**ARC**

*BY: Ms. Hokr*

Ramsey's Developmental Cognitive Disabilities (DCD) classrooms take community trips every Thursday. These trips are to further students’ learning and apply what they have learned in the classroom out in the community. Some things that they focus on out in the community are safety skills, social skills and money skills. Last Thursday, some of the students went to ARC Value Village Thrift Store to volunteer. Here are a couple pictures during the trip!

**RMS Debate**

*FROM: Ms. Healy*

I want to share with you all how well the Ramsey debate team did [Thursday, January 7th]! I am so proud of how hard all of our students worked and continued to compete even as it got later in the evening, energy was low, enthusiasm stayed constant!

Austin Hamilton and Hajar Ahmed tied for 2nd for speaking well and their team won first place in the rookie division. Bryan Forsman also earned an award for speaking well and took 5th in the novice division. (Also, he competed by himself!!) Olivia Bordon also earned an award for speaking well. Kate O’Connell-Romanelli, Isabel Kleckner, and Rosemary Santos all did a great job as well!

We are excited for the season to continue! Go Rhinos!

**INTERSESSION**

**Schedule for the Week**

- **Monday, January 18th:** NO SCHOOL for MLK Day
- **Tuesday, January 19th:** NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day
- **Wednesday, January 20th:** Grade Level Activities
  - 6th Grade: Service Learning @ Ramsey
  - 7th Grade: MLK Park
  - 8th Grade: Ski Trip to Hyland
- **Thursday, January 21st:** Intersession Classes Day 1
- **Friday, January 22nd:** Intersession Classes Day 2

**Schedule for Thursday and Friday**

- 8:30 – 9:00: Advisory
- 9:05 – 11:05: Morning Class
- 11:10 - 1:40: Midday Class and Lunches*
- 1:45 – 3:45: Afternoon Class
- * Lunches will be at 11:15, 11:45, and 12:15. Lunches will be mixed-grade. Your Midday class teacher will tell you when you will go to lunch.

MAKE SURE THAT YOU KNOW 1. WHAT CLASSES YOU HAVE 2. WHEN YOU HAVE EACH CLASS 3. WHERE TO GO FOR EACH OF YOUR CLASSES!!!
8th Graders: Transition to High School

FROM: Ms. Tibbetts
The High School Request Center is now “live” on the Student Placement website. This means that all students, with their families, can sign-up for their high school of choice for the 2016-2017 school year. The website is: http://highschoolrequest.mpls.k12.mn.us/ and the deadline is March 5th. See Ms. Tibbetts if you have any questions.

Ticket Scalpers

BY: Chloe Bitney
Have you ever tried to buy a ticket, and they get sold out in ten minutes? That is probably [because of] ticket scalpers. Ticket scalpers buy $50 dollar tickets and sell them for $500 dollars. Most people don’t know about them. There was a law in Minnesota that said there should not be any ticket scalpers.

IF YOU ARE A TICKET SCALER, STOP!!!
Ticket scalping was illegal in Minnesota until 2007.

A Stupid Story (Creative Writing)

BY: Ellis Durand
Once upon a time… there was young boy in the 6th grade at Ramsey Fine Arts Middle School. Even though he didn’t enjoy math much, he still did well, and was put in the ‘advanced’ math class. But the class turned out to be just a normal 7th grade class, with 7th graders.

Now this boy, he was very sneaky and took things very far with playful lies. Like the time when he claimed he couldn’t read time…

“Psst, hey dude, what time is it?” he said.
“Just read the clock,” the 7th grader responded.
“About that… I can’t read a clock.” See? That right there? That was the lie. “What?” he and the other 7th grade tablemate said in unison. “Yeah… Well I just never learned I guess,” the boy said. “Nah, I don’t believe you,” the 7th grader responded. “No, I’m serious. All I know about clocks is that they tell time,” all the while hiding a mischievous smile.

“Well, right now it’s 3:15, the little hand says wha-” “Hey quiet down back there,” the teacher said with a scowl. The boy sighed with disappointment.

Later that day, when school finally let out, the two students talked. “Here I gotta go right now, but tomorrow after school I’ll keep teaching you.” “Thanks, but I really don’t need it,” the boy responded. “Well dude your gonna need to be able to read a clock. Like what are you gonna do when you grow up and you’re stuck in a boring meeting that’s over at 5 so then you don’t know when the meeting is over so you’ll scream in agony and the

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Arabic Night

FROM: Ms. Farah
You are all invited to come and enjoy Arabic Night at Ramsey Middle School on Thursday, January 21 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Come one, come all! Enjoy Arabic music and Arabic food including hummus, falafel, zaatar bread, pita bread and dates. Watch and learn the Dabke – an Arabic folk dance. You will learn about the beautiful Arabic calligraphy by our professional calligrapher, Edwin, and you could have a henna design and enjoy the henna art by the professional artist, Anawdra. All items are included with a $ 1 admission fee that goes to support our Ramsey PTA!

Secret Language

BY: Chloe Bitney and Sierra Krueger-Wolfe
This secret language can only be used on a computer because there is a key that you can press to make it the language. The button that you press is the OPTION key.

All of the letters are the same. You just have to hold down the option button and type what you want to type.

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If you want to do it on paper it might be hard because some of the symbols are complex!
The book follows the aftermath of an alien attack. The attack comes in waves. The first wave was called “Lights Out,” where the aliens take away all power. The second wave is called “Surf’s Up.” That’s when the aliens sent a wave so big that it knocked out all coasts. The third wave was called “Pestilence,” where a wave of disease where you would lose blood rapidly. Then the fourth wave comes in, and they are called the “Silencers.” The Aliens are within, killing people. Now they are waiting for wave five. The book follows multiple perspectives that give you information. I’m only halfway through, but I can’t wait to finish it. It’s a definite read and I would hope you read it.

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**Creative Writing (continued from page 2)**

meeting will fail,” the 7th grader said. The boy blinked. “That is never going to happen. Like ever.” “But what if it does, though?” “It’s not!”

The next day after school...

RING AH LING AH DING!!! “All right stack chairs!” the teacher yelled as the students frantically packed their things. “All right, the little red hand counts the seconds,” the 7th grader said, “Mmmhmm...” the boy said while pretending to write notes. “There are 60 seconds in a minute, so every time the red hand goes a full circle, a minute passes.” “Right, got it,” “Now the longest hand counts what minute of the hour it is, and there are 60 minutes in an hour.” “Why not 100? They just made it harder for themselves,” the boy interrupted. “Every time the long hands goes a full circle, an hour has passed.” “What about the fat hand?” “That one counts what hour of the day it is.” “Soo... when the fat one goes in a circle a day passes?” “No, only half a day.” “That’s stupid” “Whatever. I don’t get it either, now this is whe-” “Get outta my classroom, I need to leave early!” the teacher cut off.

But then the next day the teacher came up with a new seating chart and the 2 students never spoke again. But eventually, the boy learned how to read a clock.

The End.

**PUNS!**

FROM: Chloe Bitney and Alice Duncan

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**Vegetrails**

Is there a turnip ahead?

I’ve never bean this way!

I gotta pea!

Let me please slow down!

I don’t carrot all.

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**SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO TAKE A STAND!**

**STOP! You’re under a rest!!!**

**UFO CAUGHT ON TAPE**
Personality Quiz: Which Disney Character Are You?

BY: Solvieg J., Frances P-G, and Sierra K-W

1. You go over to your friends house, and their room is super dirty, and they leave to go to the bathroom. You...
   A. Without thinking, you jump down on to the floor, and I mean literally jump down, on a huge pile of clothes and land on your butt thinking that everything would be cushioned
   B. You get so angry that you storm out of the room and dump your friend then later decide to scheme against them
   C. You start cleaning right away. There is lots of work to be done, but you are sad for yourself as you do it
   D. You laugh at the mess and don't care
   E. You immediately freak out and call your parents and (if you have one) your older sibling and tell them all about it

2. You are left alone in your parent’s giant mansion, and they specifically tell you to not invite ANY people over. What do you do?
   A. You decide to obey them by not inviting anyone over, BUT you go to a huge party with your friends
   B. Invite all the people in your contact list and have the party of the year
   C. You obey your parents and cozy in with a good book
   D. You invite one or two friends over for a calm hang out, but it turns into a wild party
   E. You do exactly what your parents say and stand at the door waiting for them to come home

3. You are going to a movie theater with your friend, but you want to see totally different movies... you;
   A. Without thinking decide that you will both go the see the scariest movie there then it will be fair for both of you, though you both get totally creeped out and have nightmares
   B. Force your friend to see the movie with you using duct tape as a reinforcements
   C. You go along with what your friend and see the movie she wants, you are just here to be with your friend, plus you can see your movie later once it’s on Netflix
   D. You go to your movie and let him go to his
   E. You call your mom and ask her what to do

4. You go to a library, but the book that you want is out you...
   A. You look online to see which library the book is at and run there right away
   B. You demand the book right away but then decide you want better, you storm out and say you will be back
   C. You would quietly request it
   D. You pick out a joke book and wait for the book to come in
   E. You call your mom and ask her what to do

5. What's your favorite flavor of ice cream?
   A. Chocolate with fudge, sprinkles, chocolate sauce and all the other toppings that the store has
   B. I don’t eat ice cream, I am better than the that
   C. I normally just get plain vanilla or chocolate and occasionally strawberry
   D. Oh I just get a cone with a scoop of everything
   E. There are to many options so I just ask my mom

Go to page 5 to see your results!

The Diamond: A Comic by Ellis Durand

A Day in the Life of Howard

COMPILED BY: Will Musser
Personality Quiz Results! (continued from page 4)

Ana- mostly A's
You are outgoing and very optimistic. You know that there is nothing more powerful than true love, and you act before you think.

Cruella De Ville- mostly B's
You may seem kind on the outside, but what people don't know is how evil you are on the inside. You do bad stuff for fun. You are the leader of your group, and have your evil henchman by your side at all times. They are your protection.

Cinderella- mostly C's
You’re kind to everyone and everything, no matter what happens, and are always helpful and obedient.

The Genie- mostly D's
You love joking around and playing tricks. You’re full of life, and bursting with positive energy and tend to take advantage of opportunities.

Smee- mostly E's
You're ultimately a kind-hearted character. Though you make attempts to perform villainous acts, your gentle nature often gets in the way of this. You’re very loyal.

Prize Drawing!
Submit your solutions to rmsrhinoreport@gmail.com to be entered in our Rhino Report Prize Drawing!

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Try to fill in the missing numbers.

Use the numbers 1 through 9 to complete the equations.

Solution will be revealed next edition!!! Good Luck!
(HINT: Remember your Order of Operations!)

What’s For Lunch?

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25 Chicken Fillet Sandwich OR Bagel Yogurt Pack Potato Wedges

26 Swedish Meatballs with Rotini Noodles OR Chicken Caesar Salad Steamed Peas. Roll

27 Chicken Chow Mein with Brown Rice OR Turkey Bologna & Cheese Sandwich

28 Cheese Pizza OR Asian Chicken Salad Mixed Vegetables

29 Pancakes with Turkey Sausage Links OR Turkey Salmi & Cheese Sub Breakfast Potatoes

Market Cart Salad Bar featuring Tropical Bean Salad

Market Cart Salad Bar featuring Ginger Apple Delight

IMPORTANT DATES

**January 14th**
Varsity/Beginning Band concert 7:00-8:00

**January 15th**
No School – End of 2nd quarter

**January 18th – 19th**
No School

**January 20th**
Grade level field trips

**January 21st-22nd**
Interession

**February 4th**
Multicultural Pot Luck/Ramsey Open House

**February 11th, 12th**
School Conferences

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See you next semester! Thanks for reading!