The Week in Review

PLANNING AHEAD

Nov 08, 2017

Vision/Hearing Absent/Rechecks

Nov 09, 2017

School Closed: Professional

Development

Nov 10, 2017

School Closed Veterans' Day

Nov 15, 2017 6:30 PM

PTA Meeting

Nov 22, 2017

School Closed: Thanksgiving

Recess 11/22-11//24

Nov 23, 2017

School Closed: Thanksgiving

Recess 11/22-11//24

Nov 24, 2017

School Closed: Thanksgiving

Recess 11/22-11//24

Dec 07, 2017 4:00 PM

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser

(Leominster)

A Message from Ms. Boyle

■ This week we had the fire department in to teach kindergarten and first grade about fire safety! Thank you to Deputy Chief Tim Kelly and his crew for their commitment to prevention through education. Please scroll down to see pictures.





Our fourth graders spent some time working on science, technology, and engineering in the STEAM Lab. They also spent time using technology to practice math skills. We have some great photos below that captured those learning moments. Dec 22, 2017

School Closed: Winter Recess

12/22-1/1









■ Fifth grade has been very busy! Before they went to Nature's Classroom, they had the opportunity to participate in a presentation hosted by the Princeton Municipal Light Department. During their time with the students, PMLD representatives Chris and Brian shared information about

electricity and how it moves from one point to another. Students learned about fuel sources, voltage, conductors and insulators, electrical safety through demonstrations and models. A **Jacob's Ladder demonstration showed what** electricity looks like when active and a model of the town offered students the chance to see where our electricity comes from. We are so happy that we were able to offer our fifth graders this opportunity to learn more about the science of electricity while at the same time connecting with the community of Princeton. Last week they enjoyed a successful experience at Nature's Classroom in Ocean Park, Maine. Although rainy weather followed us there, the fifth graders did not let that dampen their spirits! Life at Nature's Classroom went on as usual...students enjoyed learning new concepts and ideas through shark dissection, sand castle building, shelter building, and so much more. They explored all areas of the Nature's Classroom property, from the beach, to the marshes and the woods and hiking trails! All time favorite games were played...Gaga Ball (thanks to Mr. Marabello for supervising and guiding students during this activity), Predator Vs. Prey, and many others that students thoroughly enjoyed. Fifth graders also experience a science fair where they explored scientific topics through exciting science demonstrations and a multi-cultural fair, where they were immersed in activities that celebrated cultures across the world. Last, but certainly not least, students learned valuable life skills while living with each other in the "Taj Mahal" (Nature's Classroom dorms) and while enjoying meals together at the dining hall. All in all, a wonderful trip, with great memories and learning to last a lifetime! Enjoy the photos below!









■ The 8th graders had some fun learning and writing about the Plague in a cross curricular activity between History and ELA. After learning about the effect the plague had on Europe, they personified it in some very creative written pieces!



Here are three writing samples from our TPS grade 8 students:

A Black Plague Parody of Another One Bites the Dust by Queen

A surf walks wearily down the street
With a rag pulled down low
Ain't no sound but the sound of his feet
My black Death ready to blow
Are you ready? Are you ready for this?
Are you hanging on the edge of your field?
(Chorus)
Another one gets my plague
Another one gets my plague

Another one gets my plague
And another one gone and another one gone
Another gets the plague

I see a worthless little creature. Small but wise. Desire running through its veins. Its red, beady eyes get smaller. I must travel with this small critter that I have taken over. I get on the boat.

You've probably heard of me by now in textbooks or on a slideshow in history class at some point or another, but if not, I'm The Black Death. Not just your normal everyday death, I'm like some kind of premium-death. I was pretty busy back then, but my days were short-lived in the grand scheme of things. I traveled all over Europe, which many people dream of doing, but it wasn't some luxury trip.

■ The TPS Consumable Pantry We need:

- Resealable Storage Bags of all sizes-(heavy duty is preferred)
- Sticky notes
- Toothpicks
- Tongue depressors
- Vinegar

Please drop off at the main office! Thank you!



Talent Show at Nature's Classroom



Fun at Nature's Classroom

Please check out this link if you are interested in learning more about MCAS:

http://www.doe.mass.edu/mc as/parents/



Coming up next week!

Next week is a three day week for our students. On Thursday during Professional Development our teachers will be working on Project Lead the Way and ways to improve our STEAM programming at TPS.

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Learn more on November 15th at 6:30 pm!

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

When will we find out more information about the Grade 8 DC trip?

There is an informational meeting on November 28th at 6pm. All grade 8 families are invited to learn more about our trip.



WARRIOR(s) OF THE WEEK

This week we would like to give a shout out to our PTA who supports our school in so many ways! From planning Spirit Day, coordinating enrichment activities, painting the playground to purchasing classroom rugs, headphones, and chrome books! Thank

you for EVERYTHING you do for the TPS community. We appreciate you!

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