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AFTERSCHOOL

CFM After School is off to a great start! Students academic goals have been established and we are making progress on achieving them. This week students enjoyed learning how to play ball hockey with the head coach of the UNCW men's hockey team. PLEASE NOTE - CFM After School is now on a waitlist. Students will now be admitted when a spot becomes available.

Ms. S. & Mr. B

ART

ART ROOM NEWS

We have been busy creating, experimenting, and learning how artists use images, color, and design to express ideas. Students completed their 4 Corners of Me art folders representing different parts of their personalities, interests, and experiences.

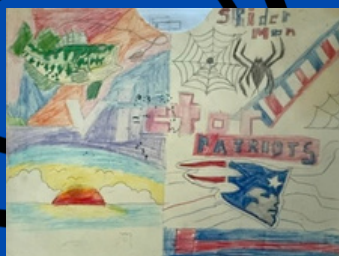
After finishing the folders, we explored doodle drawing. Doodling may look like a simple drawing, but it is actually a great way for artists to practice line, pattern, and repetition. Students created their own unique designs while learning there is no single "right" way to doodle.

Classes traveled back in time as we learned about American artist Grant Wood and his famous painting American Gothic. They learned about the artist, the painting, and some of the ideas and details that make American Gothic one of the most recognizable works of American art. We looked closely at the people, setting, clothing, objects, and expressions in the painting. We discussed how artists can communicate ideas through visual details. This lesson gave students an opportunity to practice looking closely at artwork, discussing what they see, and thinking about the meaning behind the art.

We are currently designing the County Christmas Card. As part of the process, we are learning about the history of holiday greeting cards and studying examples of successful card designs. We are exploring how images, color, lettering, and composition work together to communicate a holiday message. Before creating the final design, we are developing and refining ideas through thumbnail sketches.

Take a few minutes to look at a piece of artwork together. This could be a painting, photograph, drawing, or even holiday decoration. Ask: What do you notice? What do you think the artist is trying to communicate? What details make you think that?

Mrs. Patrick



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PE & Athletics



In PE, students have finished our kickball unit and are now playing capture the flag and then will be moving to floor hockey.

In athletics news, we are finishing up the first sports seasons and starting soon with boys basketball, girls soccer, and basketball cheer. Please make sure to complete all forms in FinalForms and upload an updated physical before tryouts.

Coach Bell

BAND / MUSIC

6th Grade: Students are building foundational skills, including notes, rhythms, tone production, and proper playing technique.

7th Grade: Students are preparing for the upcoming Halloween Concert while working on notes, rhythms, articulation, and ensemble skills.

8th Grade: Students are preparing for the Halloween Concert and focusing on balance, blend, intonation, articulation, and musical expression.

Our General Music students are exploring musical genres and music history, learning how different styles developed and how music connects to culture and society. Students are listening to, analyzing, and discussing music from a variety of genres and time periods.

Mrs Marshburn

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

This week in the 7th-grade careers room, students stepped behind the lens and into leadership roles as they learned the basics of video production. Under the guidance of Mrs. Morin, young directors planned and practiced several fundamental camera techniques such as close-ups, zoom, and pan.

Mrs. Morin





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Mrs. Marshburn

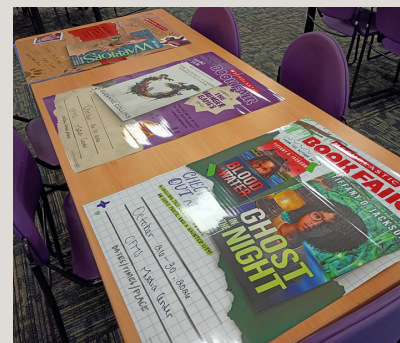


MEDIA CENTER

Book Fair Coming to CFMS!

Ms. Sova is busy getting the Media Center ready for our first Scholastic Book Fair, happening October 26-30 at the Cape Fear Middle School Media Center.

Students will bring home a flyer featuring a selection of the books that will be available. Look it over together and start a wish list! Thank you, Ms. Sova, for bringing this to our school. We can't wait to see our readers get excited!

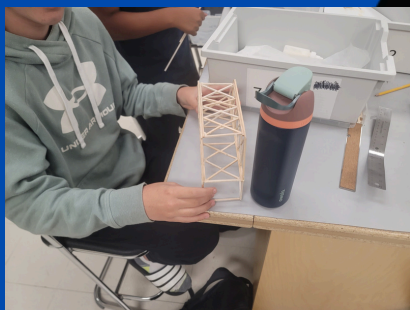
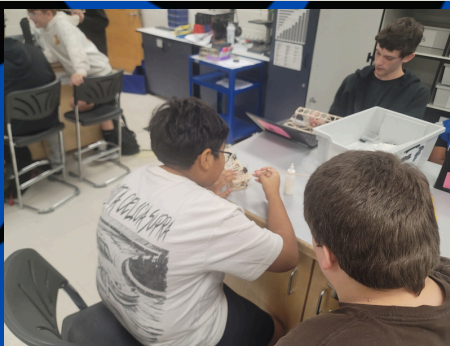


Ms. Sova

STEM

7th graders in Mr Odom's classes are getting close to finishing their balsa wood bridges. Once done we will be testing them to see who has the most efficient design. 6th grade students are just starting on their toothpick bridges and are excited to see how they come out!

Mr. Odom



English Lab

Students in English Lab have been working to finalize their Hispanic Heritage Unit Research projects and will present their work to their classes next week. Students will have a final unit test at the end of next week. It has been an exciting month sharing and learning about other cultures.