



TRAILBLAZER NEWS

March 2023

MARCUS WHITMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL



INTRAMURAL BOWLING

Short season, get signed up, first practice March 7th

WELCOME!! Intramural bowling is a fun activity where you will practice the skill of bowling, socially engage with other teammates, and demonstrate positive sportsmanship by encouraging and cheering on others. We will be at the Hi-Joy bowling alley in Port Orchard so respectful behavior is essential. All 3 middle schools will be involved for every practice and game. Shoes and a bowling ball will be provided. Please make sure to return after use and keep your area clean. Transportation will be provided from the school, but parents are to pick up their child from the bowling alley by 5pm. Parents/guardians are welcome to come watch and sit up at the tables behind the lanes. Please email questions to gadberry@skschools.org. I look forward to a fun season!

In order to participate you need the following:

Completed registration on the Marcus Whitman website located in the student store.

A one-time ASB fee of \$30 to be paid at the student store.

An updated sports physical.

Practice and Game Schedule: (3p.m.- 5p.m.)

Practice Days- 3/7, 3/8, 3/9

Game Days	Tues. Mar 14	G1
	Thurs. Mar 16	G2
	Tues. Mar 21	G3
	Thurs. Mar 23	G4

Elisha Gadberry

MWMS IM Bowling Coach

Mark Your Calendars!

Below you will find the testing schedule for our required state testing. All of our students will be participating in the Smarter Balanced Assessment for math and ELA in May. Our eighth graders will be also be taking the Washington Comprehensive Assessment for Science (WCAS).

If you know ahead of time your student will be gone on any of the testing days, then please email Mrs. Chang the dates, so she can arrange an alternate testing time, if necessary.

If you have any questions regarding testing, you may reach out to Mrs. Chang at 360-874-6175 or via email at chang@skschools.org.

CAT=Computer Adaptive Test;

PT=Performance Task;

Monday May 8	Tuesday May 9	Wednesday May 10	Thursday May 11	Friday May 12
ELA CAT	ELA PT	No Testing	ELA PT	
Monday May 15	Tuesday May 16	Wednesday May 17	Thursday May 18	Friday May 19
Math CAT	MATH PT	No Testing		
Monday May. 22	Tuesday May. 23	Wednesday May. 24	Thursday May. 25	Friday May. 26
	8th WCAS	8th WCAS	8th WCAS	

Check out the MW math website!

What is new in math classes this month?

Find math updates for the month of March by clicking on the link for your student's grade level. If you have any questions about your student's progress, email or call their classroom teacher.

<https://sites.google.com/skschools.org/mw-math/6th-grade>

<https://sites.google.com/skschools.org/mw-math/7th-grade>

<https://sites.google.com/skschools.org/mw-math/8th-grade>

Emily Fogel

Learning Support Specialist - Math



Math Night



TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH

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5:30-7:00 PM

Event Details

5:30 pm - dinner begins

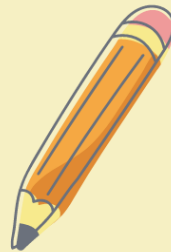
5:50-6:00 pm - welcome and activity selection

6:05-6:20 pm - 1st session

6:25-6:40 pm - 2nd session

6:45-7:00 pm - 3rd session

**Bring your whole family for
pizza and pie! Join us in
activities focusing on the
Standards of Mathematical
Practices!**



Sessions

- Number Talks
- Dice and Card Games
- Logic Games and Number Puzzles
- Turing Tumbles
- Number Challenges

Thank you to
Clearwater Casino
for the donation!

Go to <https://forms.gle/WNeJVz3bdDE4nwXA> or
call 360-874-6207.

Thanks for your RSVP by Friday, 3/10!


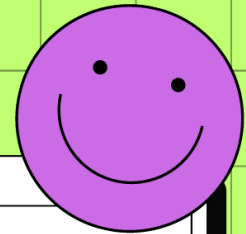


Thank you to KRL for supporting our event!



MARCH

FAMILY DARES



One of our High 5's is **Perseverance** and sticking with a task when things get hard is an important process for learning. As a family, have everyone share a time when you persevered and why. When you see evidence of someone using this skill, call them out!

Say THANK-YOU!

As a family, write handwritten notes to leave for the person who delivers your mail, picks up the garbage, delivers packages, etc.

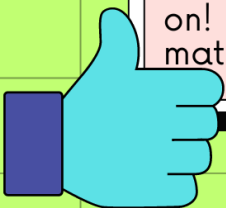
Think creatively about how to leave the message. Practice gratitude as a family not only leaves the recipient feeling good, but helps everyone feel accomplished for making someone's day better.

Participate in our MW Math Night on March 14th from 5:30-7pm. Have pizza and pie for dinner with your family then move into activities that support the standards of mathematical practice.


Call 360-874-6207 to RSVP. Share your name, student's name and how many people will be attending.

Get ready to get your math on! Everyone is a mathematician!

Human beings are born curious! Try out something new this month as a family. This is a good way to overcome fears, improve memory, mood, and motivation as well as reaching your full potential. Share your experiences as you go!



CONNECTED - SAFETY - INTEGRITY - PERSEVERANCE - ACHIEVEMENT

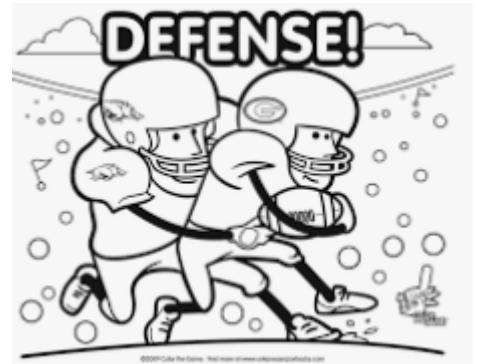


What? Tackle Football First Practice

Who? 7th and 8th Graders only

Where? Boys Locker Room

When? Monday, March 20th 3:00-5.30pm



You will need: Shorts, T-shirt, Tennis Shoes, Cleats, and a WATER BOTTLE.

Practice Schedule: Mon. – Fri. from 3.00pm -5.30pm

All interested participants MUST have completed their athletic registration via FINAL FORMS before tryouts on March 20th. A current sports physical MUST be on file.

An ASB fee (\$30) is required to participate for all team members. Students on free and reduced are eligible for a waiver with parent permission to release status of information. IF you have any questions regarding fees, please speak to Ms. Cynthia at the student store.

Looking forward to seeing you then! Dan Tajalle, Head FB Coach



Family Support Site

Check out the parent support site! This site will be a place you can get upcoming information and answers throughout the year.

<https://sites.google.com/skschools.org/mwmsremote/home>

Parent Supervision Tool for the Internet

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jz02XpVLJ5iGF5stn9RMou8cqm64sdjK9Ae62GXQfY0/edit>



Your student may become more independent at the Middle School level, however, there are still volunteer opportunities such as:

Tutoring students/ Assisting the teacher

Band/Choir/Orchestra Assistant

Help with Student Events

Fieldtrip Chaperones

Teacher Appreciation events

Mrs. Sauby would like some helpers/tutors during her 4th period with 6th grade Science. (11:45 – 12:45)

Volunteer applications are available in the Main office and are required to be in place before volunteering.

When you stop by, please bring current Drivers License for ID.

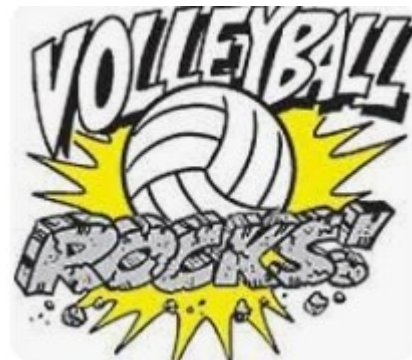
Mask use is by choice.

Point of contact at MWMS is Ruth Hodges at Munchbac@skschools.org (360) 874-6168

Girls Volleyball tryouts begin Monday, March 20th through Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

6th graders tryouts: 3:00-4:15pm

7th and 8th graders tryouts: 4:30-5:45pm



We will meet in the gymnasium on **all three days**. You are expected to arrive promptly and wear proper attire, workout clothing and good tennis shoes.

OFFICIAL First Practice is on Thursday, March 23 from 3-5pm. Those who make each of the following teams: Varsity, Junior Varsity or Intramural, will receive a practice schedule and relevant information at the March 23rd practice.

All interested participants MUST have completed their athletic registration via FINAL FORMS before tryouts on March 20th. A current sports physical MUST be on file.

An ASB fee (\$30) is required to participate for all team members. Students on free and reduced are eligible for a waiver with parent permission to release status of information. IF you have any questions regarding fees, please speak to Ms. Cynthia at the student store.

Looking forward to seeing you then! Brittany Bates, Head VB Coach



Intramural Sports

April 12- May 05, 2023

What? Flag Football and Girls Volleyball

Who? 6th and 7th Graders only

Where? TBD

When? Tuesday, April 12th, 3:00-4.30pm

You will need: Shorts, T-shirt, Tennis Shoes, and a WATER BOTTLE.

Practice Schedule: TBD

All interested participants **MUST** have completed their athletic registration via **FINAL FORMS** before practice on April 12th. A current sports physical **MUST** be on file.

An **ASB fee (\$30)** is required to participate for all team members. Students on free and reduced are eligible for a waiver with parent permission to release status of information. IF you have any questions regarding fees, please speak to Ms. Cynthia at the student store.

Looking forward to seeing you then! Dan Tajalle, Head Football Coach

GO BLAZERS!

SPRING CONFERENCING

In person Parent / Student Conferences will be open for signups starting March 17th and will close March 27th. The time slots are below. When you do signup, you will choose **one** time frame using only your student's science teacher. All teachers will **not** be viewable when you register. With this one Science teacher time slot you may meet with any teacher you wish; you do not have to meet with all teachers.

TUES.

(Students out at 11:25)

12:15 - 1:00

1:00 - 1:45

1:45 - 2:30

2:30 - 3:15

3:15 - 4:00

4:00 - 4:45

Dinner

5:45 - 6:30

6:30 - 7:15

WED.

(Students out at 11:25)

12:15 - 1:00

1:00 - 1:45

1:45 - 2:30

2:30 - 3:15

THURS.

(Students out at 11:25)

12:15 - 1:00

1:00 - 1:45

1:45 - 2:30

2:30 - 3:15

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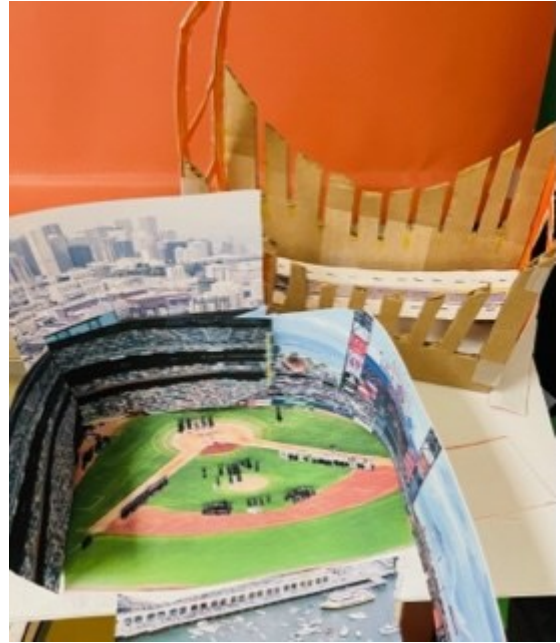
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We will send out a reminder with instructions on how to sign up through Parent Square. We hope to see you at the end of the month.

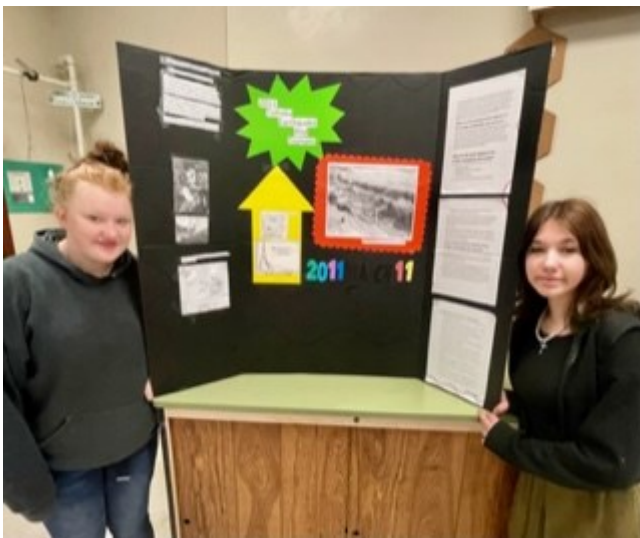
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Ms Jordan's 7th grade Science students show their earthquake, volcano and rock cycle final projects!





More awesome Science projects



Kadin Brandon
Hannah Johnson
Evangelina Willis
Alejandro Herrera
Caden Kinerk

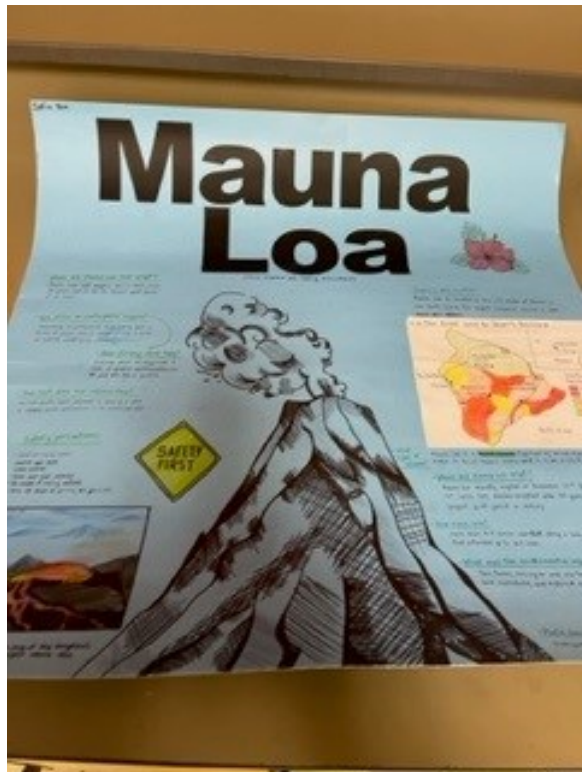
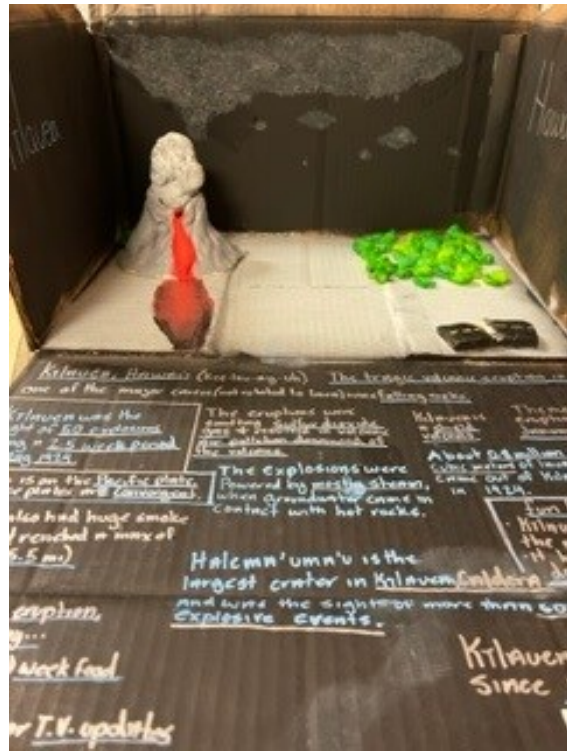
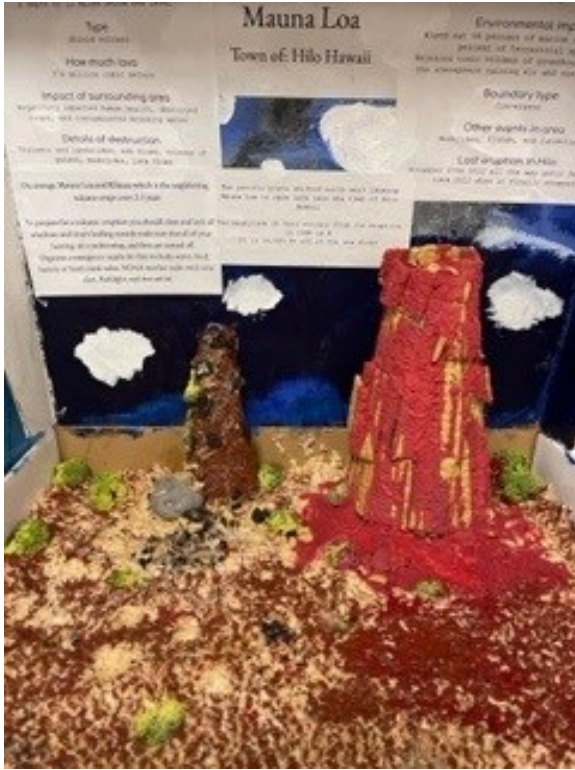
Dioramas and posters

By

Mia Smalley

Giana Pallo

Sophia Vea



Mrs. Johnston's class visited Ms. Jordan's class to check out all the projects and displays. Fun was had by all!!!





The Chanime Club (Chess + Anime) meets Thursdays, 2:45-3:30 PM, in Room 214 Mr. O'Loughlin is the Advisor. The Chanime Club is open to all Marcus Whitman students who want to learn and play chess and/or want to draw Anime.

The Allies GSA Club: Are you looking for a safe and supportive place to connect and socialize with fellow LGBTQ+ peers and allies? If so, Allies GSA club is for you! Students in the club work together to provide inclusive community experiences for all at Marcus Whitman! Club will meet every Thursday in room 203, 2:50-3:50. Grab a permission slip from Mrs. Bush or Ms. Williams.

The Game Club will begin meeting on Mondays in the Library from 3-4pm. If you would like to play board games, cards or D&D, come and participate! Permission slips for this club are available in the main office. Deputy Brown Advisor

Weight Lifting Club has started. They will be meeting Tuesday and Thursday in the Weight Room. Time is from 2:50 pm to 3:50. Permission slips are at the main office. Advisors Mr. Zappey and Mrs Marshall

STEM Club will meet on various Thursdays. Listen for the daily announcements for the next meeting. STEM Club will meet in Room 112 (Woodshop) and go from 2:45—3:45. Permission slips are at the main office.

Harry Potter Club - Harry Potter club has returned. Club members will meet Mondays in room 206 from 2:45 to 4pm. Harry Potter club will include a variety activities such as games and trivia. You must bring a permission form signed by a parent or guardian to become a member. Please see

MWMS Counseling Department

Your MWMS Counselors:

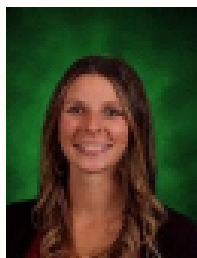


Zack Fogel

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Haley Mishko

Students with last
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9th Grade Registration

9th grade registration forms were due last week. Please check in with your 8th grader and ensure that they have turned in their 9th grade registration form. We can still accept registration forms, but the later they are turned in, the less likely your student is to get their top choices for classes.

Food Support

Could your family benefit from extra food support? If so, please fill out the below google form (or have your student grab a paper copy from their counselor) to sign them up for the Backpack For Kids program. BPFK sends students home with a bag of easy to prepare meals/snacks every Friday!

<https://forms.gle/xDpUjVdMRIsUWhYs>

Wrestling Match Schedule -4:00 start

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE
Mar 10	League Match	Poulsbo High
Mar 11	League Match	Poulsbo High 9:00 AM

Girls Basketball Game Schedule - 3:30 start

Date	Opponent	Place
Mar 3	Curtis	Curtis makeup game
Mar 6	Sedgwick	Marcus
Mar 8	Mt. View	Mt. View

Intramural Bowling Game Schedule - 3:00 - 5:00

Mar 14	Cedar & Sedgwick
Mar 16	Cedar & Sedgwick
Mar 21	Cedar & Sedgwick
Mar 23	Cedar & Sedgwick



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The Title IX Officer and Section 504 Coordinator with the responsibility for monitoring, auditing and ensuring compliance with this policy are:

Compliance/ADA/Title IX Coordinator:
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Executive Director of Human Resources
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360-874-7071
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