

MAPLETON  
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SCHOOL

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# Chronicles of the Middle Mounties

## DECEMBER DATES

December 7	Remote Learning Day
December 14	Remote Learning Day
December 21- January 1	No School (Winter Break)
January 3	School Resumes



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# Principal's Message

Happy Holidays!! As you will notice below, our focus for this month is gratitude and hope. As you navigate this holiday season, I hope that you will take the same approach. While this year has presented an unique set of challenges, I hope that you are able to find the little things that give you reason to have hope for a great holiday and a brighter outlook. Also, I would encourage each of you to take a moment to show appreciation to someone who has helped you navigate some of life's stressful moments over the past year. Most of all, I hope each of you have a safe and happy holiday season!!

Enjoy the issue,

Skip Fulton  
Principal

## DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS AVAILABLE ONLINE!!

Did you know the middle school daily announcements can be viewed online at the Mapleton Middle School website? Visit the website and look for the "Daily Announcements" tab. You can also bookmark the following link: [Daily Announcements](#). Announcements are usually updated by 8:30am every school day.



**DECEMBER  
CHARACTER  
STRENGTHS**

Gratitude  
Hope





# Students of the Week – November

The following students were recognized as Student of the Week during the month of November.

## Will Sas

Will was nominated by Mrs. Swanson. “Will is always so willing to help other students! Whether he helps students build their catapults or study for their figurative language assessment, he is always there for his peers!”

## Dalton Mahoney

Dalton was nominated by Mrs. Hennessy and Mrs. Steffen. Dalton found \$10 in the hall and turned it in to Mrs. Steffen last week. Mrs. Hennessy says, “Dalton has proven to be both honest and respectful this school year. Dalton is also an active participator in class discussion, which is appreciated.”

## Bailey Hartman

Nominated by Mrs. Kuschel, she says, “Bailey is a great team player and is happy to work with anyone in class. She is always so enthusiastic about class and school in general. She keeps a positive attitude with everything that she does.”





## Boys' Basketball

December 2	Wednesday	5:30pm	Crestview
December 5	Saturday	10:00am	Western Reserve
December 7	Monday	5:30pm	@Loudonville
December 9	Wednesday	5:30pm	South Central
December 12	Saturday	10:00am	@Monroeville
December 15	Tuesday	5:00pm	@Plymouth
December 17	Thursday	5:30pm	New London
December 19	Saturday	10:00am	@St. Paul

## Girls' Basketball

December 1	Tuesday	5:30pm	Crestview
December 5	Saturday	11:00am	@Western Reserve
December 8	Tuesday	5:00pm	@South Central
December 12	Saturday	10:00am	Monroeville
December 15	Tuesday	5:00pm	@New London
December 16	Wednesday	5:30pm	Plymouth
December 19	Saturday	10:00am	St. Paul

## Wrestling

December 11	Friday	TBD	@Smithville
December 28	Monday	TBD	@Loudonville
December 29	Tuesday	TBD	Mapleton Tourney

# Middle School Athletics





# In the Classroom



When teachers work together long enough they start to think alike and don't have to organize the dress for that day. It just happens naturally!! Mr. Coffey doesn't seem impressed, though.

## Veterans Honor Bus

Led by Mrs. Swanson and the social studies department, Mapleton Middle School paid tribute to our local veterans by donating money to sponsor

a veteran to take a trip to Washington, D.C. on the Veterans Honor Bus. The cost to sponsor one veteran is \$255. Mapleton Middle School students and staff raised enough money to sponsor 6 veterans. Great job Mounties!!!!





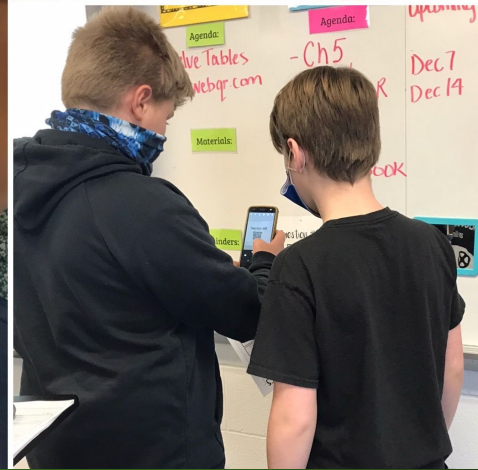
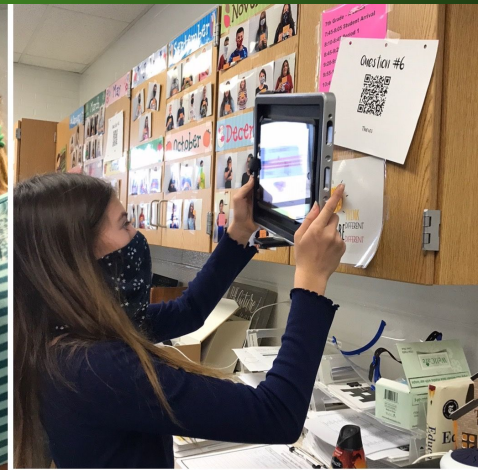
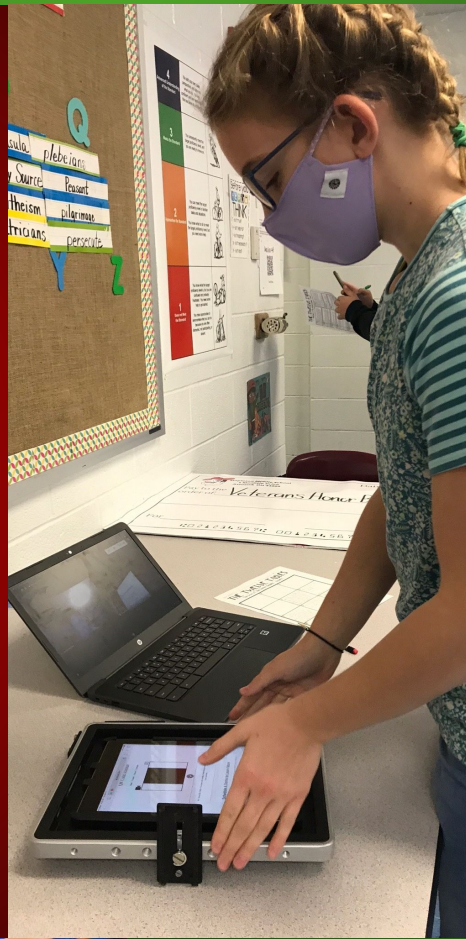
# In the Classroom

## World Studies

World Studies-Students honored Veterans Day by writing letters to veterans and by donation to the Veteran Honor Bus Sponsorship. Students have begun their study of Ancient Rome. They are learning about Roman Laws and how their geographical location influenced many of the things they had. (See picture of QR activity. )

## Mythology

Quarter 2 students completed a Pandora's Box project. I'm hey have just began reading the Lightning Thief novel.



Congratulations to Michael Oxenrider who was the overall winner of the 7th grade catapult STEM challenge!!!



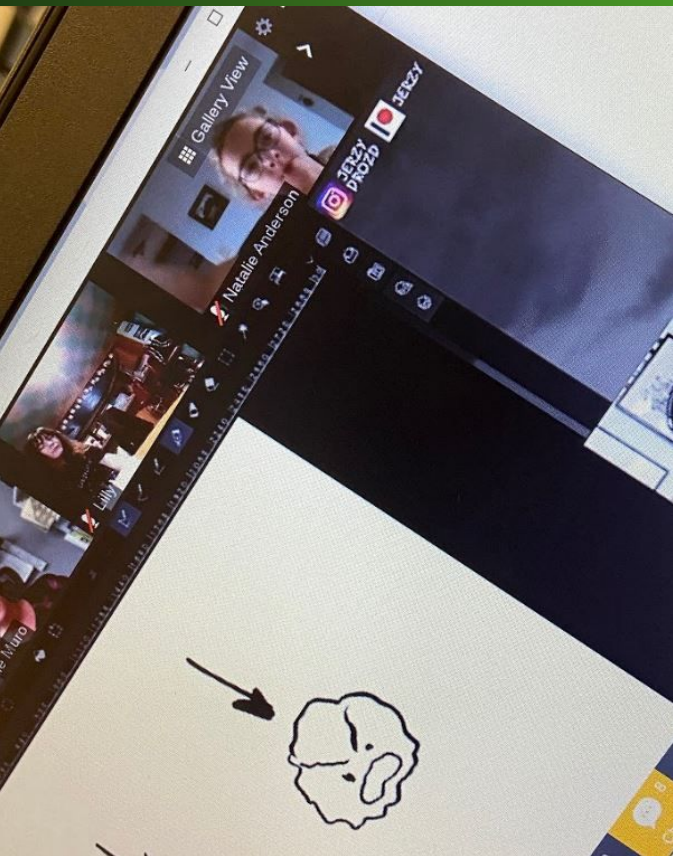


# In the Classroom

## ELA 7

On the November 5 remote learning day, students had the opportunity to attend a cartooning in literature workshop by a guest artist via zoom. Several seventh graders pictured here took advantage of the tri-county sponsored virtual event.

Seventh graders got into the holiday spirit a little early this year as they began reading Charles Dickens' famous work "A Christmas Carol" in a play format. Students have loved acting out their roles, and even remote students have been able to join in with reading their parts. We will continue to work on learning about the genre of drama into December.

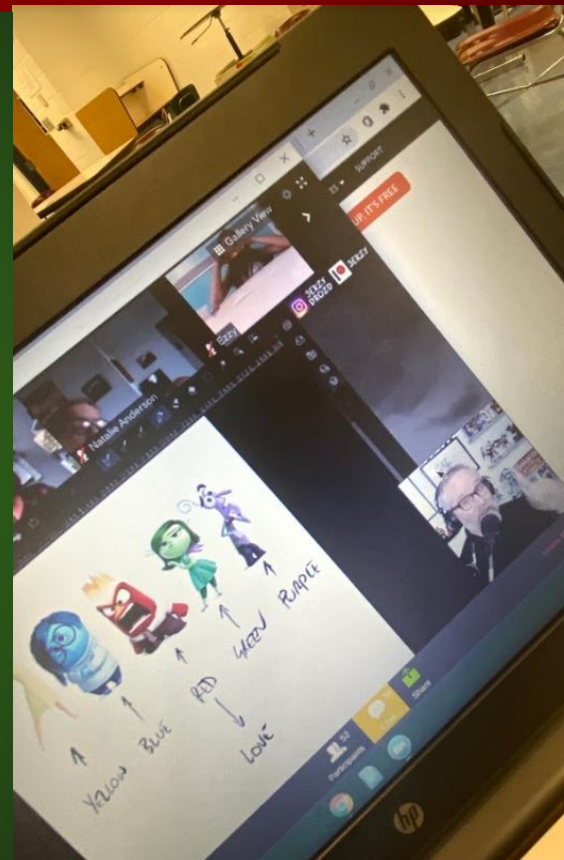


## Math 7

Students have been learning about unit rates, proportional relationships and learning to write and solve proportional relationships. Students are learning and discovering through note-taking, scavenger hunts, task cards, and partner work.

## Mountie News

The quarter two crew just published their second issue, which can be accessed on the Mapleton Middle School webpage.





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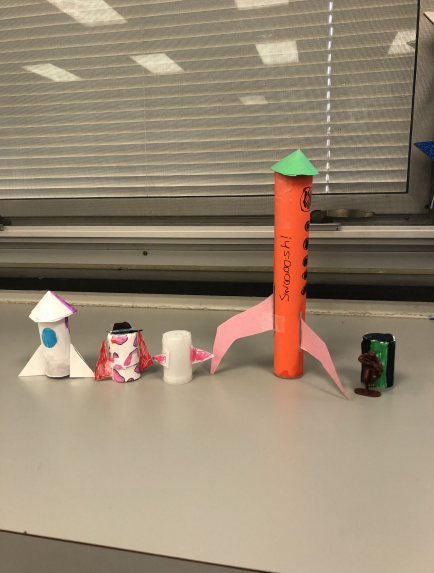
## Public Speaking

We've just finished our "How-To" speeches. Students demonstrated things in front of the class like how to change a bike tire, how to do a magic trick, and even how to do a TikTok dance.



## Social Studies 6

We're wrapping up our economics unit learning about how global trade occurs when countries around the world specialize in goods and services. Students will be completing study guides and the final assessment in class, and then we'll begin our trading partners poster project in class after Thanksgiving.



## Flight and Space

Students designed, built, and "piloted" kites and bottle rockets to as an introduction to engineering and design principles.





# Ohio Energy Project

7th Grade Science is once again partnering with Firelands Electric Co-Operative to bring their Ohio Energy Project to the classroom and their homes.

Ohio Energy Project (OEP) is proud to partner with your local electric and/or natural gas provider to bring our award-winning energy efficiency program to your student's classroom. As a non-profit organization, OEP's goal is to spark curiosity about energy in every student that we reach. Our energy efficiency program affords students the opportunity to explore energy science in the classroom and put their knowledge to the test at home, connecting science content standards with real world experience.

With your support, students will be able to engage with science at home by installing energy saving measures from the Energy Efficiency Kit provided by your sponsoring utility. Once installed, these energy saving measures provide families the opportunity to see how low-cost and no-cost measures can make a substantial difference in lowering energy usage. If you rent your home, we recommend that you check with your landlord prior to making any modifications.

The Student and Family Guide will allow your student to do additional research on energy usage and will help demonstrate how efforts to save energy can make a difference. At the end of the lessons there is a Family Installation Survey to be completed. This survey, found at [www.ohioenergy.org](http://www.ohioenergy.org), will allow your student to report on the measures installed and is completely anonymous.

We are thrilled that your family will be participating in this educational opportunity with thousands of other families across Ohio. We encourage you to contact your student's teacher with any questions you might have. If you are not interested in receiving a free Energy Efficiency Kit, please contact your student's teacher.





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