



STEM Festival is Coming!



The STEM Festival is next week! Co-chairs Kyle Enger and Pete White have over twenty groups lined up for hands-on fun and demonstrations, from the MSU Bug House and Abrams Planetarium to the Broad Art Museum and Engineers for a Sustainable World. Please join us for this free event on Thursday, November 9 from 6:00-7:30pm to have fun with the visiting labs and get inspired about STEM. Outside groups come in for the STEM Festival, but our own Wolves will have their turn in the spotlight for the kid driven Science Fair, coming in March 2018!

Winter Wonderland Book Fair: First Week of December

We have a splendidly snowy Book Fair planned for December 4-8. Please join us for shopping (stock up for gifts and snow days!), and mark your calendar for family fun on the evening of Wednesday, December 6 with the Lower Elementary Winter Musical. Proceeds from the Book Fair are used to purchase new books for the school library and book room. As always, our teachers will also have their classroom wish lists available, if you would like to donate a book to your classroom.



Book Fair hours will be posted on the WSA website and in a letter that will be sent home. Our Book Fair co-chairs, Zaje Harrell and Erica Dziedzic, need lots of hands to help with set-up, running cash registers, and other logistics. Parents, grandparents, and others are welcome to volunteer! Mrs. Pike has also requested assistance for the Winter Musical. Click on the "I Want to Volunteer" button from the WSA home page to sign up! The Winter Musical volunteer slots are listed with the Book Fair sign up.

Child Care Announcement

We are now offering free child care during WSA meetings to enable more parents to join us! Drop off your potty-trained children up through fifth graders (younger kids are welcome to sit with you in the meeting) in the cafeteria at 6:00pm.

CHILD CARE



UPCOMING EVENTS

Popcorn Friday

Friday, November 3

Music Class Informances

3rd-5th grade, see website for November dates and times

STEM Festival

Thursday, November 9
6:00-7:30pm

WSA Meeting

Tuesday, November 14
6:00-7:30pm

Marco's Pizza Night

Thursday, November 16

Science Club

Friday, November 17
3:35-5:30pm

No School: Thanksgiving!

Wednesday-Friday, Nov. 22-24

Popcorn Friday

Friday, December 1

Winter Wonderland

Scholastic Book Fair

Monday-Friday, December 4-8

WSA Meeting

Tuesday, December 5
(moved due to Hanukkah 12/12)
6:00-7:30pm

Lower Elementary Winter Musical

Wednesday, December 6
6:30-7:30pm

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Meetings

At 6:00pm, second Tuesday of each month in the library

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Science Club and the STEM Festival: What's It All About?

by Liam Michael

The Whitehills STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Festival is coming up on Thursday, November 9. I went to Science Club all of last year and plan to go this year, too. I decided to talk to our Science Club teacher, Mr. Kyle, to get his thoughts on science. I asked him what kinds of things does the Science Club have planned for the STEM Festival. Mr. Kyle said lots of things! There will be people from the MSU Planetarium coming and people will learn how to use worms to eat garbage (composting) and lots of other things.

In Science Club (which is free!) you get to learn real things about the world and it gives kids a chance to ask questions. Last year, I got to take apart electronics and see what was inside. We got to fight hexbug battle bots in an arena. We just made soap at the last session in October.

I hope you come to Science Club this year and plan to go to the STEM Festival to learn lots of cool stuff!



MSU Worm Team returns in 2017!

November: A Time for Being Thankful

by Sophia Troshak

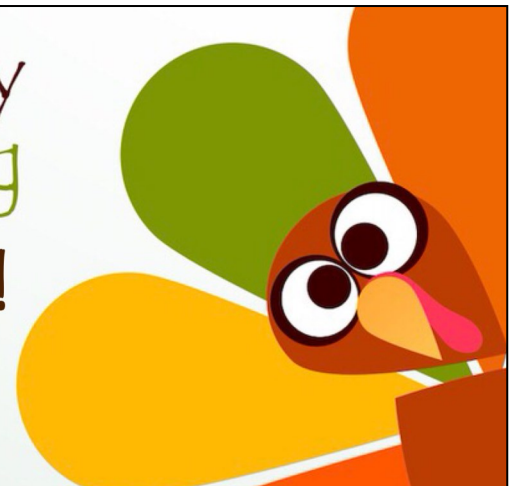
When my mom and I looked up the word *gratitude* online it said, the quality of being thankful. So what am I thankful for... I am thankful for my dogs, my life, my home, my friends, and my parents. I asked two of my friends what they were thankful for and Liliane Klotz is thankful for "all my dance classes I get to take, and for my parents and how much they love me." Izzy Antaya is thankful for "her family, friends, pets, food and my home, and everything else." I think everyone is thankful for the same stuff mostly. Your family, food, friends, homes, schools, and pets if you have them. I think these things make people happy.

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Happy
Thanksgiving
from the WSA!



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