

DIXON PUBLIC SCHOOLS #170

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BUILDING REPORTS – Jan. 13, 2021 Board meeting

Events/activities at Reagan Middle School

January Student of the Month

Aaron Conderman



Student Council –

In December, Student Council members wrote thank you letters to the Dixon Community Trust for purchasing the chrome book bags. Student Council also presented Mrs. Able and Ms. Whitcombe with gifts as they were chosen by the students as the November and December Staff Members of the Month.

Builders Club –

Builders Club members rang the bell for the Salvation Army at Oliver's on December 18th from 9am until 4pm. They also joined in a Random Acts of Kindness Challenge throughout December. Members made goodies for elderly neighbors, left surprise gifts for postal workers, painted kindness rocks to leave in random locations, paid for meals, made cards, donated to the homeless, etc. over their winter break.



RMS Family and Community Engagement Committee -

Career Exposition on Wednesday, January 6th: Sarah Partington – SVCC Student Recruiter

Science -

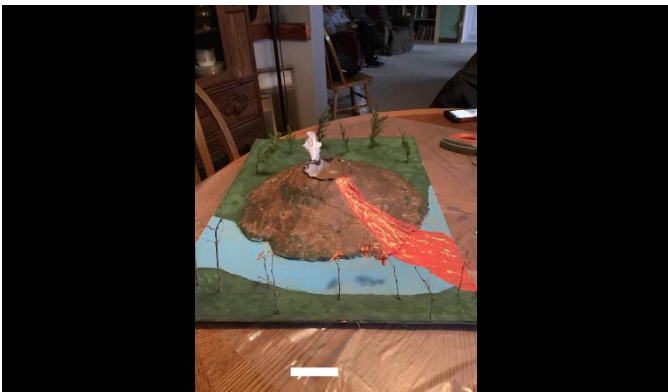
6th Grade Science Teachers (Mrs. Reul and Mrs. Abell) had the students do a really cool volcano project. After they researched the different types of volcanoes each student was provided salt dough to create a 3D model of the type of volcano they researched.



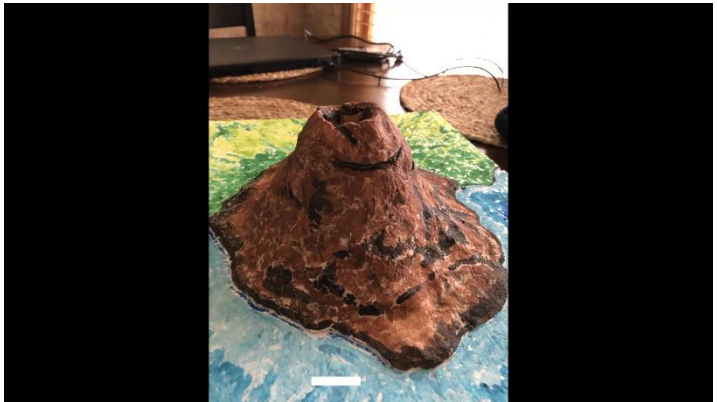
Briella S



Jake Z



Mark Y



Joel W

Art -

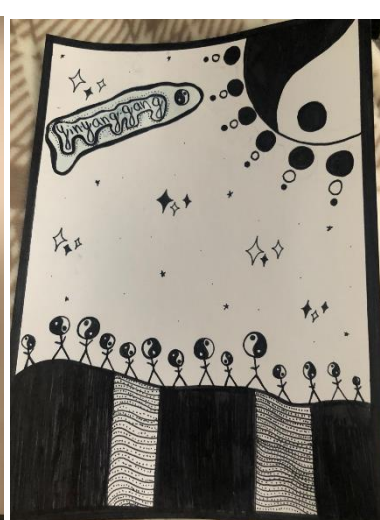
Here's what our talented 8th graders did during the adaptive pause. Photos of all work are courtesy of RMS students. The project was to have each student envision themselves as a professional, working artist who had just been hired by a record label to design/illustrate an original cover design for a music album.



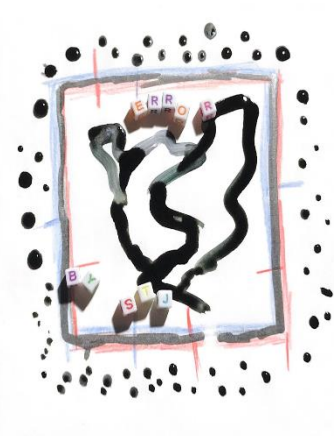
Ava Pazera



Grace Shoemaker-Fenwick



Arielle Rockwood



Kyleigh Mattson



Ryan Walker



Sarah Messer

Events/activities at Madison School

We are so happy to have our students back!

It has been a busy first week back and we are so happy to see our students back in person! I've included just a small sample of the many great things occurring with our students and teachers!

Students creating winter themed art in their classrooms

Although students do not start formal art classes until 6th grade, our teachers provide art in the classrooms and allow their creativity to shine!



(A student in Mrs. Partington's class works on a winter themed painting)

Students learn music concepts through hands on time with ukuleles!

Our students have been working hard to master the basics of the ukulele learning many valuable music concepts while having a great time. They are starting to sound pretty good!



(Mrs. Lauer's class strums away as Mrs. Angle observes and helps with technique)

Physical Education continues to keep students active and safe!

Mr. Thorpe and Mrs. Bond continue to be creative to keep p.e. fun, safe, and active. Below, students participate in a socially distanced game of hockey honing their hand eye coordination trying to score a goal with multiple pucks while staying in their designated spots.



Students continue to be helpful and do a great job with procedures!

Students are doing a great job following the lead of staff to keep everyone safe and minimize the spread of COVID. Below, students enjoy breakfast in a socially distanced space in our converted computer lab.



Students continue to receive extra help during WIN times to close the gap!

Although students have missed a lot of instruction due to quarantines and other circumstances beyond their control, they are working hard to close the gap and catch up their learning with the grade level standards. Below, students work hard in small groups within Title 1.





Students enjoying the winter weather!

Although it has been cold and gray, students have been enjoying time outside playing with each other!



CLEAR training and consultation continue

All staff will participate in another training with our CLEAR consultant, Dr. Beth Cunningham on Thursday, January 14th. Dr. Cunningham also consulted with our team on the needs of multiple students during the remote pause who have been struggling emotionally and behaviorally. We are grateful for her support as we continue to strive to help students thrive at school during these difficult times!



(CLEAR consultant, Dr. Beth Cunningham)

Student engagement continues during the remote pause

Our data on student and parent engagement with at home learning is below:

Seesaw engagement for the month of December:

13,287 posts added by teachers

14,787 comments made on student work

31,093 likes of student work

11,044 visits by family

372/378 connected families

Zoom engagement of students remains high with students attending live core instruction with their classroom teacher, music/p.e. for specials, and help sessions with classroom, Title 1, and special education teachers.

Events/activities at Jefferson School

See attached pdf.

Events/activities at Washington School

CLEAR Social Emotional Program:

Dr. Beth Cunningham is a Clinical Psychologist, from Florissa, that has been trained by CLEAR to provide Washington and Madison Schools a variety of Social Emotional supports throughout the school year and beyond. Dr. Cunningham will provide a one hour training with all Washington certified and non-certified staff on January 21st. Dr. Cunningham also will conduct consult sessions with staff on various students' issues on January 7th and 21st. This ongoing student/staff training, and consultation, will continue in February.

Upcoming Staff Trainings

My Math Training will occur January 15th and February 3rd during the District's School Improvement Days. The My Math series has been used by K-5 teachers for a number of years. Staff will learn about updates to this series and any technology improvements.

Registered Students:

- 77 Pre-K students have registered (40 remote and 37 blended)
- 147 Kindergarten students registered (34 remote and 113 blended)
- 167 1st Grade students registered (49 remote and 118 blended)
- Kindergarten class average is 19 students for blended classrooms
- Kindergarten class average is 17 students for remote classrooms
- 1st Grade class average is 20 students for blended classrooms
- 1st Grade class average is 16 students for remote classrooms

SeeSaw Communication Data up to December 10, 2020:

- 82,231 Posts Added
- 13,585 Comments made on student work
- 30,771 Likes of Students Work
- 15,159 Visits by Family Members
- 428 Guardians are connected to SeeSaw