

YORKVILLE EAST NEWS

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Upcoming Events

Monday

- Open Gym @ 8am
- Spirit Week - Crazy Hair Day!
- M.Y. After-School

Tuesday

- Spirit Week - YEMS Spirit Wear!
- PTA Bake Sale
- M.Y. After-School

Wednesday

- Open Gym @ 8am
- PTA General Meeting @ 8:45
- Spirit Week - Wacky Wednesday!
- M.Y. After-School

Thursday

- Open Gym @ 8am
- Spirit Week - Sports Jersey Day!
- SLT Meeting @ 8am
- M.Y. After-School

Friday

- Open Gym @ 8am
- Spirit Week - Pajama/ Comfy Clothes Day!
- M.Y. After-School



ELA Breakfast

Yorkville East families enjoyed a breakfast hosted by our ELA department on Tuesday. We were so happy to see so many families joining us! Thank you to the ELA department for hosting a great breakfast!

PTA Announcements

Thank you to those who participated in today's **T-shirt sale!** **We will have another T-shirt sale on Monday, December 17th 8:35-9:00am** in time for Spirit Week. **New YEMS 2018 T-shirts are \$20. We can accept cash or checks (checks payable to MS177 PTA)**

This year, we are creating the new position of Class Parent. This is an exciting opportunity to become more involved in your



child's education and overall experience at Yorkville East. If you are interested in being the Class Parent for your child's class this current 2018-2019 school year, please complete the form <https://goo.gl/forms/qNgfAeB6MGsS5V2r2>

Tuesday, 12/18 Bake Sale @ 8:35am-9:00am and 6th Period Lunch. All items will be \$1 and proceeds will benefit Yorkville East Students.

We need your help! Please donate individually wrapped home baked treats or individually wrapped store baked goods. We ask that you keep them nut-free please! (<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a49aca922a5f49-ms177yemsi>) Please bring donations to the PTA office either Monday, December 17th from 8:35-9:00am or Tuesday, December 18th from 8:35-9:00am.

Wednesday, 12/19 at 8:45am, PTA General Meeting - Please join us at the upcoming PTA meeting at which we will discuss PTA finances and ways to enhance our school.

MS177 YEMS Annual Fund - Please keep YEMS in mind this holiday season and contribute to the Annual Fund to help reach the PTA goal of 100% family participation. Every contribution counts and will go toward further teacher professional development, critical educational materials (i.e. books) and parent engagement events. Spread the word!

As always, please go to the school website to donate at www.ms177.org/giving and to learn more about the PTA at www.ms177.org/pta.

Getting to Know Your Adolescent

Bedrooms Become Hideouts

During adolescence, it is natural for a child to pull away from parents and seek more privacy. This need for more psychological and personal space coincides with increased responsibility and independence. As a parent, it is necessary to allow this separation while defining clear expectations and establishing trust.

Ways to respect your adolescent's privacy while building trust include asking permission to look into a backpack and knocking before entering the room. As a family, you can set boundaries and ground rules which may be altered as your child matures. Include and adhere to consequences, such as reduced screen time, should these expectations not be met.

Openly inform your child if you will be monitoring texts, social media and internet usage. This monitoring will provide needed emotional support and encourage them to make better, safer choices. Children who are aware parents are consistently checking activity are more likely to have a higher self esteem and be more resilient in challenging times.

Source: raisingchildren.net.au



Class Corner

Students at Yorkville East accomplished a lot this week! Over dinner or while walking to the subway, be sure to ask your child about what they are learning in school!

6th Grade:

ELA: In ELA, we conducted a read aloud and analyzed two movie clips to more closely examine the relationship between characters and setting.

Social Studies: In 6th grade Social Studies, students began studying world religions and conducting a group research project.

Math: 6th grade is applying their knowledge of percentages and the number system to enter the Shark Tank! These entrepreneurs will endure grueling challenges as they face adversity in the business world!

Science: This week we started exploring and discussing matter.

Spanish: In Spanish, students are learning to describe clothing and conjugate verbs.

Physical Education: Students worked on activities that involved cardiovascular endurance. They continued working on their fitness circuit as they reflect on the first couple of weeks and set new goals.

Art: 6th grade artists are continuing to work on drawing their self portraits.

7th Grade:

ELA: This week in 7th grade ELA, students learned ways to analyze nonfiction texts, and chose nonfiction topics to research!

Social Studies: In 7th grade Social Studies, students began research projects about the Revolutionary War.

Math: 7th Graders are learning how to shop with percents! Students are learning new strategies and tricks to finding the final price of items.

Science: 7th grade is looking at different perspectives regarding space travel.

Spanish: In Spanish, students are learning to describe clothing and conjugate verbs.

Physical Education: Students worked on activities that involved cardiovascular endurance. They continued working on their fitness circuit as they reflect on the first couple of weeks and set new goals.



Art: 7th grade artists are finishing their pen and ink exquisite corpse drawings.

8th Grade:

ELA: 8th graders spent this week in ELA applying all they've learned about reading dystopian fiction to a new dystopian fiction book.

Social Studies: In 8th grade social studies, students wrapped up their study of the Industrial Revolution and Immigration and began to study the Progressive Era.

Math: In 8th grade Algebra I, students have been looking at the difference between equations and inequalities, and learning strategies to solve both types. New ideas have included visual models, and what to do when variables are on both sides of the equal sign/inequality symbol.

Science: 8th grade has been learning about the Endocrine system and how glands function in the body.

Spanish: In Spanish, students are learning to describe clothing and conjugate verbs.

Physical Education: Students worked on activities that involved cardiovascular endurance. They continued working on their fitness circuit as they reflect on the first couple of weeks and set new goals.

Art: 8th grade artists are mixing tints, shades, and muted colors to express a chosen feeling.

Health: We finished discussing marijuana and discussed what responsibilities we have for ourselves to be successful.

