

MJS Update

September 16, 2022

Dear MJS Community,

Back to School Night

We look forward to welcoming our families to MJS next Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 pm for BTSN 2022. Parents and guardians will get to see all their children's teachers and get a peek into their child's day by traveling their full-day schedule.

Next Thursday afternoon, your child will bring home a paper schedule for you to follow, starting with a 6:30 pm welcome in the auditorium. The schedule provides directions on where to go for Periods 1-8 and offers choices when they are available.

Don't worry if your child's schedule doesn't make it home - our Homeroom/Advisory teachers have an extra copy waiting for you in their room! You just need to know which room or teacher your child has for Homeroom. See you Thursday.

Start Strong Testing

Start Strong testing takes place Monday (Math) and Tuesday (English) for grades 6 through 8, and on Thursday for grade 6 only (science.) Students should report at the regular time, 7:50am, and we will run a delay opening schedule that includes regular lunch periods. Please have your child bring a charged Chromebook, their charger, and earbuds or headphones that plug into the Chromebook.

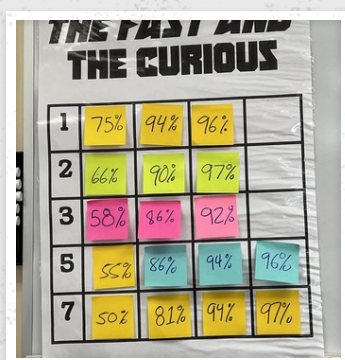
Parents & Guardians - We Need Your Help

During these first three weeks of school, we noticed a dramatic increase in gum chewing by our students. With this uptick in gum use, we find chewed gum being placed in disrespectful places - on door handles, walls, chairs, and stair railings. Please help us by talking with your child about our no-gum school policy and asking them to save gum for outside the school building. We are hopeful that by not permitting gum, we can proactively help our students be thoughtful citizens and keep our building and grounds clean.

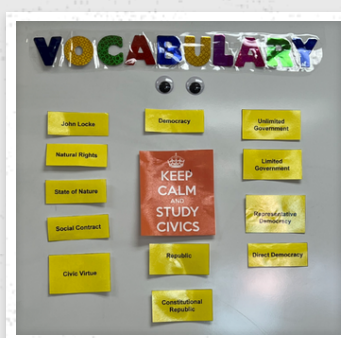
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Window TO LEARNING AT MJS

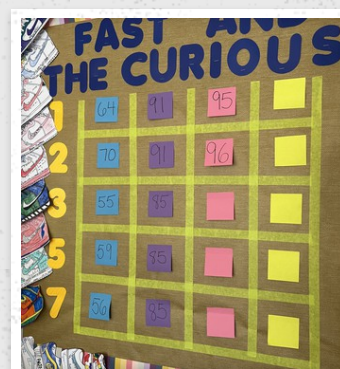
6th Grade Social Studies



Mr. Finkelstein's and Mrs. Tobia's 6th-grade social studies classes are learning vocabulary in a unique way this year, it's called the Fast & The Curious!



Rather than memorizing their vocabulary words for each unit, students will explore meanings and use them throughout the week, taking check-in assessments via games and activities.



We can see from the growth in average accuracy scores that using words in exploratory ways is a great strategy to learn new vocabulary!

MJS Library



Librarian Mrs. Bessin met in the library with English and Reading Cycle classes to welcome our students to the MJS Library.

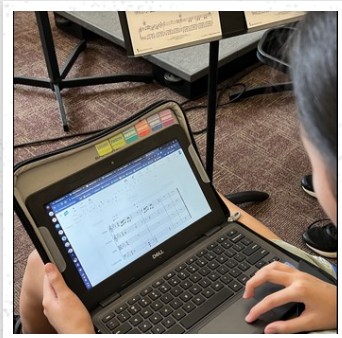


Our library is open to students to check out books, and our teachers can move their classes into the library to learn amongst the shelves of books in this beautiful space.

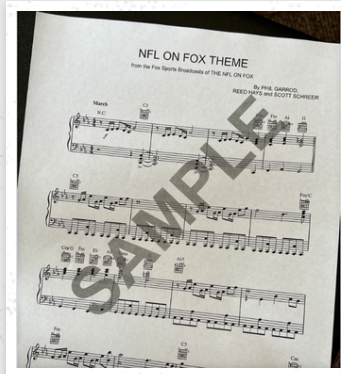


After learning how to search for titles online and self-check out books, students got to enjoy their choices!

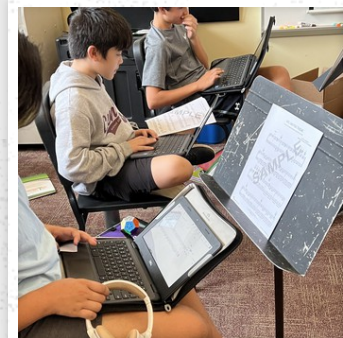
Orchestra Music Theory Cycle



Students are creating original music scores during their Orchestra Cycle Class.



Students get to pick which songs they want to explore, and then create the score for the musical instrument of their choice using the online platform Note Flight.



This week students were creating original scores from the FOX Sunday NFL Sunday football theme we've all come to know!

Italian



[Click here](#) to listen to students perform *L'alfabeto Italiano*, the Italian Alphabet Song.

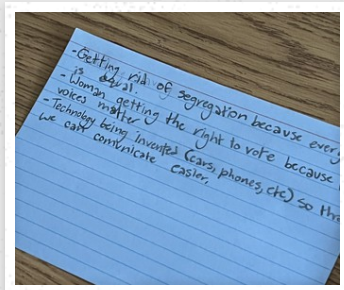


Novice Italian students are getting a kick start on their practice of Italian through music. Students are learning about the alphabet and the culture of Italian music through a variety of songs with Signora DeFresco.



Listen to students perform *Volare*, which means the verb 'fly' in Italian. [Click here](#).

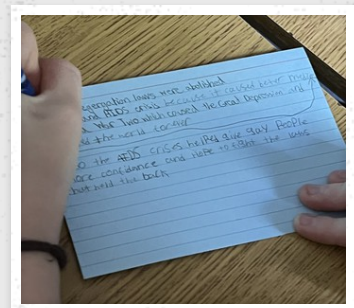
8th Grade Social Studies



8th-grade social studies students previewed their year to come with a brainstorming activity. Students were asked what their group felt were the three most impactful historical events in the last 100 years that they might be studying this year.



What events would you have guessed our curriculum covers?



This year Mrs. Ferris' and Mr. Millichap's 8th-grade social studies students will cover three impactful events - World War II, The Cold War, and 9/11. Did you guess



Care Plus Wellness Corner

September is Self-Care Awareness Month. Even though we're already in the middle of the month, it's not too late to start a self care routine. Self care anything that promotes our own physical, emotional, psychological or spiritual well-being. It looks different from one person to the next; it doesn't have to

take a long time, be demanding or expensive. What does matter is that whatever you choose, should make you feel good or relaxed. What self care habits will you practice?

PICTURE DAY IS COMING

MJS
Wednesday,
September 21,

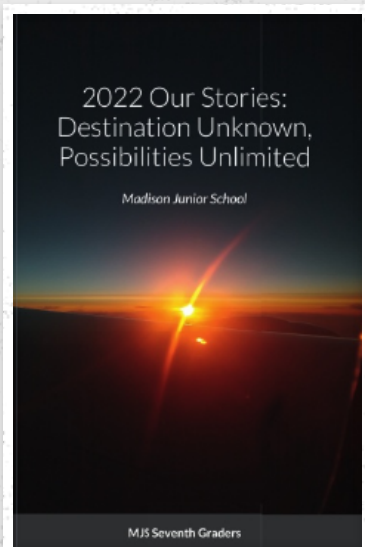


Order online at

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**with your Student's School ID or
Picture Day ID: EVTZN47ZR**

Click this photo to be taken to the website



Attention 8th Grade Families

It's here and it's gorgeous! Get your copy of *2022 Our Stories: Destination Unknown, Possibilities Unlimited* memoir anthology book. Priced at \$8.60 plus shipping, it's a 460 page peek inside the lives and inner musings of our remarkable students, who are now in 8th grade. Teachers are incredibly proud of these young writers, and this is all made possible by the generous and continued support of the MEF. It's a wonderful keepsake for your child! [Click this link to order.](#)

PS: Use this coupon code at checkout to save 20%:
THANKYOU20

Thank you to all who came to "An Evening of Glamping" and bid on the auction... at the event or from home. It was a beautiful night and a hugely successful fundraiser for MEF. We raised over \$25,000 for our schools! But of course, we could always use more. Stay tuned for more ways to help MEF - including continuing to fuel up at the "Giving Pump" - Pump 6 at the Madison Shell Station. One cent from every gallon purchased goes back to MEF!



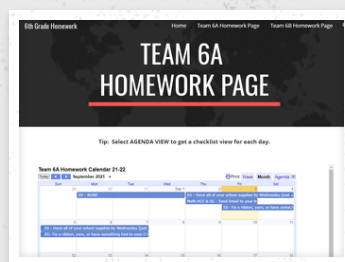
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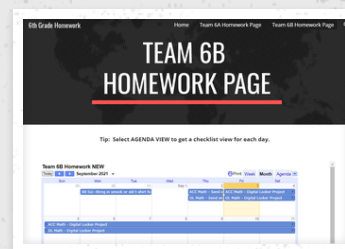
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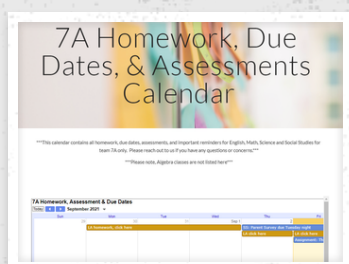
Homework Calendars



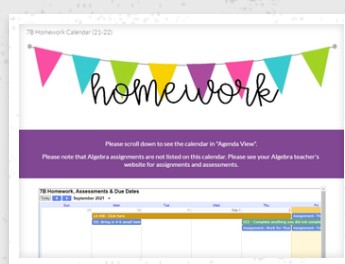
[Team 6A Homework Calendar](#)



[Team 6B Homework Calendar](#)



[Team 7A Homework Calendar](#)



[Team 7B Homework Calendar](#)

HOMEWORK					
Grade 8, Classes 1B					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
L.A.	None	None	None	None	None
M.S.	None	None	None	None	None
S.S.	None	None	None	None	None
Sci.	None	None	None	None	None
Math	None	None	None	None	None

[Grade 8 Homework Calendar](#)

MJS Schedules

MJS SCHEDULE 2022-2023	
Regular School Day	
AB Days	Advisory Days
7:55 8:03 Homeroom	7:55 8:31 Homeroom/ Advisory
8:06 8:57 Per 1	8:34 9:21 Per 1
9:00 9:51 Per 2	9:24 10:11 Per 2
9:54 10:45 Per 3	10:14 11:01 Per 3
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11:16 12:07 Per 5A	11:32 12:19 Per 5A
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[Regular A/B Day](#)

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[A/B Yearly Rotation Schedule](#)

Important Upcoming Dates

Monday, 9/19 - Start Strong Testing Math

Tuesday, 9/20 - Start Strong Testing ELA

Tuesday, 9/20 - Boys Soccer game vs Mendham Twp

Tuesday, 9/20 - Cross Country vs Mendham Twp

Wednesday, 9/21 - Picture Day

Wednesday, 9/21 - Start Strong Testing Makeups

Thursday, 9/22 - Start Strong Testing Science - Grade 6 only

Thursday, 9/22 - Back To School Night - 6:30-8:30 pm

Friday, 9/23 - Start Strong Testing Makeups

Monday, 9/26 - School Closed - Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, 9/28 - Girls Soccer Game vs Whippany Park

Friday, 9/30 - 6th Grade Social, 4-6pm

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!



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