

# MJS Weekly Update

January 15, 2021

Dear MJS Community,

I wanted to thank our parent and student community for joining us in working so diligently to communicate absences, share and follow quarantining guidelines, and have our students learn remotely when it benefits the greater study body at large. Your partnership in this endeavor, which is new to all of us, has made all the difference. We have proven this year that together is better.

## **Group Projects**

Please know that when MJS teachers assign any group project, we intend to have all work be done virtually. We will never ask students to join together to work outside of school in person; we strive to help you maintain social distancing protocols and want to help students and their families maintain healthy social bubbles. If you should have any questions about student work, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

## **Upcoming Student Activities**

Please be sure to check out the upcoming MJS student activities below. Our spring sports season is hosting signups for boys and girls lacrosse and girls softball. And signups for our spring musical are taking place now!

*Brooke Phillips*

Acting Principal

Madison Junior School

[phillipsb@madisonnjps.org](mailto:phillipsb@madisonnjps.org)



MJSAO Lacrosse and Softball Sign Ups

The Madison Junior School Athletic Organization will be offering Boy's/Girl's Lacrosse and Girl's Softball which runs from March to May 2021. Please visit our website ([www.mjsdodgers.org](http://www.mjsdodgers.org)) to register your child and complete the health forms required for participation. The health forms need to be turned in to Nurse Skordinsky.

Please reach out to Matt Rossi ([admadisonjuniorschool@gmail.com](mailto:admadisonjuniorschool@gmail.com)) with any questions or for more information. Please note the MJS Basketball and Volleyball programs will NOT be running this winter.

*Thank You, Cookie Bakers!*



THE PTO WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE BAKERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE WONDERFUL HOLIDAY COOKIE TROLLEY AT MJS.

AND THE MJS STAFF AND FACULTY SEND A **BIG THANK YOU** AS WELL - AFTERNOON COOKIES MAKE OUR DAY!

## MEF Corner

**Looking for a cozy way to celebrate Valentine's Day this year?**

**Let MEF Deliver Date Night to your Door!** This delicious night for a great cause will feature fresh Italian food from PastaBox, clean-crafted wine from Scout & Cellar, and an entertaining and educational virtual class about the art of Italian cooking and wine. Surprise your partner or gift a friend. Place your order(s) [HERE](#). #MEFDateNight



**It's not too late to register for the MEF Scavenger Hunt on January 23rd!** Prizes for the first five

We're incredibly proud of our **Fall 2020 Grant Cycle** featuring 11 programs totaling \$24K that promote diversity and add enrichments in STEAM, literacy, and more. Even as our teachers continue to navigate remote learning and the pandemic, they are still dreaming big, and we're thrilled to support them. Read about the new grant cycle [HERE](#). See a full list of all MEF grants awarded in 2019-2020 [HERE](#).

**Let the Madison Education Foundation  
Deliver Date Night To Your Door!**



This delicious night features fresh Italian food from PastaBox, clean-crafted wine from Scout & Cellar, and an entertaining and educational virtual class about the art of Italian cooking and wine.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2021**

**\$125 per couple**

**Place your order(s) at [www.mefnj.org](http://www.mefnj.org).**

**Madison & Harding delivery only.**

**Proceeds benefit MEF and support Madison Public Schools.**



## 8th Grade Parent - Live Q & A with the High School

8th Grade Parent Night was held virtually this year with pre-recorded informational videos posted on the Madison High School website. Please click this link to view the letter from Principal Dreschel and videos

(<https://www.madisonpublicschools.org/article/379994?org=mhs>)

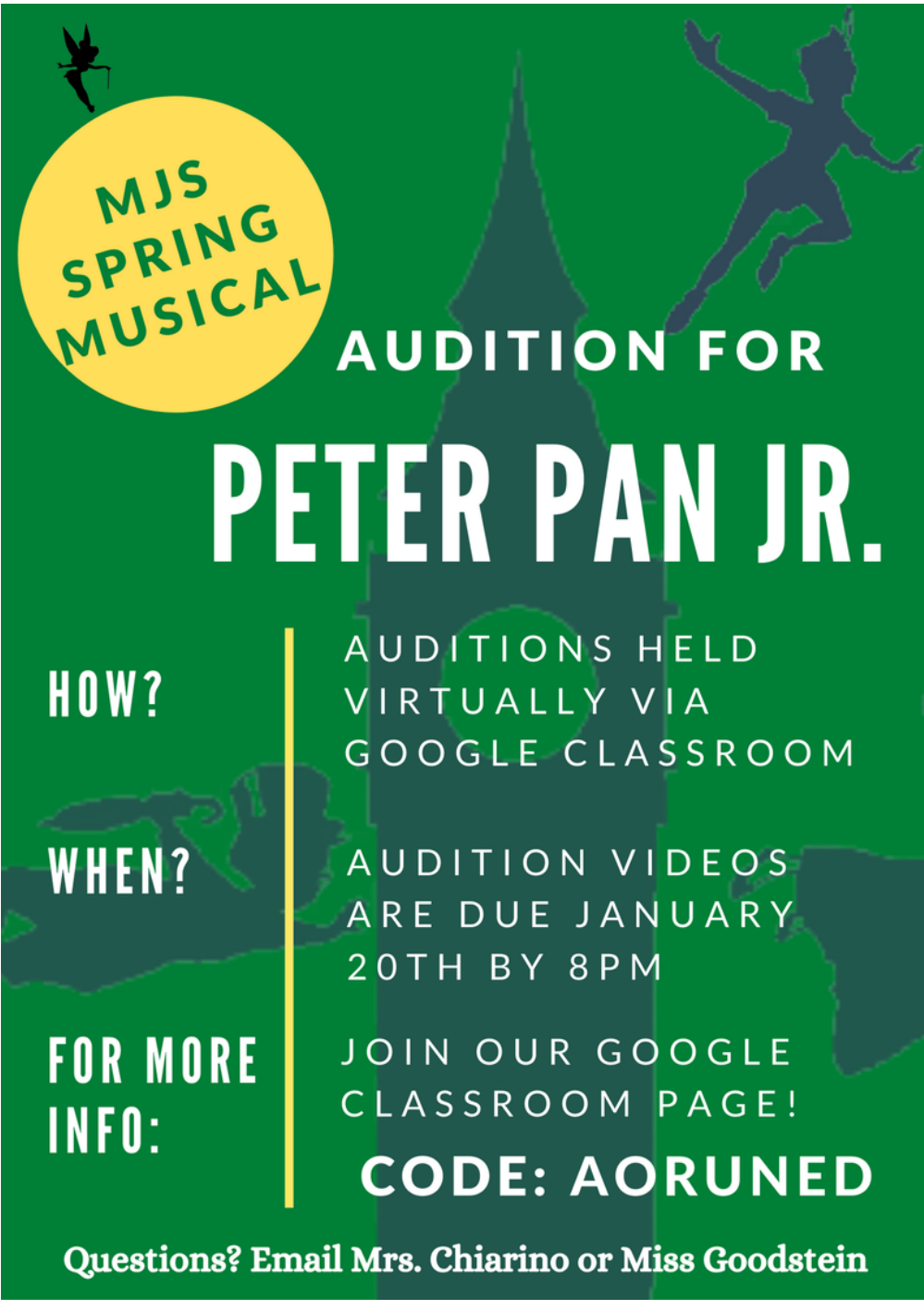




There is a follow-up, live Q&A over Zoom this Wednesday, January 20th at 7:00 pm. The Zoom link will be emailed to all eighth-grade parents and posted on the Madison High School and Madison Junior School website News Feed.



Auditions for the Spring Musical, Peter Pan will be held virtually this year! The show will be presented outdoors at MJS on April 30th and May 1st. Students who are interested should join our Google Classroom for more information. The code is: aoruned



**MJS  
SPRING  
MUSICAL**

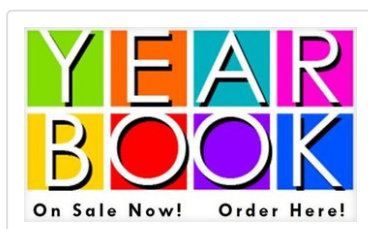
**AUDITION FOR  
PETER PAN JR.**

**HOW?** AUDITIONS HELD  
VIRTUALLY VIA  
GOOGLE CLASSROOM

**WHEN?** AUDITION VIDEOS  
ARE DUE JANUARY  
20TH BY 8PM

**FOR MORE  
INFO:** JOIN OUR GOOGLE  
CLASSROOM PAGE!  
**CODE: AORUNED**

**Questions? Email Mrs. Chiarino or Miss Goodstein**



## YEARBOOK ORDERS & 8th GRADE RECOGNITION ADS

Attention all MJS parents and guardians!

Yearbooks are now available for preorder online. The flyer for information about how to order is attached below! All yearbooks must be ordered online at [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com).

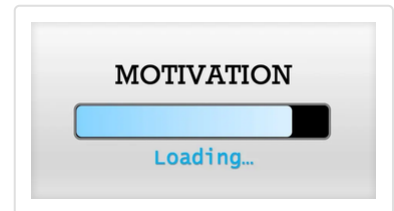
[Click here for a PDF with more information](#) about ordering yearbooks.

8th Grade Recognition Ads are also available for purchase through February 1. Please see the attached flyer for information about how to place a recognition ad in the yearbook for your 8th-grade student. [Click here for a PDF with more information.](#)

Sincerely,  
MJS Yearbook Advisors  
Mr. E and Mrs. Young

## MJS Wellness Corner

2021 is now well underway, but the challenges of 2020 linger. While the new year brings hope for better days, managing stress, and maintaining motivation can be a continued struggle. For students, staying motivated and engaged in remote/hybrid learning may be particularly difficult. [Click here](#) for useful tips and strategies to support students' learning and overall wellness.



## MJS THIS WEEK

Monday 1/18 **No School**

Tuesday 1/19 **B Gold**

Wednesday 1/20 **B Maroon**

Thursday 1/21 **B Maroon**

Friday 1/22 **A Gold**





Alex Patel



Nolan Flanagan



Amelie Talinder





Julia Kass



Dylan Staar



Rosemary Kupper



Christopher Wu



Drew Davis



Ella Jones





# Welcome to Sora!



## What Sora is:

- An app where you can read library books on any device (ebooks, audiobooks, graphic novels, etc.)

## Log in:

1. Go to ClassLink (under madisonnjps.org bookmarks).
2. Sign in with Google.
3. Click on the Overdrive (Sora) icon (pictured above).

## Add more Libraries (New Jersey Schools Shared Collection & eLibrary NJ):

- Click the down arrow next to Madison Public Schools
- Search for the collection and click "This is my school."
- Browse and search **all** collections for thousands of books!

## Browse and check out books:

- Browse by: available now, popular subjects, new additions, most popular, etc., or search multiple libraries
- Click on a book. Read a sample, borrow the book, or put it on hold (if it is currently being read by another student).
- Books remain on your device for 2 weeks, or you can return them when you are done.

## Access Sora from any device:

1. Download the Sora app. Enter the code **mpsnj**.
2. Select "sign in with Google" and enter your email address & password.

*Special thanks to the MEF for their generous support!*



## HW Calendars

[6A Homework Calendar](#)

[6B Homework Calendar](#)

[6th Grade Periods 789](#)



## HW Calendars

[7A Homework Calendar](#)

[7B Homework Calendar](#)

[7th Grade Periods 789](#)



## HW Calendars

[8A Homework Calendar](#)

[8B Homework Calendar](#)

[8th Grade Periods 789](#)

## MJS Link Bank

[MJS Bell Schedule](#)

[MJS Yearly Calendar - A/B Days - Color Cohort Days](#)

[MJS Morning Announcements](#)

[MJS Archive of Updates & Newsletters](#)

## Upcoming Dates

January 18 - No School - Martin Luther King Day

January 20 - 8th Grade Parent Night Live Q&A via Zoom 7:00 pm (hosted by MHS)

January 29 - End of Second Marking Period

February 1 - Third Marking Period begins

February 5 - Report cards available in Parent Portal

## I'd like to know about...

Please feel free to use this [Feedback Link](#) to ask Ms. Phillips to include certain information in a future update. It's helpful to know what you would like to learn more about.