Related Arts Newsletter 2020-2021: Cycle 4

Cycle 4 Physical Education Newsletter Mon Nov 30 - Fri Jan 15.

Unfortunately the pandemic continues to ravage the globe but P.E at MES continues to deliver the best possible program regardless of circumstances! During Cycle 4 students will continue their pursuit of excellence.





Cardiovascular health is so important and we continually encourage the students to engage in cardio activity daily. All grade levels will be engaging in a unit of Jump Rope. Older grade levels will perform cardiovascular based tasks using the jumbo rope and additionally, learn various techniques inclusive of Ski, Bell, Straddle, Scissor. The younger grade levels will

focus on learning the fundamentals of jump rope participating in various activities designed to learn the arm rotation in particular.

Due to unforeseen circumstances students will additionally be participating in activities overlooked in cycle 3. Grades K-2 will be undertaking a unit of individual tossing and catching with throwing to targets, while grades 3-5 will undertake a unit of racquet skills leading up to the ability to play racquet games. As part of their regular warm ups





students will be engaging in a series of agility, balance and coordination exercise and stretching.

Stay safe and healthy Chiefs!!!

News from the Science Lab



Great News! The CSRA Regional Science and Engineering Fair is scheduled for March 12-13, 2021. Students will conduct the research of their project like normal following either the Scientific Method or Non-Inquiry Based Research (engineering projects). A decision will be made soon as to the delivery of the project. We are closely monitoring COVID-19 and may opt for a virtual platform. As soon as the final decision is made, we will inform you.

Students in Grades 3-5 will be learning how to formulate testable questions to prepare for investigations and our future Science Fairs. They will also examine the entire scientific method and engineering process. Students in Grades K-2 will be completing a Social Studies recycling lesson where toilet tissue rolls are reused to create fascinating objects. They will also reuse plastic to create interesting art items. If you have any questions, please contact me at

<u>ruckerm@mccormick.k12.sc.us</u> or 443-2292. Do have a blessed and safe holiday season. Melanie Rucker





MUSIC NEWSLETTER

Jingle Bells, jingle bells Christmas time is here! I am sad we are unable to have a Holiday program due to CDC guidelines. Large gatherings are not permitted, but the students are participating this month in singing and playing Christmas songs in the classroom. K-2 have been learning about different styles of music and holiday celebrations and traditions. Grades 3-5 are practicing

their reading notes and rhythms skills by playing Christmas songs on Boomwackers, barbells and xylophones. I hope you all have a joyous Holiday and Happy New Year!

Mrs. Molon



Cycle 4 Art

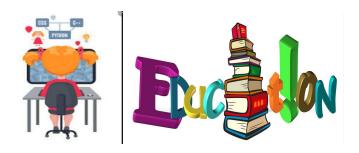
Dear All.

In December we will be talking about abstract art and color theory. We will be creating abstract trees in grades K-3, using shapes and color. Grades 4 and 5 will be using line, shapes and color to create an abstract design. Fourth and Fifth graders will be

using tools to make art. They will use a ruler, compass and a protractor to make accurate shapes. They will make circles, squares, rectangles and other shapes to make an abstract design. We will be looking at the Art of Wassily Kandinsky and Robert Delaunay as inspiration for our work.

It is my heartfelt wish that you and yours have a safe, happy and healthy December and on into 2021!!

Miss Langley



Cycle 4 Career News

For the next five weeks I will be teaching our students the value of education. They will be learning and using different functions on the computer which will include looking up careers and playing grade level software games that will provide them with the knowledge of knowing that computers and education go hand and hand. I will be incorporating math and the alphabets for Grades k-2. Grades 3-5 will focus on education and salary research using their computers. I will also be explaining to them how continuing their education will allow them to understand the world around them. Happy holidays!

Mamie Whitaker

MES Media Center

Happy Holidays! It is time to think about the MES 2020-2021 yearbook. Due to the pandemic, the yearbook will look a little different this year. Unfortunately, there won't be all the wonderful pictures of a Back to School Ice Cream Social, a Father-Daughter dance, a Mother-Son dinner, a Holiday program, or any other large group school event. Since we're unable to have these large group events which are featured each year in the yearbook, I need your help! If you have snapped any pictures of your child participating in Learn from Home, I'd like you to email a copy to me at mbock@mccormick.k12.sc.us. Please include your child's name and his/her teacher's name in the email. Of course,



pictures must be appropriate for the yearbook--students wearing appropriate clothing, appropriate background, etc. I will need pictures by February 5, 2021.

Yearbooks will go on sale in January! However, you're able to purchase one now by going online at **ybpay.lifetouch.com**. The Yearbook ID Code is **12947321** and the cost for each yearbook is \$20.

Thank you so much for your help! I wish you and your family a very happy holiday! **Happy Reading!**

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