

Banyan School

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Upcoming Events

Event:	For:	Date:	Time:
Parent Meeting	8 th Grade Parents	October 17	6:30 pm
Clubs	All	October 18	1:45 pm
Fire Prevention	All	October 18	11:00 am
Spirit Day	All	October 19	
High School Dinner	8 th Graders	October 19	6:00 pm
Fairfield Farms	All	October 24 – rain date October 30	11:40 am-1:30 pm
STEAM DAY	All	October 25	
Picture Day	All	October 26	9:00 am
Parent Conferences	Parents	November 5,6,7	
Book Fair	All	November 5 - 7	

MRS. PERKINS NEWS

Many exciting accomplishments have occurred this week at Banyan. My second and third period class has completed a unit on digraphs and can read real and nonsense words. We are working on building oral reading fluency and scooping sentences into phrases. In my 4th period class we have been reading the Alba book series. The students are enjoying reading about Alba and her adventures. We are working on reading words with beginning and ending blends in isolation and within the text. Additionally, we are working on retelling a story using relevant details from the text. We look forward to reading book two in the Alba series. In my 7th and 8th period class we are working in 1.6. In this step we are reading and spelling words with the suffixes s and es. We are proud of our progress in identifying the base-word and appropriate ending. Keep up the great work!

The Banyan School Book Fair will be held in the Library from 11/5-11/7. This is a great opportunity to enhance your child's reading experience. If you are unable to attend the fair in person, we invite you to visit the Online Fair at scholastic.com/fair from October 31st to November 13th.



Halloween Events

Parade at 1:00 pm

Trunk or Treat after the Parade

Activities and homeroom parties will be held after Trunk or Treat

MR. HAIN'S CLASS NEWS

Mr. Hain's third and fourth period *FIRST* class has started step 10.3 in the Wilson Reading Program. This substep focuses on encoding and decoding closed syllable words with a suffix. Students are also reading higher level sentences and comprehension stories that include current and previous concepts. I am looking forward to working with this *FIRST* class throughout the school year.

MR. CAMP'S CLASS NEWS

In my two *FIRST* classes, the students have been working hard in the 3rd step of the Wilson Reading System. They are successfully scooping two closed syllable words and reading and spelling words with a schwa sound. They have also learned to add several prefixes to base words. Keep up the hard work!

In my 1st period Social Studies class, the students have begun to learn about the European Explorers. We are discussing the reason for exploration and the important discoveries that were made at this time.

In my 5th period Social Studies class, the students finished learning about Ancient Egypt. They recently completed an in-class project where they built a pyramid out of cardboard and placed a wrapped mummy on the outside. These will be in display in the media center for all to see.

Finally, in my 9th period Social Studies class, the students finished learning about the Civil War and have been learning about the 3 Reconstruction Amendments (13th, 14th, and 15th) that were aimed to help the newly freed slaves. Soon we will begin learning about World War I.



MRS. MICHEL'S SCIENCE NEWS

Trout eggs have arrived! The students are very excited about having the trout eggs in the science room. They observe the eggs each day anxiously awaiting for them to hatch.

Science students are learning about the circulatory system. They are labeling the different parts of the heart and they visualized how the blood traveled through the heart and back to the lungs.



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MS. MITOFSKY'S CLASS NEWS

In my reading classes periods 1 and 5, we are starting to read novels and applying the skills we've been using in class. We are making great predictions about what we think will happen in the story. We are also making inferences by using evidence and clues from the text and pictures. In periods 7 and 8 we are finishing up the campaign speeches. Students are running for either class representative or 8th grade president. We are applying the skills we've learned into our writing. We're incorporating vivid details and using a thesaurus to find synonyms for many of our everyday words. In Period 9 math class, we are reviewing fact families. On Friday's we are continuing to learn about time. My class is working on telling time to the hour and half hour.