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Classroom Spotlight

MRS. FELKER'S CLASS SPOTLIGHT

BY: CAROLINE SCHRIVER

IN MRS. FELKER'S CLASS THEY START OFF THE DAY WITH OUTDOOR FREE TIME BEFORE GOING INTO OPEN WORK TIME. THEY ARE CURRENTLY LEARNING ABOUT ATOMS AND INVERTEBRATES. AFTER OPEN WORK TIME, THEY ENJOY RECESS THEN LUNCH. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE STUDENTS HAVE SPECIALS WHICH INCLUDE ART, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION, MUSIC, SPANISH, WRITERS WORKSHOP AND CHORUS. ACCORDING TO MRS. FELKER, THE BEST THINGS ABOUT TEACHING ARE THE EXCITEMENT AND HAPPY FACES WHEN HER STUDENTS DISCOVER SOMETHING NEW. ONE OF THEIR BIG ACCOMPLISHMENTS WAS THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE SCIENCE FAIR AND RESEARCH. THE STUDENTS HAVE ALSO EXPERIENCED PERSONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS YEAR. SOME EXAMPLES OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE BEING MORE MATURE, RESPONSIBLE, AND SELF-DIRECTED.

MSW CANDY-GRAMS

BY ARISTIN BITTINGS

ONE OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BUSINESSES IS CANDY-GRAMS. CANDY-GRAMS ARE A FUN WAY TO SHOW YOUR LOVE TO THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU. YOU CAN GIVE CANDY, HOMEMADE CRAYONS, OR HOMEMADE MAPLE CANDY THAT WAS MADE HERE ON CAMPUS. THE SAP IS TAPPED BY THE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EVERY DAY. ONCE THERE IS ENOUGH, THEY BOIL THE SAP TO SYRUP. THE PROCESS IS LONG BUT IN THE BUT, IN THE END, A NICE TREAT TO INCLUDE IN SWEET NOTES! IT IS AN EXPERIENCE THAT TEACHES US PATIENCE.



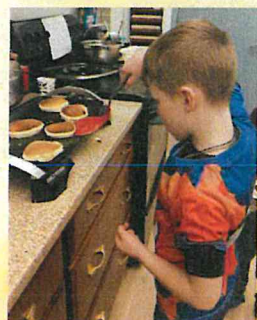
Middle schoolers prepare and deliver all candygram orders

LOWER ELEMENTARY HOSTS STUDENT LUNCH



BY: OLIVER BLAIR

RECENTLY, MS. QUINN AND MS. WINTER'S LOWER ELEMENTARY CLASS HOSTED A SPECIAL EVENT. THE EVENT WAS A STUDENT LUNCH, AND PARENTS WERE INVITED. I WENT TO THEIR CLASS IN THE WAKE OF THE EVENT TO TALK TO THE STUDENTS. THE ITINERARY LOOKED SOMETHING LIKE THIS: AT 9:20 THE CLASS WENT TO THE FIELD HOUSE TO GET TABLES AND CHAIRS. 10:00 THEY SET UP THE FOOD TABLE AND REARRANGE THE SHELVES. 11:00 FINAL PREPARATIONS ARE MADE. AT 12:00 GUESTS ARRIVE AND ARE SEATED. THE MENU WAS THEMED AROUND BREAKFAST FOODS, AND THEY HAD VEGETARIAN AND GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS AVAILABLE. THE CLASS PREPARED FOR THEIR EVENT BY FOOD PREPPING THE MEAL ALL WEEK. THERE WERE 75 SAUSAGES AND 160 PANCAKES. THERE WERE ALSO SIDES OF FRUIT AND HARD-BOILED EGGS. PHOEBE SAID THIS ABOUT THE EVENT "IT WAS BUSTLING AND CROWDED." AS A LOWER ELEMENTARY STUDENT, I REMEMBER BEING EXTREMELY EXCITED ABOUT OUR STUDENT LUNCH. IT IS A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY TO INSTILL GOOD CULINARY SKILLS, BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER, AND EDUCATE THE STUDENTS IN AN OUTSIDE THE BOX WAY!



Lower Elementary students preparing for Student Lunch



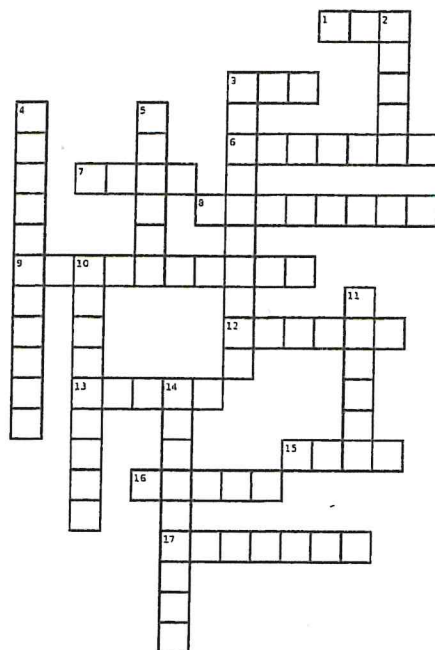
MAPLE TREE TAPPING

BY: CHRISTINA BAIN

WITH A BIT OF HELP AND INSTRUCTION FROM OUR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR, MRS. MISNER, MIDDLE SCHOOLERS HARVESTED SAP FROM MAPLE TREES AT MSW. WE TOOK AWAY MORE THAN JUST SYRUP FROM THE PROCESS, WE LEARNED ABOUT ECOLOGY AND SUSTAINABILITY ON CAMPUS. TAPPING INTO NATURE'S RESOURCES COMES WITH A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE OUR ENVIRONMENT. WE ALSO LEARNED ABOUT TEAMWORK WITH OUR CLASSMATES DURING THE PROCESS. WE NEEDED TO COLLECT DAILY AND TO BOIL THE SAP INTO SYRUP FOR FOUR WEEKS BEFORE COLLECTING ENOUGH TO MAKE OUR HOMEMADE CANDIES FOR OUR CANDYGRAMS BUSINESS. IT'S A SWEET WAY TO HELP FUND OUR ADVENTURE TRIP!



St. Patrick's Day: By Liam Brim



Down:

2. The color most commonly associated with St. Patrick's Day.
3. A traditional form of dance often performed on St. Patrick's Day, characterized by quick foot movements.
4. A poetic nickname for Ireland, emphasizing its lush green landscapes.
5. A festive event featuring marching bands, dancers, and floats, often held on St. Patrick's Day.
10. According to legend, leprechauns hide this at the end of rainbows.
11. The ancient culture and people with a strong influence on Irish traditions.
14. The patron saint of Ireland, celebrated on March 17th.

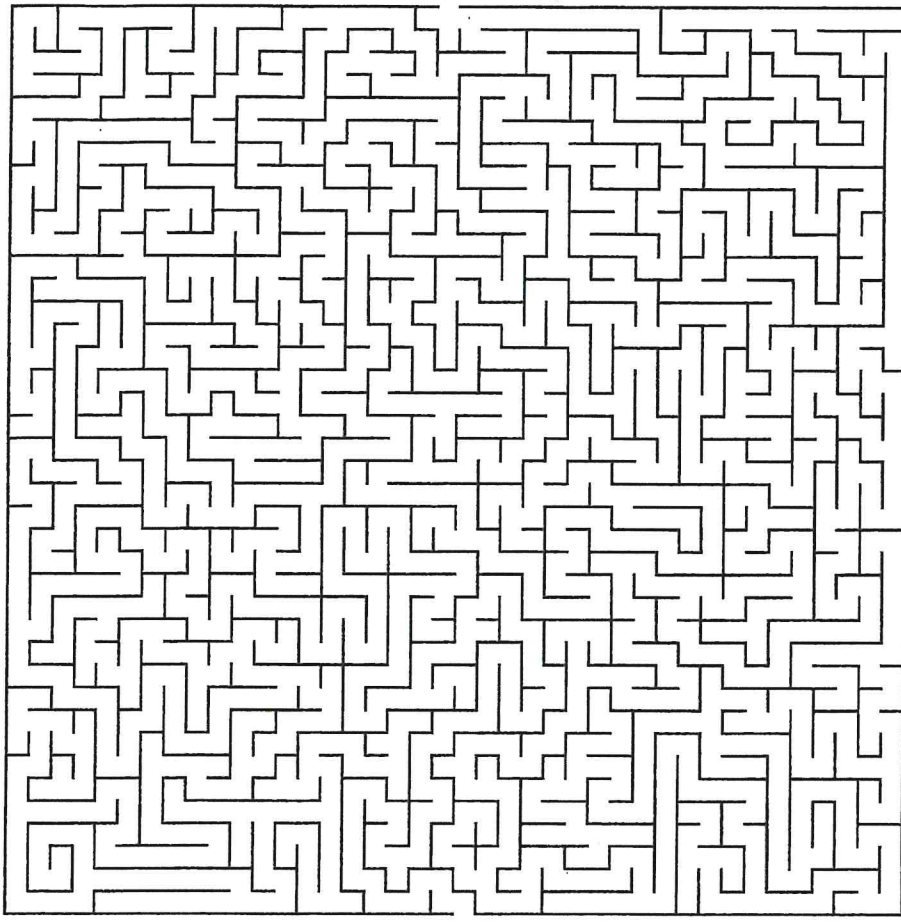
Across:

1. A lively traditional Irish dance often performed on St. Patrick's Day.
3. A plant often used in St. Patrick's Day decorations, symbolizing luck and fidelity.
6. The country where St. Patrick's Day originated, known for its rich culture and green landscapes.
7. A musical instrument that is a national symbol of Ireland.
8. A symbol of luck and a common St. Patrick's Day decoration, it has three leaves.
9. A mischievous Irish fairy often associated with pots of gold at the end of rainbows.
12. Another term for a shamrock, often associated with good luck.

Across:

13. A large meal or celebration often held on St. Patrick's Day.
15. A positive force often associated with St. Patrick's Day and finding a four-leaf clover.
16. The month in which St. Patrick's Day is celebrated.
17. A colorful arc in the sky that is said to lead to a leprechaun's pot of gold.





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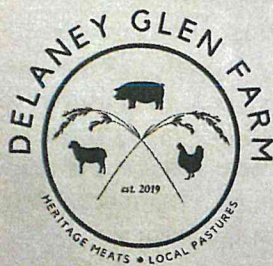
We shall walk together on
this path of life, for all things
are part of the universe and
are connected with each
other to form one
whole unity.

— Maria Montessori



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