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As the 8th graders prepare to go to high school next year, we'd like to preserve their PLMS experience by taking an 8th grade group photo of their class on Thursday, April 12th. Pictures will be available for purchase. More information to come.

PLMS 7TH GRADE STUDENT NAMING THE MOON RECOMMENDAITON GAINS ATTENTION

Maya Bowen's idea for a national contest goes to NASA and ScienceWorld



Why doesn't the Earth's moon have a name? Maya Bowen, a seventh-grade student at Pleasant Lea Middle School, has been asking this question at her school for several months with the topic also being discussed in her science class.

With the help of science teacher Chris Lake, Maya's idea is gaining attention. Mrs. Lake sent the suggestion to NASA and Scholastic's ScienceWorld magazine, encouraging NASA to conduct a name the moon contest.

NASA representatives responded to Maya's science teacher, saying it was an "interesting concept" and that the idea was forwarded to the Planetary Science Division. ScienceWorld officials responded that the idea has been sent to the magazine's corporate office.

Maya has already developed her recommendations for contest parameters, adding that she does not want the moon named after a person. She also recommends that the moon's name not come from Roman mythology. The



TUESDAY, APRIL 10

4pm Track meet @ RAY-PEC EAST

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

8th Grade all Class Picture 4PM Track Meet @ Home

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

7pm MIDDLE SCHOOL TEEN NIGHT AT PARADISE PARK

MAP TESTING APRIL 16-27

APRIL 16-20 7th and 8th grade ELA Testing

APRIL 23-27 – 7th and 8th grade Math 8th grade Science

During testing, students will need headphones, a reading book, and a calculator. Phones and smart watches must be turned off and left with the teacher or kept in lockers. Earth is the only planet in our solar system that is not named after a Roman god.

PLMS TIGER SMART STUDENTS GIVE BACK

Select Tiger Smart club members met up with members of Mustang Smart and Falcon Smart to give back to our community when they recently did community service with Coldwater of Lee's Summit. Students helped sort and package diapers, process food donations, box up bread donations, and many other tasks that needed accomplished. These students were super hard workers and their time and energy was much appreciated by the director of Coldwater.



SPRING DANCE FRIDAY APRIL 20

A "Night Under the Stars" is our Spring Dance. Seventh graders are invited from 7-9pm. Eighth graders are invited from 7:30-9:30pm. Cost is \$5 or 5 canned goods (donated to LS Social Services). Only PLMS students may attend. Students must be eligible and follow dress code. We look forward to having you at our dance. DJ and refreshments are provided by Student Council and PTA.

Only PLMS Students are allowed to attend PLMS Dances. Visitors or students from other Lee's Summit Schools are not allowed to attend.

- Doors will open for 7th grade students at 7 pm. Doors will open for 8th grade students at 7:30 pm. 7th grade students should be picked up at 9:00 p.m., and 8th grade students should be picked up 9:30 p.m. Students should not wait until the night of the dance to make arrangements. Please plan ahead.
- School dress code guidelines will be followed at the dance. Items <u>not</u> permissible at the dance include clothing with inappropriate skin exposure: low-cut tops in front or in back, see-through tops, short skirts or shorts, strapless dresses, short tops, or any other clothing that exposes the stomach.
- Students must be in attendance at least 4 hours of the school day on the day of the dance.
- All school rules apply at school dances. Students not following the rules will be sent home early. STUCO works hard to decorate for the dance and decorations should not be disturbed. Running, pushing, horseplay, and inappropriate dancing are not acceptable behaviors.

LEE'S SUMMIT R7 STUDENTS AND PARENTS INVITED TO WELL BEING TEEN CONFERENCE

Students in middle and high school and their parents are invited to a Well-Being Teen Conference, sponsored by the Lee's Summit R-7 School District. The event will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. April 7 at Summit Lakes Middle School, 3500 SW Windemere Drive.

Students and families from Lee's Summit R-7 schools as well as local private schools are welcome to attend.

The free event includes breakfast and lunch, presentations and a vendor fair as well as drawings and prizes for student participants. DJ Nate from Mix 93.3-FM will provide music for the morning. Examples of conference session take-aways will include relaxation techniques, mindfulness strategies to assist with stress and anxiety management, suicide prevention awareness, cyberbullying identification, parent strategies for parenting teens and techniques for development of a strong self-concept. Theme for the conference is "Be Kind to Yourself."

Pre-registration is not required. For more information, call (816) 986-1027.



SUMMIT TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY FIELD TRIP

On April 4, thirty 8th-grade PLMS Computer Science and Industrial Technology students, together with SLMS and BCMS students, attended the Technology Day at Summit Technology Academy. Students rotated through six workshops which included activities involving Software Development, Network Engineering, Engineering Design and Development, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Aerospace Engineering, and Digital Electronics. Students also learned about the Signature Degree Programs available through STA in their high school junior and senior years. If you are interested in learning about the opportunities available at Summit Technology Academy, you can register on the STA website for an Open House.



THE PLMS LITERACY TEAM INVITES YOU TO

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



Free Admission!! \$1 popcorn and drinks will be available!

ADMIT ONE

to

WONDER

Rated PG Run Time: 1 hour 53 minutes

Students must be accompanied by an adult

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PLMS GYM
DOORS OPEN AT 5:45
MOVIE STARTS AT 6:15

The Best of Each Day

Outside my window, a new day I see
And only I can determine
What kind of day it will be.

It can be busy and sunny, laughing and gay, Or boring and cold, unhappy and gray. My own state of mind is the determining key, For I am the only person I let myself be.

I can be thoughtful and do all I can to help.
Or be selfish and think just of myself.
I can enjoy what I do and make it seem fun,
Or gripe and complain and make it
Hard on someone.

I can be patient with those who

May not understand,

Or belittle and hurt them as much as I can.

But I have faith in myself, And believe what I say, And I personally intend to make the best of each day. -Author Unknown

