LOGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Important Dates 10/20 Early Release Day (1:18 pm) 10/20 Parents' Night Out, (7:00-9:00pm) 10/28 Logan Beats and Treats (6:00pm-8:00pm) 11/02 Logan PTSO Meeting(9:00am)



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Logan Elementary Visual Art Department

October 2022



In our choice based classroom....

art news

We are building skills!

Y5/Kindergarten/1st Grade

We are exploring the secret lives of crayons, markers, and watercolor paint. Students are experimenting with multiple techniques that most grown-ups don't even know about!

2nd and 3rd Grade

Students are challenging themselves to use more than one art making material (mixed-media) in a single work of art.

4th grade and 5th Grade

Students are learning how to communicate using collage materials. They are creating a work of art that communicates an idea, tells a story and "works" aesthetically.

We are making artistic choices!

Students in ALL grade levels participate in "studio time," in which they plan, design, and create unique works of art. You might see:

- Scribble phase: What can this material do?
- Practice: What do I like making?
- Planning: How can I make this better?
- Masterpiece: I can make my best work!



Volunteer Opportunities:

The art room is in need of volunteers to create hall displays. Skills needed: glue gun wielding, basic ruler/math skills and an artistic eye. Please register using the volunteer form from Mr. Wright and email <u>magara@aaps.k12.mi.us</u> when you are available!

Donations Needed:



Grocery bags Yogurt containers Take-out containers Magazines/Calendars/Catalogs Scrapbooking paper Legos Tissues Clorox wipes

Parents often ask me, **"How can I help my child with art at home?"** The answer is surprising simple: provide time, space and materials to your child.

- Purchase the best supplies in your budget. Crayola makes some great beginner and intermediate options. Prismacolor sells smaller sets for advanced artists.
- Give your child lots of time to develop on their own. You don't need to provide ideas or projects, just let them work!
- Let your child have a small space where they can store supplies and work without asking busy grown-ups.



We had a very busy and productive start to the school year in Library class! We have been enjoying some good books together. We went over how to properly care for our library books & follow library procedures. In addition, we covered the rules for using our school technology, following the AAPS Acceptable Use Policy. The following slides are used to teach the acceptable use policy to Young 5s-2nd grade and 3rd-5th grade, emphasizing that our devices are not personal devices, but school devices that are being loaned out (much like a library book) for school work and to learn. Just like we would not put stickers, add pictures, or

alter library books in any way, we are being directed not to do those things to our school devices. This includes using devices to access websites that are not school sanctioned in Clever, Schoology, or otherwise provided by a teacher for additional learning. We thank you for your support in helping our students follow these same rules and procedures at home.

October 17-21 is Digital Citizenship Week! Some of our Library class lessons this month will focus on the importance of being safe, responsible, and respectful when using technology. Common Sense Media is one of the sources for our lessons and activities. Common Sense Media offers a wealth of resources for people helping to teach children to safely navigate the online world!

We will also be having some fun with campfire stories in the library, complete with a nearly-real campfire!

Amy Rodriguez Library Teacher arod@a2schools.org



In PE, the primary classes just finished a unit on tumbling skills. We practiced all types of movements up and down the tumbling mats including summersaults, log rolls, side rolls, backward somersaults, and the introduction to headstands. We have also been working on our locomotor movements (running, jogging, walking, skipping, galloping, sliding, hopping, jumping, and leaping) with the focus on aerobic endurance.

In the intermediate grades, we have been focusing on the 5 components of fitness (aerobic endurance, muscular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, and body composition). Most recently, we have been doing Fitness Testing and just finished the Pacer test.

Coach Kahldon P.E Teacher kahldons@a2schools.org



skills in the months to come!

Young 5s and Kindergarten students have had a blast this first month of school! We are beginning to learn a rich vocabulary of musical sounds and phrases that will eventually turn into written musical notation in the years to come. This is done through echoing basic rhythm and singing patterns. We have also been working on singing simple melodies, dancing with scarves, and learning body awareness in movement activities. Students have had the opportunity to play several instruments. Students will begin learning to keep a steady beat while being exposed to a wide variety of music in different meters and tonalities. We will continue to refine these

1st and 2nd Graders have spent the first month of the school year widening their musical vocabularies. We are learning how to recognize songs and chants that are in duple meter and in major tonality. We have listened to and performed songs in a variety of tonalities and meters. Students have been practicing keeping a steady beat while listening to and performing music, which is reinforced through playing instruments and circle games. We will be learning a variety of fun fall-themed songs and chants to reinforce musical concepts this month.

3rd Graders spent the first month of school reviewing simple rhythm and singing patterns. We have spent a lot of time working on differentiating between fast and slow beats, and have gotten to play boomwhackers! We will continue to refine those musical skills as we gear up to begin our ukulele unit in the new year.

4th Graders have spent a lot of time learning to sing in harmony and perform harmonies by playing xylophones and metallophones. Students continue to build their musical vocabularies through tonal and rhythm pattern instruction at the beginning of each class. We are just beginning to learn to sing in multiple-part harmonies. Students have also been learning to read more complex musical notation in anticipation of beginning our recorder unit in November.

5th Graders have completed a unit on the instruments of the woodwind, brass, string, and percussion families in anticipation of beginning their instrumental music classes. We have also been learning about the anacrusis, crusis, and metacrusis (preparation, attack, prolongation) of music and being able to demonstrate those three movements in our bodies using energy, space, and time. Students will soon be encompassed in a Eurhythmics unit, meaning "good rhythm." We will practice moving to rhythmic patterns in different ways to reinforce fast and short tempos and more complex rhythms.

> Nicole Joslin Music Teacher joslinn@a2schools.org



¡Hola, familias! This is the last week of Hispanic Heritage Month, so we are finishing up our look at influential Latinos. Fifth graders learned about Oscar de la Renta, who not only designed beautiful fashions for famous people, but also founded an orphanage in his home country, the Dominican Republic. Fourth graders learned about Yuyi Morales, the Mexican-American author of many children's picture books. Many of the kids had read her books. Her Caldecott-winning Dreamers led to a great discussion about what it feels like to be an immigrant. The kids were proud to share where they or their families were originally from.

We reviewed numbers and colors. We also continued to share how we feel and why. Ask your Logan fourth or fifth grader to tell you what these adjectives mean: feliz, emocionado, cansado, enojado, and triste.

We also reviewed basic classroom commands, like "levanta la mano (raise your hand)" and "escucha (listen)."

Lenore Webb Spanish Teacher webbl@a2schools.org







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JOIN THE LOGAN PTSO FOR PARENT'S

Thursday,

October

20th at

7:00 PM

RAPPOURT 2721 PLYMOUTH ROAD (BEHIND PLYMOUTH ROAD MALL)

Presented by Logan PTSO *Attendees will pay for their own food & drink

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 1ST COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR FOR ADULTS ONLY. RSVP <u>HERE</u>

This is an ALL OUTDOOR EVENT.

Come one, come all, to the 7th Annual Logan Elementary School Fall Social!!

Beats and Treats

Friday, October 28th, 2022 6:00pm - 8:00pm on Front Playground

Join us for great family fun including: Dance Party

Games

Pizza and Drinks

CostumeParade

(Costumes welcomed, but not required)

All games & dancing are FREE!

...and don't forget to stop by and vote for your favorite class pumpkin!

We need about 50 volunteers on this day! Sign up by scanning QR Code or clicking <u>HERE</u>.

General tickets will be 2 for \$1.00 and can be used as follows:1 slice of Pizza - 2 tickets1 bag of popcorn - 2 ticket1 water/juice - 2 ticket1 Pumpkin Vote - 1 Ticket

Tickets will be sold at the door. *Looking forward to seeing you there!*

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FOOD FUNDRAISER

LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA

Spend over \$10 and Logan receives \$2 of the sale

spend under \$10 and Logan still receives \$1 back.

Located at 2715 Plymouth Rd. (across the street from Kroger)



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Look for the weekly food fundraiser details in the **PTSO** newslettereBackpack.



PANERA BREAD

20% of total net sales from your designated fundraising event will be donated to your organization.

Located:1773 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

OCTOBER 27, 2022 FROM 4:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

Be sure to mention Logan Elementary, when placing your order!

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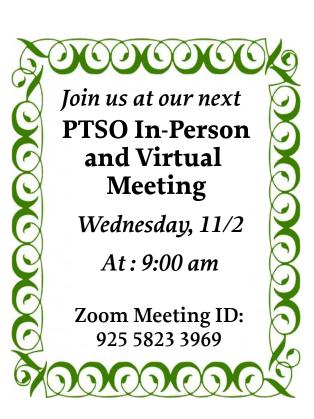


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