

Peak by Roland Smith

Students in IS-ELA Grade 7 just finished their unit with a novel study on *Peak* by Roland Smith with extension and companion texts on Mt. Everest. Students finished with "body biographies" where they tracked a character and analyzed the changes and growth their character made throughout the novel.



ART, ART & more ART

Mr. Manning's 6th grade artists were studying three of the most influential contemporary cartoon artists. Matt Groening the creator of the Simpsons, Charles Schulz creator of the Peanuts Gang, and Jeff Kinney the author of Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Students had to research all three styles of cartoon characters and pick one to create a cartoon style self portrait based on one of the three artists. Students created a character that would fit right into one of the comic strips. 6th Grade artists also listened to the theme songs from the three cartoons and realized that one song from the Peanuts Gang is always played at Christmas time. Check out their amazing work below!



6th Grade artists are now working on a "Cartography" assignment that has them drawing a birds eye view of their neighborhood, but not just an ordinary map. They are drawing their map inside the shape of their profile. Wait until you see how unique the results will be. They are incorporating technology into their art by using google maps and satellite photos of their neighborhood and drawing it directly into their profile. Stay tuned for the final results.

7th and 8th grade artists finished up their "POP ART" pieces and the finished candies are beautiful. Students learned how to mix unique paint colors and how to create unrealistic color schemes. 7th and 8th grade artists got to sample some candy during the lesson and debated on what was the best candy ever. Twix, Sour Patch Kids, Gushers, and Air Heads seem to be the favorites. These were large scale paintings so they took a lot of time and patience and a lot of cleaning up every day. See the pics below of just some of the finished pieces.



7th and 8th grade artists are now working on color wheel paintings and then will have to pick a color from the color wheel to create a monochromatic candy painting. Stay tuned for the final candies.

8TH GRADE END OF THE YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Thursday, June 16
8th Grade Social

Friday, June 17
Field Day and Cookout at Kelly Field

Wednesday, June 22
Class trip to Canobie Lake Park



Thursday, June 23
Awards Ceremonies

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 24...Last Day of School

SCHEDULE OF DAYS THIS WEEK:
Monday - D3, Tuesday - D4, Wednesday - D5, Thursday - D6, Friday - D7

HELPFUL RESOURCES

-  Ms. Perry - School Nurse
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-  Marti McKenna, Family Outreach Liaison
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-  Ms. Benjamin - Gr. 6 Guidance Counselor
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