Rogers Middle School

What's Up Rogers?

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Rogers' New Drama Club

By: Charlie, Jimmy, and JD

This year Rogers has released the new Drama Club. It will be starting in January and ending March. 5th and 6th grade will be able to participate and auditions will be held in December. The Drama Club will be putting on a shortened version of "Finding Nemo" this year, all shows will be musicals. There will be more rehearsals the closer you get to the play. The reason Drama Club is being put on is because the teachers both went to college for theatre to perform for community theatre. Drama Club is important for fostering a sense of community in school. There are singing lines. You can watch the performance March 28th and 29th.

4th Grade Helmer Nature Center Trip

By: Lara, Jessie, Audrey, & Minerva,

Recently, fourth grade went on a field trip to the Helmer nature center to learn about the Haudenosaunee. A few things we did, were go on multiple hikes, make arrowhead jewelry, make corn husk dolls, and eat some of the food the Haudenosaunee ate. A few things we learned about were some of the things the Seneca used and a few different ways they used corn. Those were a few things the fourth graders learned and did.



6th Grade Spotlight: the Egg Drop Results

By: Hunter .R, Jackson .W, And Carter .G.

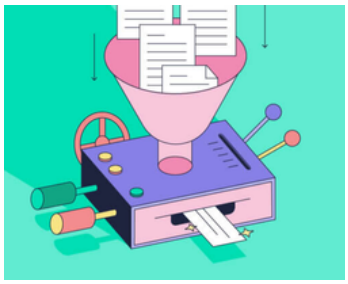
The 6th graders of Rogers dropped their protections of the egg from the window of Mrs. Wambach's room. There were some funny moments and statistics, like Mr. Brickler's class had 5 nonbroken eggs, Ms. Giardina's class had 6 nonbroken eggs and Ms. Beck's class had 4 nonbroken eggs. Some funny moments were when somebody's parachute deployed. Also, two eggs flipped over. And somebody's cushioning for an egg fell out.



5th Grade Spotlight: Summarizing

By: Opal, Linden, Ell and Adrian

In fifth grade, we are currently learning how to summarize a paragraph. There are a few fun, easy steps to help you pull together a foolproof summary. First, find out what the paragraph is mostly about. This is your main idea. Second, find the most important details, or sentences that support the main idea. Finally, it's time to summarize. Based on your details and your main idea, put together 2 or 3 sentences. However, if your text is non-fiction, try to put it into ten words or less.



Builder's Club Food Drive

By: Anthony, Charlotte, Giulia

The Thanksgiving food drive run by Miss Elliot has been happening for at least 8 years. Her favorite part of the food drive is seeing the kids count the food and drop it off. A fun fact is that the Irondequoit Community Cupboard has been helping people since 1995 and helps over 500 families a month. This year the food drive collected 729 items.



December Holidays

By Peter, Brandon, and Levi

December is a time of year where many holidays and national days clash in that one month. For example Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, and many more. Here is something about all of them! Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday, also known as the "Festival of Lights" Hanukkah is a holiday that lasts eight days and a candle is lit on a special kind of candle holder called a menorah. Kwanzaa is an annual celebration that celebrates African-American culture. There are 7 days in Kwanzaa. Each day represents one of the seven principles in Kwanzaa.

Christmas is a holiday that is basically celebrated worldwide. It is a holiday that has different stories of how it was founded, who delivered gifts, and many other stories. Some believe Santa Claus delivers presents. some religions believe it's to mark the birthdate of Jesus.

To sum it up, December is a month that contains a wide variety of holidays and special days, based off of religions, culture, traditions, and many more.



Character Theme: Respect & Inclusion

By: Tommy & Bennett

We can show RESPECT at Rogers by...

- Giving people their personal space
- Being nice to others
- Standing up for others
- Listening to others while they are talking
- ''You can play with us if you want''
- Inviting people to your game





Reindeer

By: Dur E, Briston, and Mackenzie

Reindeer are mostly found in the Artic Tundra. There are more than 60 breeds of reindeer in the world. Reindeer can live in any types of weather conditions and environments. Fawn is what you call young deer. Female deer are called does and males are called bucks. Reindeer can run as fast as 50 mph. Reindeer can come in many different colors, including brown and gray. Reindeer can live for as long as 20 years. Reindeer are officially adults when they become two years old. Reindeer do not have spots when they are born. Reindeer have splits in their hooves. Did you know that the eyes of reindeer change according to the season?

Intramurals

By: Owen Bates

Roger's intramurals meets on every "A day" for 4th graders "B day" for 6th graders "C day" for 5th graders in the gym before school. All you do is whatever you do in PE. Some sports that you play are flag football, soccer, kickball, basketball, badminton, four square. If you're interested you're welcome to come only if you have a good reputation this school year.



Book Review

By: Payton, Cece, & Ruby

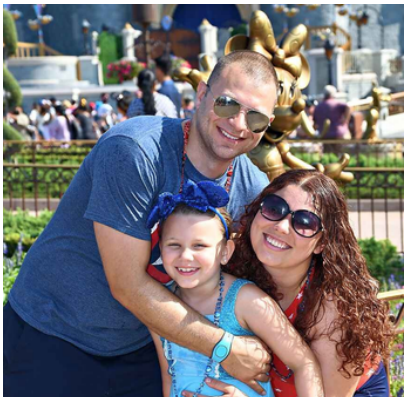
"Dork Diaries" is a great series if you like humor. Nikki tries not to disappoint her friends, takes a job working at a birthday party, and pulls together the school Halloween dance. But she still cares too much about materialistic things and what other people think. Plus she lies to her parents, is constantly rude to her little sister, and makes bad decisions. There are 16 books in the serious and they are available in the Rogers' Library!



Mrs. Arcarisi

By: Emmy, Daphne, & Isla

Mrs. Arcarisi went to Disney a bunch as a kid. She also went to college in Florida, so she could visit Disney a lot. She loves kids and she wanted to make a good change in their lives, so she became a teacher. Her hope is that students feel comfortable in her classroom. Her daughter, Aubrey is 8 years old and in 3rd grade. She has been married for 10 years. She lives in Brighton and has 2 pets: Nova a Shiba Inu dog, and a grey tabby cat.





Mrs. Woodson

By: Miesha T, Vivienne P, Charlotte J, and Madison K,

Katie Woodson is one of Rogers art teachers. Her favorite color is green because it makes her feel peaceful. Her favorite artist is Charlie Harper that inspired her the most. What she likes about art it lets her use her imagination and creativity. Does she like chicken nuggets, why or why not? YES she LOVES chicken nuggets, all different kinds because they bring her back to when she was a child.

Mindful Moment

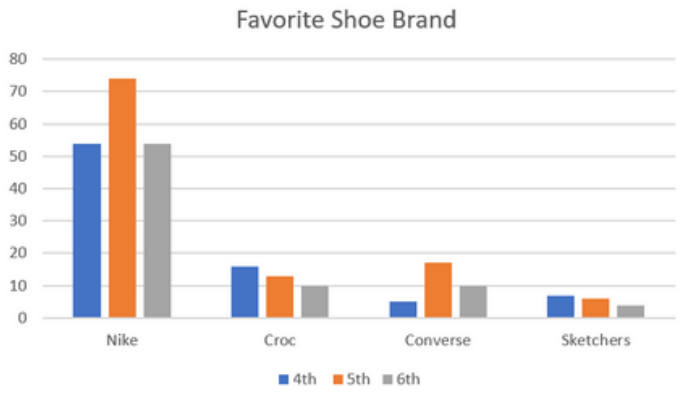
By: Wynne, Thomas & Andrew

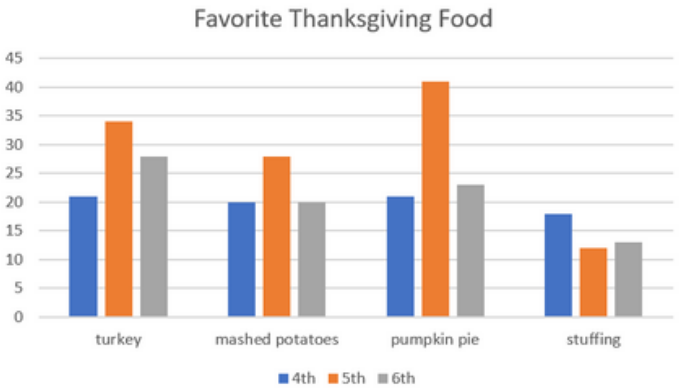
Slowly trace the outside of your hand with your index finger, breathing in when you trace up your finger and breathing out when you trace down.



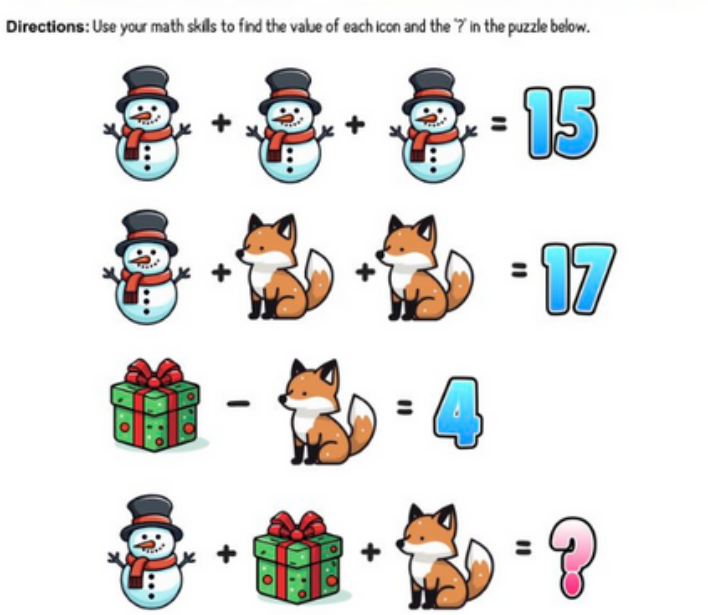
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Student Polls





Math Challenge



A Nougat From Mr. DiMartino

Dear Rogers Students,

As we approach the end of 2024, I want to take a moment to commend you for your hard work, dedication, and resilience throughout the year. Each of you has faced unique challenges and opportunities, and your perseverance is truly inspiring.

As we head into the winter months, remember to take care of yourselves and others. Balance your studies with moments of rest and relaxation. Believe in your abilities and trust that your efforts will pay off.

Looking ahead to 2025, I encourage you to set new goals and embrace the possibilities that the new year brings. Whether it's academic achievements, personal growth, or new adventures, I hope 2025 is filled with success, joy, and fulfillment for each of you.

Thank you for your commitment to learning and for being a part of our community. Wishing you a strong finish to 2024 and an amazing year ahead.

A Big Fan,

Mr. DiMartino

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Word Unscramble

By: Lara, Jessie, Audrey, & Minerva

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