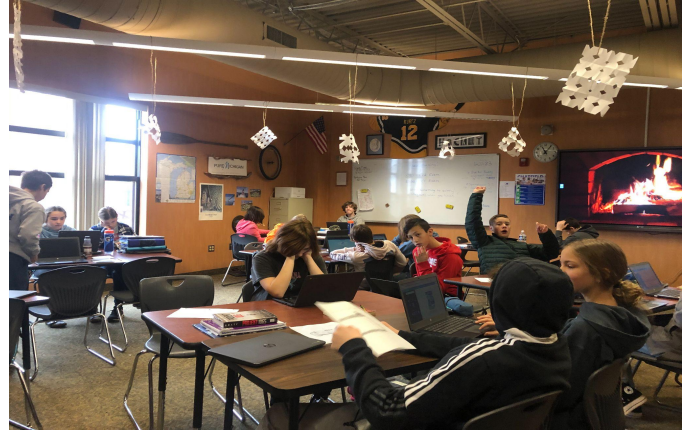


Seventh Grade Newsletter

January 23rd, 2023



Upcoming Events

1/17-1/27 Butter Braid Fundraiser (money due 1/27; delivered frozen on week of 2/6)
1-27 Report cards will be sent home; please sign and return the envelope
2/6 Pure Michigan payment is due February 6 for students and chaperones
2/4 Chatfield Winter Fest and Chili Cookoff

S.E.L. Lessons

In this week's lesson, your child will learn how their brain handles strong emotions and brainstorm positive and negative decisions they might make when they feel a strong emotion.

Curriculum Notes

ELA: Students will begin reading the novel *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis. They will be working in a digital notebook as we read to work on characterization, conflict, theme, and other story elements. When we complete the novel, students will respond to a writing prompt to write a response to literature.

Social Studies: Students will finish their activities working in their Springboard books learning about Informational Texts related to Ancient History. They will also begin learning about what led to the emergence and collapse of large scale empires.

Science: We will begin our unit *Save the Penguins*, a STEM unit where students will learn science concepts related to heat and energy as well as teach them about the basics of engineering design. Their goal is to build a shelter for an ice-cube shaped penguin that reduces heat transfer and keeps the ice from melting. They will work in small groups, so teamwork is a skill we will focus on as well.

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