on October 18th. The classes discussed bullying, how each of us could support students and then created a grade level mosaic where each student listed something unique or special about them. The mosaic has been hung in the 6th grade hallway.





Mrs. Sunkes' Humanities Class read the book, "Sincerely Emerson," written by Emerson Weber. It is the story of a little girl that made a card for her mail carrier during the Covid-19 Pandemic. He was so happy to receive her card that he shared it with his postal carriers and it then went viral across social media. In her card she wrote a joke and a P.S. that said that she loved Taylor Swift. Taylor got word and sent her a special wax stamp to use on her future cards. The students in Mrs. Sunkes' class determined that the author's purpose was that a little bit of kindness goes a long way. The students made cards for their mail carriers and guess what? Some of them heard back and even received special messages and gifts.





As part of 5th grade wellness day, students learned about Unity Day and about standing up to bullying. Each student completed a piece of the rainbow mosaic which is proudly displayed in the 5th grade hallway.



The Secret Agents of Kindness Club met on 9/29 and made plans for the 2023-2024 school year. Ideas discussed include birthday cards for students and staff, making cookies for the teachers, picking up trash around the playground areas, positive locker animal cards and a kindness duck hunt (where students would turn in ducks for a kindness bracelet). After brainstorming, we played a few rounds of Happy Salmon. The card game was a hit!



The 6th Grade Scientists have been SO BUSY!!!!

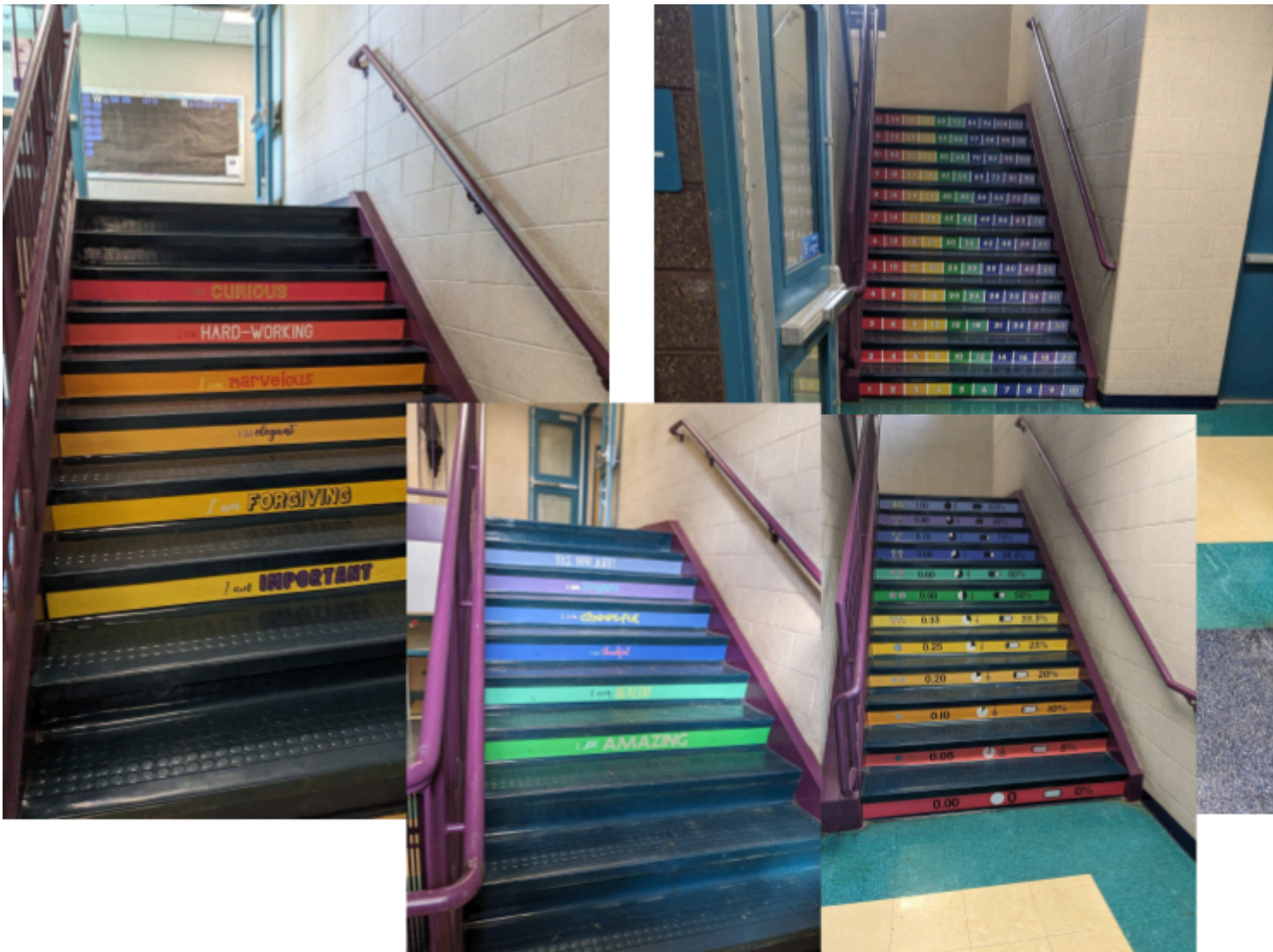
- 1. Mystery Bag Observations - We used our powers of observation (sight, smell, sound, touch) to identify various mystery objects. Students also practiced using descriptive scientific adjectives.**
- 2. Coxsackie Riverside Park Field Trip - We practiced our skills of estimation and metric measurement using the Hudson River fish etched into the park sidewalks.**
- 3. Siuslaw Model Forest - 6th Grade Scientists went on a nature scavenger hunt, learned about the power of water and flood plains, experimented with how to best filter muddy water, learned about plant anatomy and food webs and identified animals based on their skulls and pelts.**
- 4. Bubble Lab - So many challenges here. We continued to apply our measurement skills as we created the perfect bubble solution with a magical ratio of water, dish detergent and corn syrup. Scientists cooperated with one another and collaborated as they measured volume, blew bubbles and recorded data.**



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Becky Faller wrote a CAFE grant last year to add some color to our stairwells! The stair risers have math facts and positive affirmations on them to inspire students and help them be successful in math through exposure and review.





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**Mrs. Collier's
Reading Class**

**6th graders
enjoying time
working outside in
the beautiful
October weather**



UPCOMING EVENTS: (as of 10/13/2023)

- 10/18 Unity Day 2023
- 10/19 BOE Meeting, EJA 6:30 p.m.
- 10/19 & 10/20 6th gr. Five Rivers Trip, 9:15-1:15
- 10/20 **CANCELED** ~~5th grade field trip to Ndakinna Education Center~~
- 10/23-27 RED RIBBON Week --Be Kind to Your Mind
- 10/26 Big Apple Crunch Day
Fitness Club Trip to Thatcher Park
- 10/27 Black Cat Carnival - during the school day
- 10/27 Proctors on the Go: Shakespeare Remix -Grades 7 & 8. 9:00 – 10:05am
- 10/31 Halloween

- 11/1 Sports Physicals @ 9:00, HS nurse office