

YORKVILLE EAST NEWS

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Upcoming Events

Monday

- No School - Midwinter Recess

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Friday

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Have a Nice Break!

We had an exciting week leading up to break! Our Debate and Basketball teams reached huge milestones, while our 6th grade went on a trip to the MET. As we wind down from an exciting week, we want to wish everyone a happy and relaxing break!

PTA Announcements

Thank you to everyone who donated tasty treats for yesterday's bake sale! It was a big success!

We would like to welcome our Class Parents! They will be reaching out to families soon.

February 22-March 17 NY International Children's Film Festival. Each ticket sale will raise \$3 toward our school's PTA! Go to nyciff.org to purchase tickets and for further information.

Wednesday, 2/27 @ 8:45am General PTA meeting. Please join us!



Thursday, 3/7 @ 8:30am Coffee & Chat. Please join us for our monthly get-together with coffee and a light breakfast in the PTA Office. We will be discussing Class Parent ideas/tips and Auction planning!

It is not too late to contribute to the annual fund! Please go to the school website to donate at www.msi77.org/giving.

You can learn more about the PTA at www.msi77.org/pta.

Weekly Announcements

YEMS Debate Team - Our YEMS Debate Team did a fantastic job at their tournament this past weekend! Vivian Y. and Timmy J. placed 1st as a team in Open Public Forum, with Vivian placing as the top speaker in their bracket. Additionally, Cameron C. and Sadie W. placed 8th as a team, and Ella M. and Olivia P. placed 7th as a team in their bracket. We are so proud of all our debaters! Keep up the great work!

YEMS Athletics- All 3 of our basketball teams have done amazing work this season, earning them all places in the playoffs! Additionally, our Varsity Boys team broke a Yorkville East record, by earning the largest margin of victory with a 41-point win against MAT. We hope you can all come out and support the Yorkville East Eagles in their playoff games after break! Our Boys and Girls Varsity teams will be playing on 2/25 at Harbor Middle School, and our Boys JV team will be playing on 2/27 at Basketball City to face NEST Middle School. Good luck to our Yorkville East Eagles!

Special Election - There will be a special election on Tuesday, February 26th. Upon arrival that morning, students will enter via the door leading to the small cafeteria (to the right of the main entrance).

Getting to Know Your Adolescent

Preparing for the State ELA Test

In preparation for the State ELA test on April 2nd & 3rd, the parenting tips for the next several weeks will focus on how you can best support your child at home.

Today's tip is to encourage your child to read as much as possible on a daily basis. Perhaps as a family you can visit your local library to help your child choose captivating books in various genres. The following information proves that every minute of reading counts!

Minutes Read Per Day - 10

Read Each Year - 622,000 words

Add an Additional 10 minutes Each Day - 1,269,917 words

Minutes Read Per Day - 20



Read Each Year - 1,823,000 words

Add an Additional 10 minutes Each Day - 2,686,981 words

Minutes Read Per Day - 65

Read Each Year - 4,358,000 words

Add an Additional 10 minutes Each Day - 5,028,462 words

Source: Disrupting Thinking by Beers and Probst

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: This week in ELA, we wrapped up our social issues book club unit. We also did a close reading of the short story, "Raymond's Run" by Toni Cade Bambara.

Social Studies: In 6th grade Social Studies, students wrapped up their unit on Ancient Egypt and took a tour of the Arts of Ancient Egypt at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Math: 6th graders are just wrapping up learning about the coordinate grid and getting excited to dive into their geometry unit!

Science: This week in Science, we finished writing our owl essays, and we started discussing and exploring limiting factors!

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

Physical Education: Students are beginning their unit on invasion games and learning how to create space.

Art: 6th grade artists are drawing objects from observation using contour lines.

7th Grade:

ELA: This week in ELA, students began their social issues book clubs. They learned new ways to analyze their characters in order to deepen their thinking when reading. They studied character relationships, and the power imbalances that exist in those relationships. They wrote about these relationships in a reading entry, and backed up their ideas with evidence from the text.



Social Studies: In 7th grade Social Studies, students learned about the powers of the president and began to study the Electoral College system.

Math: 7th grade students have been solving multi step equations. They also learned to write equations to represent situations.

Science: 7th grade has researched and taught their peers about different types of Electromagnetic Waves i.e Radio, Micro, Infrared, UV, X-ray, & Gamma.

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

Physical Education: Students are beginning their unit on invasion games and learning how to make a lead pass.

Art: 7th grade artists are learning that one point perspective is a technique to show space and depth.

8th Grade:

ELA: In 8th Grade ELA, students planned and drafted their policy letters. They began revisions on Friday.

Social Studies: In 8th grade Social Studies, students completed their study of United States imperialism and will begin studying World War I next week.

Math: In 8th grade Algebra I, students finished up their Unit 4 assessment, about Systems of Equations. Grades for this assessment should be posted over the weekend. If a student would like a retake opportunity, they should make corrections and return corrections to me by Thursday next week. At the end of this week, we began Unit 5, which is our first deep study of Quadratic Functions. Please have your student let me know if they own a TI-84 Calculator at home!

Science: We debated whether humans are a product of nature (genetics) or nurture (the environment).

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

Physical Education: Students are beginning their unit on invasion games and learning how to make a lead pass and try it in gameplay.

Art: 8th grade artists are finishing their Spirit Animal project, focusing on the principles of emphasis and contrast.

Health: Students recently finished their violence and injury prevention unit and will have a test when they return from break.

