

## Adams Update

 February 28, 2020Keep it Kind, MPS!


A big shout out to Erin, from Mrs. Schultheis' room. She helped to clean up items in the lunchroom, taking care of our school and making work easier for others. Thank you, Erin!


Also, an extra big shout-out and thank you to Clifford, the Big Red Dog, who joined us today to launch our Spring Book Fair. Clifford greeted Adams Atoms at today's morning drop-off, officially kicking off our Jungle Book Fair: Elephants, Tigers and Books, OH MY!

## The Spring Book Fair is here!

Today was preview day for the Spring Book Fair, and students enjoyed checking out the books and dreaming of what to add to their personal collections. The book fair will be open before and after school every day next week, and also Tuesday evening during the SVSU Family STEM Night.


Please sign up here to volunteer and help us run the fair and/or pack it up at:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4DABAD2DA1F58spring1

## Book Fair Week - March 2-6:

- MACAW MONDAY: 8:10-8:40am \& 3:45-5:45pm
- Spread your wings and dress up in your brightest colors!
- TROPICAL TUESDAY: 8:10-8:40am \& 3:45-8pm (open during the SVSU STEM night)
- Wear green, camouflage, or your favorite animal print!
- WEAR-A-BOOK WEDNESDAY: 8:10-8:40am \& 3:45-5:45pm
- Dress up as your favorite book character!
- KING/QUEEN OF THE JUNGLE THURSDAY: 8:10-8:40am \& 3:45-5:45pm
- Attention Adams Royalty: Show your regal side and don a crown or tiara!
- THE LION SLEEPS TONIGHT FRIDAY: 8:10-8:40am \& 3:45-4:30pm
- Grab a good book and wear your pajamas to school!

Students will also have an opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their classmates during the school day throughout the week.

## COSI Assembly

You may have heard about this fun event last week. COSI-the Museum for the Center of Science and Industry-visited Adams. We hosted a school assembly chock full of fun science information, and then all students were able to rotate through a number of interesting, exciting, hands-on science activities. Thank you to the PTO for bringing this event to Adams. Lots of smiles, laughter, and learning, all day long!

## Grant Maciag "Kilted for Cancer" fundraiser

We are so proud of Grant Maciag, his sister Ivy, and his parents, as they endure his battle with cancer. As you know, Grant is fighting Leukemia, with daily and weekly treatments, and it is very difficult for him. He continues to fight hard every day, and his family is right there with him every step of the way.

The Kilted for Cancer fundraiser was developed through conversations between Grant, his family, and the teachers and staff here at Adams. We're hearing that it makes Grant smile (yes!) when he hears about the fundraiser, and to imagine the kilt-wearing culmination of the event. Students are purchasing symbols to place on the wall here at school, including ribbons for Leukemia awareness, boots for kicking cancer (Grant's favorite thing to do!), and shamrocks for Grant's good luck. We're looking forward to our celebratory event on March 17.

## DARE Spaghetti Dinner: Friday, March 13

March's Friday the $13^{\text {th }}$ will be a lucky day, as it is the $\boldsymbol{8}^{\text {th }}$ Annual DARE Spaghetti Dinner \& Silent Auction. This annual event, hosted by DARE, will be at the Messiah Lutheran Church on Poseyville Road. Thank you to the Midland Police Department and the Midland County Sheriff for providing our DARE activities, and for hosting this event: Friday, March 13, 5:00-8:00 p.m. You may eat-in or take out, and there will be door prizes, silent auction, and a 50/50 raffle.


## Election Day is coming-Tuesday, March 10

Michigan's primary election is just around the corner, on Tuesday, March 10. Often elections are held on days when we don't have school, but that is not the case this year. Since our new Media Center is still under construction, the polling location will be in our World Language Room, which is across the hall from the Lower Elementary entrance to the building. Notes for that day:

- Lower elementary students (grades $K-2$ ) will enter and exit the building via the Second Grade Hall doors. Those doors are on the east side of the building, facing towards the lower elementary playground.
- If you are voting here at Adams on that day, you will enter and exit through the Lower Elementary doors, and then proceed directly across the hall to the World Language Room.


## GERMAN GAZETTE



Hallo! Ich heiße Frau McMahan! We have started our German learning ana we are having lots of fun noticing how different German sounds from Spanish or French! So far, we have:

- Talked about the country of Germany
- Compared the calendar with Spanish and French (in German they capitalize days of the week and months, which is different; they still start the calendar on Monday, which is the same)
- Reviewed days of the week and numbers to 30
- Reviewed how to introduce ourselves in German (with a little breakdancing - ask your child about our video ©)
- Reviewed colors, expressing likes, dislikes and our favorite color in German
- Studied famous things we have in the United States that are German
- Talked about the Brothers Grimm and chose one of their famous tales to read!

We will be moving on to weather soon and we will track the weather in Berlin, Germany (the capital). We also plan to learn how to say animals in German, as well as learn about animals common to Germany. Students are trying to earn miles for behavior and use of German, as well as for wearing clothing that relates to German (Adidas, Puma, and anything with characters from Germany - Snow White, Rapunzel, Sleeping Beauty, etc.). When they reach Berlin, they will earn a PARTY (it's spelled the same as English, but pronounced a bit different) and we will try German foods, such as brats, sauerkraut, German potato salad, German chocolate, Haribo gummy bears, apple strudel, black forest cake, pretzels and MORE!

Thank you for supporting your child's German learning! If you have any knowledge of the German language or culture and would like to share with the class, please let me know! We would be happy to have you!

## PTO Update:

Thank you to everyone who participated in last night's Panera Bread fundraiser for Adams PTO! Next Wednesday, March 4, will be a Papa John's Pizza night - another chance for families to eat out and raise money for Adams PTO!

The next Adams PTO meeting will be this coming Monday, March 2, at 6 p.m. in the Adams Art room. Everyone is welcome, and free childcare is available!

Next week, March 2 through March 6, is the Adams Spring Book Fair! Volunteers are still needed. Sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4dabad2da1f58-spring1

During the week of the Book Fair, enjoy the SVSU Regional Mathematics and Science Center's Family Night in the Adams gym on Tuesday, March 3 from 6-7:30! Come shop the Book Fair and check out the different, interactive STEM activities!

Upcoming Events:

## Mon, March 2 <br> PTO Meeting, Art Room (6 p.m.)

March 2-6 Book Fair - It's a Jungle Out There!
Tues, March 3 SVSU STEM Night (6:00-7:30 p.m.) - Adams gym/cafeteria
Wed, March 4 Papa John's Pizza Night (fundraiser for Adams)
Tues, March 10 Election Day (Adams is a polling station, see notes above)
Mon, March 16 Spring Picture Day
Fri, March 20 Read-a-thon
Fri, March 27 Half-day of instruction (8:40-11:51 a.m.); last day before Spring Break
Mar 30 - Apr 6 Spring Break
Mon, Apr 6 First day of school after Spring Break
We had a great week here at Adams, and we look forward to seeing you and your students again next week. Have a good weekend!

Educationally yours,

## Scott Cochran

Principal

