



## PLANNING AHEAD

**Feb 14, 2018**  
**NAEP testing**

**Feb 14, 2018**  
**Rob Surette, painter**

**Feb 14 & 15, 2018 6 p.m.**  
**Middle School Play**

**Feb 19, 2018**  
**School Closed: February Recess**

**Mar 08, 2018 10:00 AM**  
**Half Day: Professional Development**

**Mar 29, 2018**  
**Half Day: Professional Development**



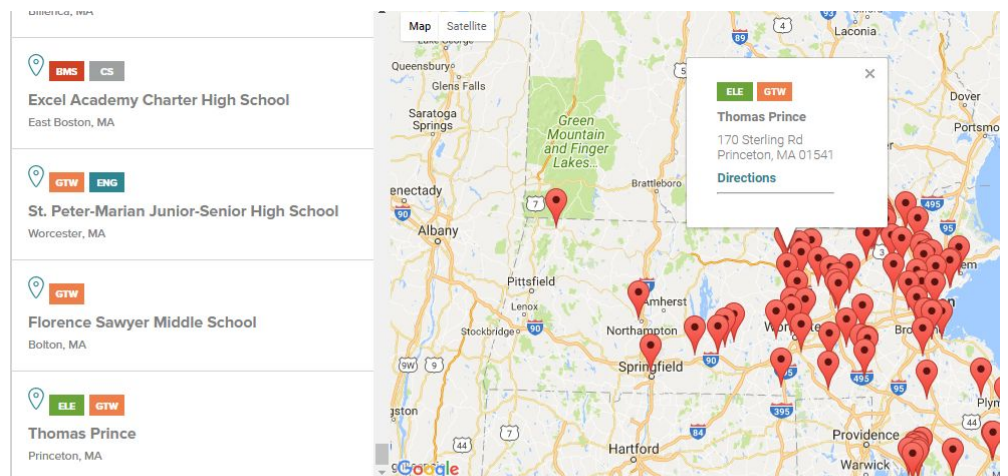
## *A Message from Ms. Boyle*

**Happy 100 Days of School!!**

On Wednesday, February 14th, a random sample of our grade 8 students will participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress. This is not a traditional assessment, but rather a performance task in which kids will be asked to engage in the design process! For more information about the Technology and Engineering Literacy Assessment please check out this website: <https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/tel/>

Once again we put ourselves on the map!

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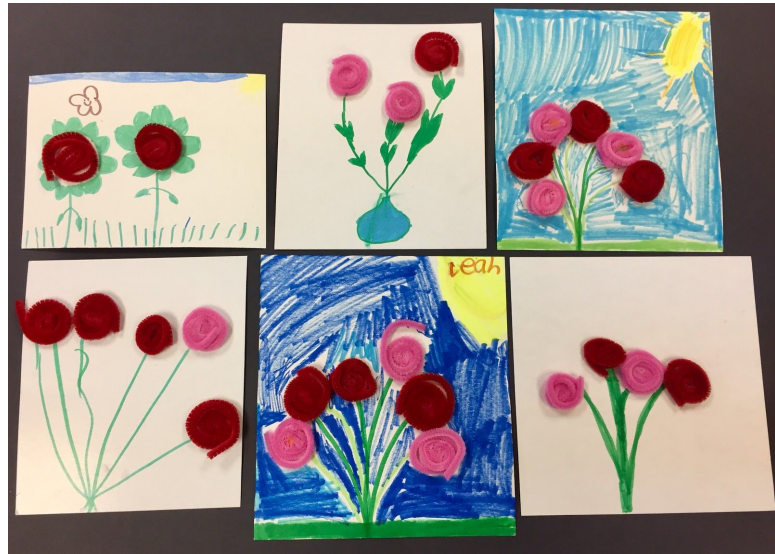
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In Art class, some of the Middle School classes got their work back from glaze-firing. The "Kaleidoscope glaze" lived up to its name and delivered beautiful results. The glaze has tiny crystals of colors, that burst open during the kiln-firing to create a vibrant and saturated color combination.



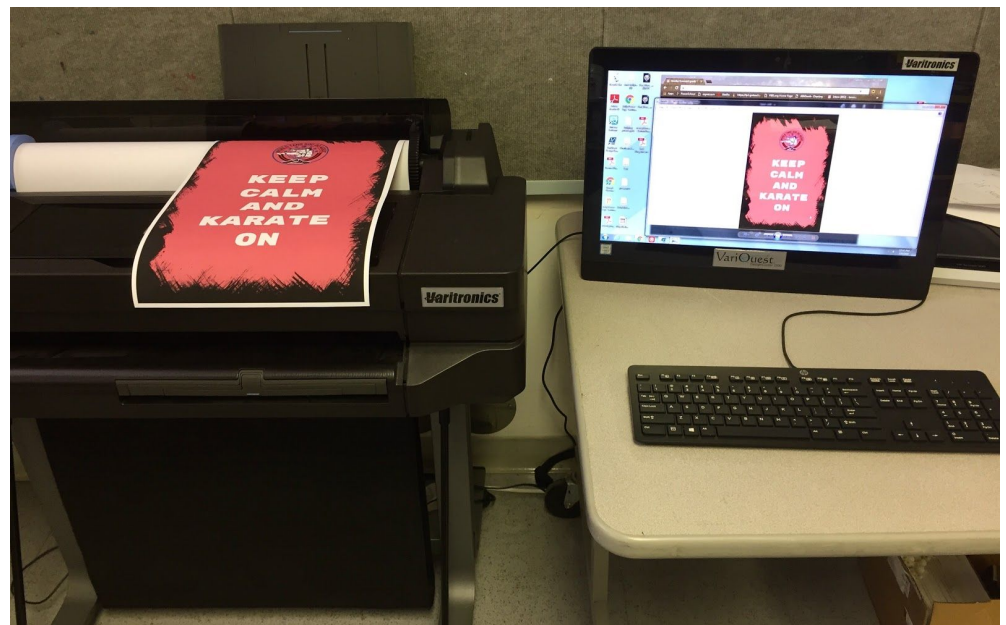
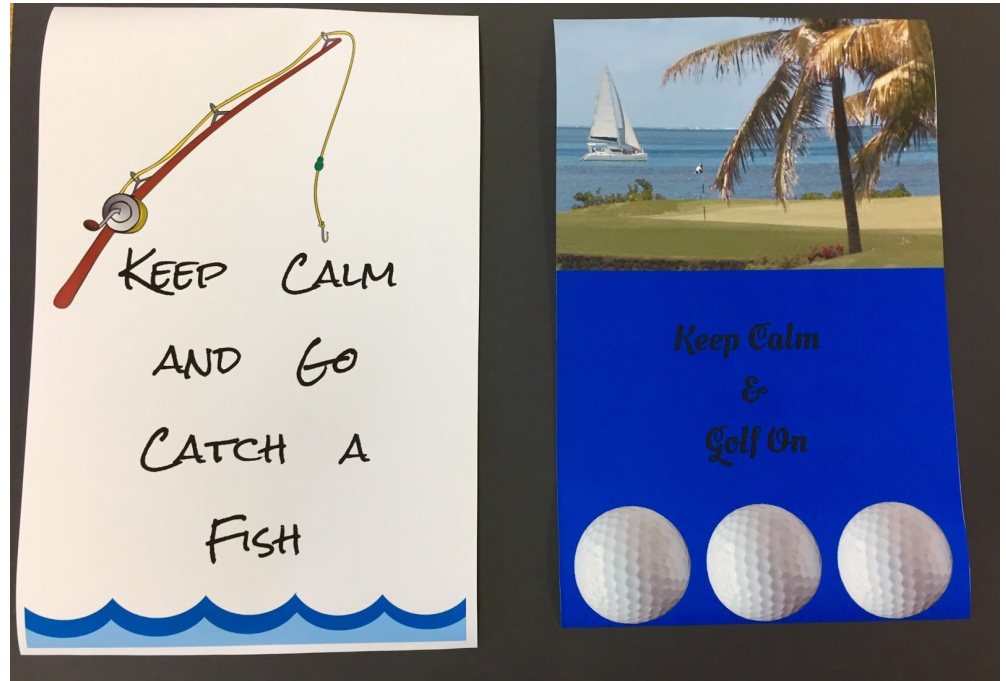
Grades K-2 worked on getting their Valentines inventory stocked-up for Feb 14th. They used pipe-cleaners to create flowers by twirling them in a spiral shape. They then glued them onto card stock and designed around them to create their bouquets. They added sweet message to the back.

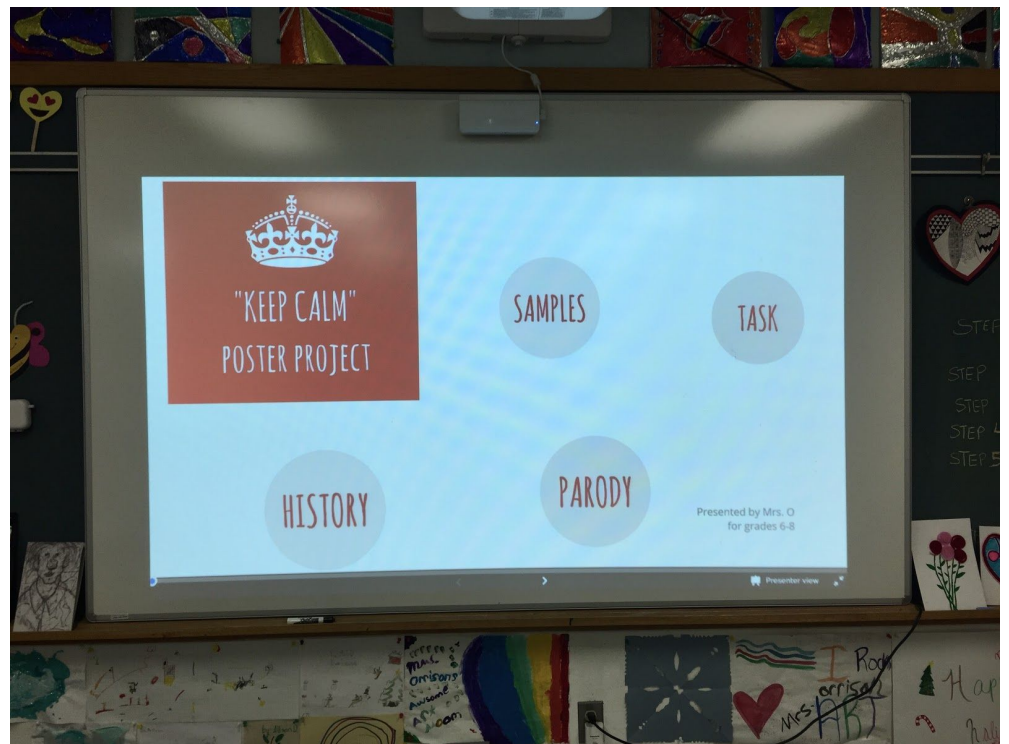
And, who doesn't love a good Emoji, or a "Bee-My-Valentine" ?





The 7th and 8th grade classes learned about the history of the "Keep Calm and Carry On" poster. They then sketched their own versions of the parody, and prepared a draft version. I introduced a design program called Gravit Designer to them on the SmartBoard. We then went down to the computer lab and they worked on their first digital design piece. After a bit of troubleshooting, I was able to print their posters "in-house."







Second grade worked cooperatively in groups of three to construct something out of 100 legos. They had to plan out their project, carefully select their 100 pieces, build together, and then write about the process. They had a blast!





**Reminder to parents to check their student's lunch balance.  
Thank you!!**



### Important Safety Reminder about Parent Pick-Up

Please do not idle. Once parents are in the "pick-up zone" **cars must be turned off.** As children see their rides pull into the "pick-up" zone they will raise their hands up and wait for teachers to announce to "Load up" before heading towards their car. The teachers will then assure that the students get into the correct cars safely. Once all cars in the pick up area are safely loaded, drivers may turn their engines on at this time. This rotation will continue until all are picked up.

### Coming up next week!

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

<http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/parents/>



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TPS Theater Club Presents

## The Adventures of Sherlock

Adapted by Jon Jory



**Date: February 14th & February 15th**  
**Time: 6:00 pm**  
**Location: TPS Cafeteria**  
**Cost: \$5 per ticket (Tickets sold at the door.)**

Run time: 105 minutes Refreshments sold at intermission.

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## WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

Thanks to Mr. Bruce Mercier for stepping up into the acting head custodian role at TPS. Your humble, kind demeanor has made it an absolute pleasure to work with you for the past several months. You are an honorary lifetime Warrior!

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