

# YORKVILLE EAST NEWS

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## Upcoming Events

### **Monday**

- Open Gym @ 8am
- M.Y. After-School

### **Tuesday**

- Open Gym @ 8am
- M.Y. After-School

### **Wednesday**

- Open Gym @ 8am
- PTA Bake Sale
- Math Madness
- M.Y. After-School
- PTA Meeting @ 6:30pm

### **Thursday**

- Open Gym @ 8am
- SLT Meeting @ 8am
- Math Madness
- M.Y. After-School - First Session Only. Dismissal @ 4:40pm

### **Friday**

- No School - Spring Recess



## Student Speeches

On Monday night, Izzy L., Lillian K-M., and Jayda M. gave speeches on school integration in New York City at the Community Education Council meeting. We are so proud of all of our students for using their voices to advocate for changes they are passionate about. Well done!

### ***PTA Announcements***

**Join us for the Beach Ball! Friday, May 3rd 7:00 PM-10:00 PM** at Madison Ave Presbyterian Church Hall (921 Madison Avenue, between 74th/73rd Street). Ticket sales are available at <https://ms177yemsbeachball.eventbrite.com/> [pta@ms177.org](mailto:pta@ms177.org).



Auction donations can be dropped off on Wednesday, 4/17 between 8:30 - 9:30 AM in the PTA Office, or at the Main Office. You can also email us at [pta@ms177.org](mailto:pta@ms177.org) to arrange a time to drop off items.

We are seeking donations of auction items, underwriting support, and auction planning committee members to make this a night to remember and to raise critical funds for our school and students!

**Wednesday, 4/17 Bake Sale** - Our next bake sale is next Wednesday at arrival and during 6th period lunch. Please drop off individually wrapped, nut-free home baked goods (we have plenty of store bought items).

**Wednesday, 4/17 @ 6:30 PM. General PTA meeting.** Guest Speaker Rhetta Barron will teach us about Restorative Justice Circles. This wonderful interactive experience demonstrates how to use circles and other conflict-reducing strategies at home with this non-judgmental and supportive practice.

## *Getting to Know Your Adolescent*

### **Ways to Practice Numeracy in Everyday Life**

With the NYS Math tests coming up on May 1st and 2nd, following are a few fun ways to incorporate numeracy into your everyday life:

- Bake a tasty treat with your child. Change the quantity of the servings and calculate the new measurements of ingredients.
- Go shopping. Have your child calculate discounts and markdowns for various items.
- Plan a family dinner at home. Your child can help to determine the quantity of food needed and then coordinate the budget and shopping list with all necessary ingredients.
- Go to an arcade. Count your money in advance and plan how you will spend it.
- Enjoy dinner at a restaurant. Have your child calculate the tip and final bill amount.
- Have your child calculate the square footage of a bedroom. Using this information, devise a plan to rearrange the furniture.
- Go for a walk. Ask your child to calculate the total distance you covered. (1 block = 1/20 of a mile)
- Calculate the price of a taxi ride from point A to point B. Take into consideration different surcharges throughout the day.

## *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 forged ahead with our fantasy unit. We began to analyze *The Lightning Thief* and *Harry Potter*, looking for elements of fantasy.

**Social Studies:** In 6th grade Social Studies, students analyzed the lives of Roman soldiers and the role of the military in Ancient Rome.

**Math:** 6th graders have been studying area and perimeter of rectangles, triangles, and other compound shapes. We are preparing to look at some pretty complex shapes before moving into 3D!

**Science:** We explored and discussed the relationship between volume and air pressure.

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

**Physical Education:** Students have been working on ball control in various types of games while using different forms of equipment.

**Art:** 6th grade artists have been designing personal symbols for printmaking.

### 7th Grade:

**ELA:** In 7th grade ELA, we launched our historical fiction unit. Students had a “book tasting” to preview their new book choices, and met with their new book clubs.

**Social Studies:** In 7th grade Social Studies, students examined the presidency of James Monroe, focusing on the Monroe Doctrine and the Missouri Compromise.

**Math:** 7th graders finished up their statistics unit by learning about IQR and Box and Whisker Plots. Then students started their test prep lessons; so far we have reviewed ratios, unit rates, proportions, and percents.

**Science:** Students created atom models of different elements and researched important facts relevant to their element.

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

**Physical Education:** Students have been working on ball control in various types of games while using different forms of equipment.

**Art:** 7th grade artists are drawing their graffiti tag designs.



**8th Grade:**

**ELA:** In 8th grade ELA, students drafted and revised their dystopian fiction stories. They will share their final draft with their classmates on Monday!

**Social Studies:** In 8th grade Social Studies, students examined the causes of World War II.

**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. 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:** Students looked at homologous structures and embryonic stages of development. This will be used to analyze and infer evolutionary relationships.

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

**Physical Education:** Students have been working on ball control in various types of games and within gameplay while using different forms of equipment.

**Art:** 8th grade artists are completing their hero portraits inspired by Kehinde Wiley and Amy Sberald.

**Health:** Students recently completed a test on positive and negative relationships.

