Rogers Middle School

What's Up Rogers?

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5th Grade Fun Night

By: Owen & Opal

Fifth grade fun night was a celebration of 5th grade with many fun things to do. For example, games such as gaga ball, four square, basketball, and board games were popular. Gaga ball was a fan favorite, there were about 50+ people playing. Many people were in the cafeteria, as well. Board games were also a favorite with the 5th graders. The cafeteria was a suitable place to have a refreshing drink of hot cocoa, and water as well as a place to relax and chill out. Many people showed up, it was a blast. Thank you to everyone who came and help make the night one to remember!

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4th Grade Spotlight

By: Tommy & Bennett

Fourth Grade is learning about the American Revolution. It is an important war to our country because it is when America broke free from Great Britain and became its own country. Colonists protested taxes like the Stamp Act and the Intolerable Acts because they thought it was unfair to be taxed by Britain. The Declaration of Independence was created to declare independence and we now celebrate the 4th of July (Independence Day) because of it.



6th Grade Spotlight

By: Hunter, Wynne, Carter, And Jackson

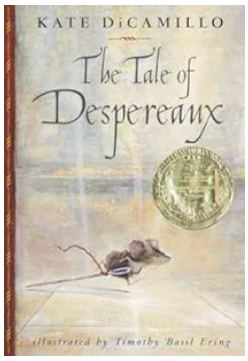
In 6th grade we are doing a story about Ancient Egypt, which is called a narrative. We got to pick a role from Ancient Egyptian times, and make up our own characters. Then you write a day in the life about a person in this time period. After you write the story, you obviously have to change some mistakes in the story, and then show it to your teacher. This is called editing and revising. For example, my character was a Russian 17-year-old boy that was a solider. We're really hoping you enjoy this project when you reach 6th grade. You get to use your own creative ideas to make a story about the character you choose.



5th Grade Spotlight

By: Charlotte

In fifth grade, students have been reading the novel "The Tale of Despereaux" by Kate DiCamillo. This wonderful novel is set in the Middle Ages, the main characters being a small mouse named Despereaux, a serving girl named Mig, and a rat named Roscuro. These three characters all have wishes, and they are the things they want most in life. Despereaux's wish is to be a knight, Mig's wish is to be a princess, and Roscuro's wish is to go upstairs from the dark dungeon into the light. The book is divided into 4 parts, 3 of which tell the stories of our three main characters. This novel is the kind of book that you just can't put down. Two hundred seventy-one pages of greatness, with so many great themes. We have been breaking down vocabulary words, writing multiple CRQs (critical response questions), and discussing 52 chapters.



Susan B. Anthony

By: Emmy, Madigan, Isla and Daphne

Susan B. Anthony was born on February 15th, 1820, in Adams, Massachusetts and she died in 1906 at the age of 86. She lived here in Rochester, NY. During her lifetime she was an American social reformer and a women's rights activist who played a pivotal role in the women's suffrage movement. Fun fact, Susan was a 5th cousin of Amelia Earheart, which is pretty cool. To conclude our article, Susan B. Anthony was an extraordinary woman and you can still visit her house today.



Perseverance and Growth Mindset

By: Tommy & Bennett

Having a growth mindset means not giving up and saying things like "I can do this," and "this is hard, but I can do it." YOU can have a growth mindset too, just do not give up, try hard and things will become a breeze for you. Having a growth mindset is important because it helps you learn more and be smarter. You feel less stressed during school and leave happy.



The History of Basketball

By: Levi, Brandon, & Peter

Basketball began in 1891 in Springfield, Massachusetts. It was developed by a Canadian physical education teacher named James Naismith. He created the sport to keep the athletes busy during the winters when they cannot go outside.

The rules were made fair, and the sport became immensely popular. Then, the sport became popular around the various parts of the world. It started to be played in colleges, then a league called the A.B.A. was developed for the best of the best to play for a championship in 1967. A man name George Mikan was the A.B.A.'s first star. So, if you ever play basketball and do a "Mikan drill," you will know it was from the style of George Mikan.

The league was developed into the N.B.A. over the years. But then, in 1984, a star emerged into the league. His name was Michael Jordan. He can layup, dunk, mid-range jump shot, three-point jump shot, and more! He won six championships and made his mark on the league.

One of the most used rules of the game is fouls. Fouls happen when you cause illegal contact to the body of your opponent. If you get fouled during the motion of a shot, you get free throws. Free throws are when you shoot from a line once or twice if you make the shot. Or 3 if you get fouled during a shot outside the 3 point line.

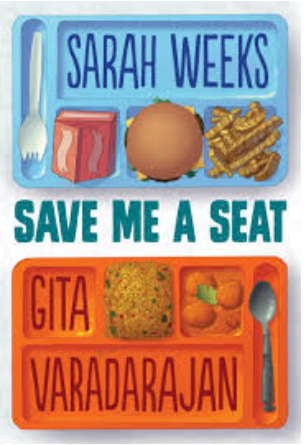
In conclusion, basketball has evolved in various ways that can be hard to explain at sometimes.



Book Review: Save Me a Seat

By: Anthony, Emma, Charlotte, & Giulia

This charming book by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan follows two young boys, Joe and Ravi. Ravi is an immigrant from India, and Joe struggles with ADHD. They both have trouble fitting in with the other students in the school, and frequently get bullied. This is a good tale if you like stories about kindness and friendship.



5 Cool Facts About Band Instruments

By: Jessie, Isabell, Lara, & Audrey

- When they were first invented, woodwind instruments were actually made out of wood!
- When uncoiled, the French Horn is between 12 to 13 feet long!
- The Flute was one of the first instruments ever made!
- The Trombone is said to be the "Voice of God"!
- The Clarinet is sometimes called the Licorice Stick!



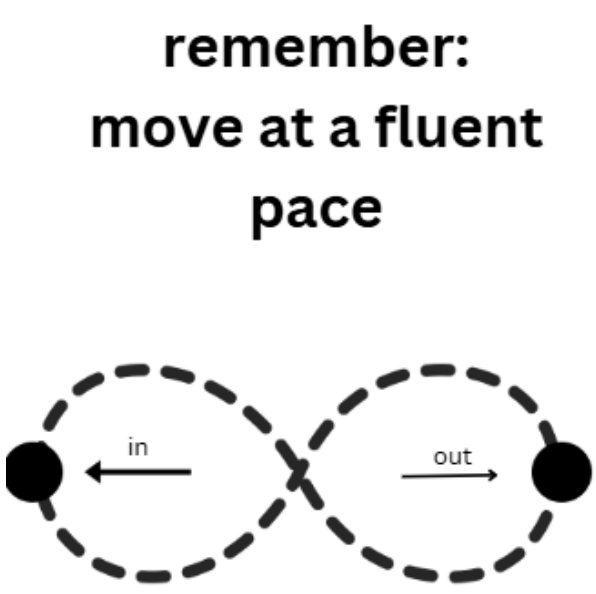


Mrs. Lenzi

By: Charlie, JD & Jimmy

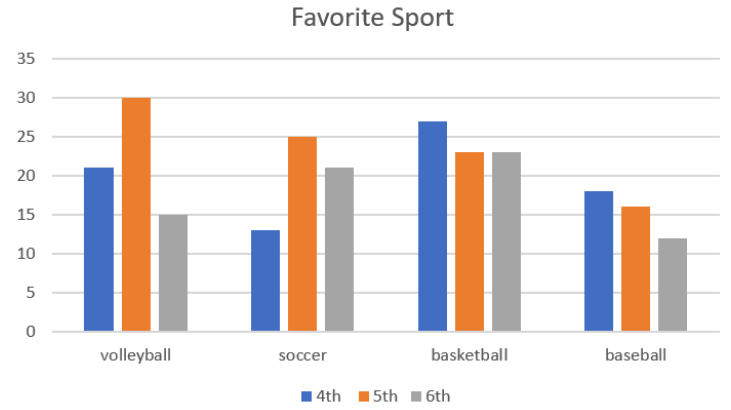
Mrs. Lenzi has been working at Rogers for 25 years. Mrs. Lenzi still loves her job, but if she could be anything else she would like to be a school librarian. She has been to 4 countries. Her favorite food is watermelon. She likes to read, sew, crafting, gardening, and traveling. She played and loved field hockey as a kid.

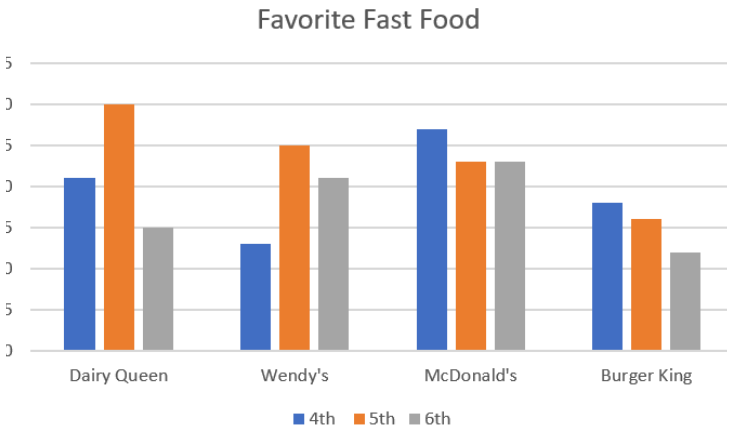
Mindful Moment



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Student Polls





Math Challenge



A Nougat From Mr. DiMartino

Dear Rogers Students,

I wanted to share a story from a parent that made all of us proud.

“This afternoon, while driving home from pickup, I witnessed an elderly woman fall while getting groceries out of her car. She lives on the corner of Wimbledon and Seneca, not far from us. After dropping my children off at home, I quickly returned to check on her. She was still on the ground, but four students walking home from Rogers had already stopped to assist her. Together, we were able to help her and bring her groceries inside safely.

I was deeply touched by these students' empathy and show of neighborly care, and I wanted to share their good deed. If possible, please pass this along to their families, as they deserve recognition for their kind actions. They made me proud to be part of this community.”

Please join me in celebrating Colby Ferri, Khalia DeLario, Joan Mukadi, and Lila Cummings. Congratulations!






Each of you make us proud to serve the Rogers Middle School community!

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By: Linden & Opal

Random Things

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Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

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VIDEO GAME
HYDROGEN
LICORICE
FOOTBALL
PARMESAN
GALLIUM
LIBRARY
NUCLEUS
PENGUIN
GIRAFFE
OXYGEN
CROCUS
BOOK
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