

OCTOBER
ISSUE

GARFIELD MIDDLE
SCHOOL
8th GRADE
TEAM PERSEUS

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OCTOBER DATES

- 1st - Science Project Due
- 2nd - Homecoming
Parade 6:00
- 5th-9th - Count Week/
Spirit Week
- 8th - School Pictures
- 13th - Conferences
3:30-6:30
- 17th - GMS vs. Wilson
Football @ HHS
- 20th - Student Led
Conferences
3:30-6:30
- 23rd - Halloween Dance
3-5

BE THE CHANGE
YOU WISH TO
SEE IN THE
WORLD.

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What is

CHARACTER?

- RESPECT
- PERSONAL
RESPONSIBILITY
- HONESTY
- COMPASSION
- ACCEPTANCE

Straight From The Top

Mrs. Blake

OCTOBER'S CHARACTER TRAIT
COMPASSION



Mrs. Litman

October 5-9 is count week. If your child is absent from school you must send in a letter as well as making a phone call to the attendance office.



Words from our Counselor

Ms. Smith

Make your 8th grade year a success!

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON TEAM PERSEUS!!!!!!!!!!

Ms. Daughters (Math) - Students explored Probability for the first three weeks of school. The students were learning about equally likely chances of an event occurring, as well as when games are considered fair or unfair. Currently the students are focusing on the real number system and exploring numbers that are rational, irrational, integers, etc. are just a few of the examples we've covered in class. We're off to a great start to the school year in Pre-Algebra!

Ms. Kelly (Math) - The students are off to a great start so far in Math class! We have just finished our exploration of probability, and we are getting ready to review integers and solving equations. Now is the time of year when things start to get tricky, so it is really important to keep reminding your kids to do their homework. They should be bringing home Math homework between 3 and 4 times a week, so keep checking! Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions or concerns!

Mrs. Bennett (Science) - After completing a project on Chinese inventions, we will begin working on Forces and Motion, doing experiments to find speed and learning about Sir Isaac Newton's laws. We will also be starting Pro-Ohio in the computer labs twice a month.

Mrs. Osborne (Language Arts) - We have Read180 up and running and the students are doing great. They just wrote expository essays about problems teens face. Hopefully, we will start ProOhio practice in the library the week of the 21st.

Mrs. Parrish (Reading) - Reading Enrichment continues to work on strategies involving the reading of informational text/nonfiction reading. Focus has been on the use of direct and indirect context clues within contexts of an article. Students continue to work with figurative language. This quarter we have concentrated on idioms. Antonyms and synonyms are also being reviewed and used.

Mrs. Anderson (Music) - The 8th grade Concert Choir is preparing for the Secondary Choral Festival, which will be on October 27th at 7:00pm. The Festival will be at the Freshman building and will include performances from Garfield, Wilson, and the high school. See you there!

Mr. Reed (Physical Education) - We are doing softball and tennis units for the next few weeks.

Ms. Frey (Art) - We are finishing our Mandala paintings based on Sanskrit forms of art and concepts in nature. As we continue into the 2 dimensional world of art we will be creating Still Life drawings with the medium of pastels and chalks. Towards the end of the month we will be working in a 3 dimensional realm and start our pottery creations. I am very excited to see how creative my students are this semester and what artwork will be displayed for the Garfield community within the next months.



STAR STUDENTS!!!!!



ACADEMIC

Sabrina Rodriguez

Sabrina is an excellent student and a role model to others. Keep it up Sabrina!!!

Tristan Angel

Tristan makes it easy for his teachers by being such a great student. Way to go Tristan!!!

CHARACTER

Diana Rodriguez

Diana is a very caring student who helps everyone. Thank you for being so kind Diana!!!

Jesus Avila

Jesus is extremely helpful to both teachers and other students. We love your positive attitude!

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