

It's Happening in 8th Grade

January 2011

In Our Classes Right Now:

January Events

- 13-Jan Boys Bball @High
- 13-Jan End 2nd Quarter
- 17-Jan No School
- 20-Jan Boys Bball w/ W ap.
- 24-Jan Boys Bball @ L&M
- 27-Jan Boys Bball w/CJ
- 28-Jan Dance 7-10 p.m.

Language Arts:

We have written our first 5 paragraph essays. The topic was an alien from one of the planets of the solar system. This coordinates with science. This essay included three facts about the planet.

Science:

We've entered Astronomy. Your student has made an alien from one of the nine planets of our solar system and presented it to the class. Time was spent in the computer lab to investigate the planet and find three facts to be used in the essay.

Math:

Students will be working on inequalities and multi-step equations. The topic is an Algebra prep one, designed to help them gain an understanding of their math as Freshmen.

Social Studies:

Students will be studying WWI and performing a play re-enacting the assassination of Franz Ferdinand and his wife .



Odds and Ends

Missing Tuesday, January 18 means we will be making up that snow day on May 25.

Please continue to encourage your student to read their RAPP books.

It's cold and flu season again. We're all encouraging hand washing to stop the spread of germs.



Here's what some students have to say...

Book Review by Abigail Coates

I just finished the Gallagher Academy Series. The three books; *I'd Tell You I Love You, But Then I'd Have To Kill You*, *Cross My Heart and Hope To Spy*, and *Don't Judge A Girl By Her Cover* are good books for someone looking for something different. They are about a girl who is training to be a spy at an exclusive school that everyone thinks is a school for rich and snobbish girls. The series is a good read and is very enjoyable.



Iowa Hawkeyes win the Insight Bowl

By Tyler Aamodt

The Iowa Hawkeyes came into the Insight Bowl with a 7-5 record. Playing against the Missouri Tigers that was ranked 14th in the country with a 10-2 record. But the Hawkeyes were not going to go down without a fight as they came out of the locker room on fire. Because on their first drive they marched down the field for a touchdown. Missouri knew they were in for a fight as well as they marched down the field but only came up with 3 points so at the time it was 7 to 3 Hawkeyes. On the next series for the Hawkeyes they had to punt

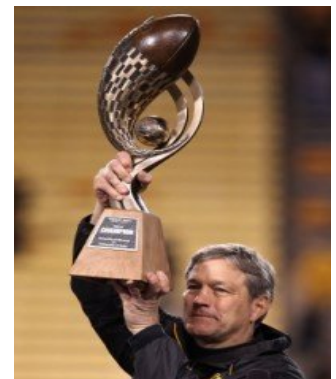
the ball away and Missouri on their next drive had to punt it away as well and the Hawkeyes big play maker on the day #34 Marcus Coker ran it in for a touchdown all the way back at the 42 yard line and it was 14 to 3 Hawkeyes later Iowa added a field goal to make the lead by fourteen points. Missouri went down the field later to cut the lead to seven. Then right before the half Missouri was threatening to tie the game before half but it was intercepted in the end zone and at the half it was 17 to ten Hawkeyes on top. To start the second half the Hawkeyes

moved down the field and scored a field goal. So at the time it was 20 to 10 Hawkeyes. But Missouri would not go away as they scored 2 touchdowns on their last two drives and Iowa could not get anything going as Missouri had the lead 24 to 20 with under 5 minutes to go. Just as Missouri was moving down the field to score again it was Iowa's big defense who made the play when it mattered most as Micah Hyde picked off a pass and returned it 73 yards for a touchdown. Missouri went for it on 4th down and did not get it as Iowa

Orion

By Karissa Porterfield

Orion is in the sky everyone! This beautiful constellation appears every January to show itself. Being the constellation with the most stars it's a pretty large sight. Orion was a brave warrior and almighty in power. One unfortunate day though, a scorpion stung him in the foot, and he died. To this day, Orion and the scorpion are never in the sky together.



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