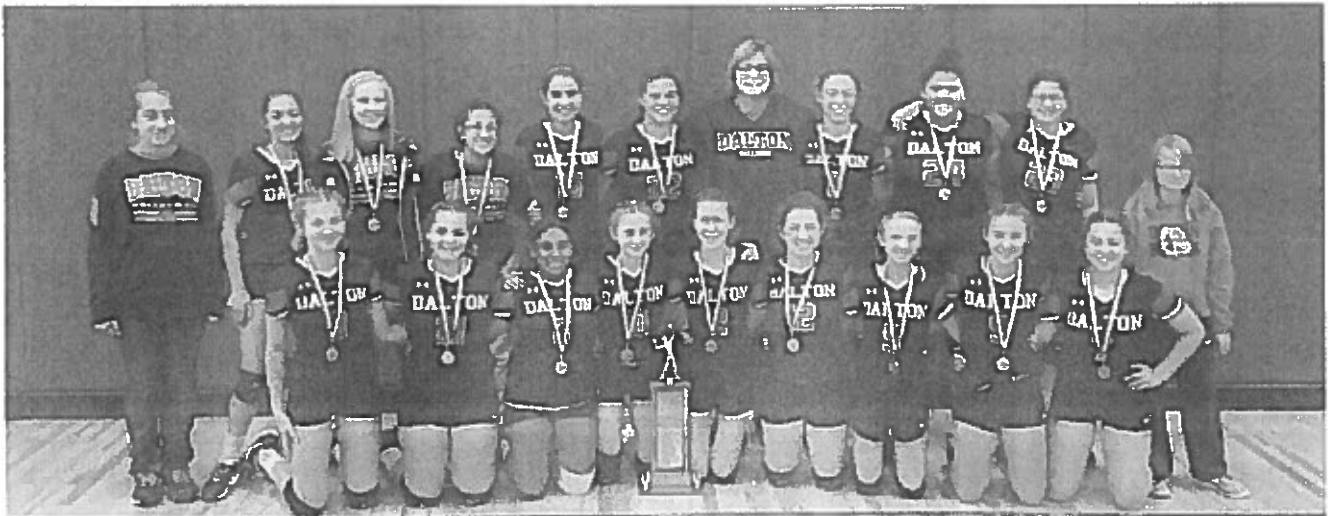


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We Are the Champions Again! DMS 8th Grade Volleyball Sports a Back-to-Back Volleyball Championship



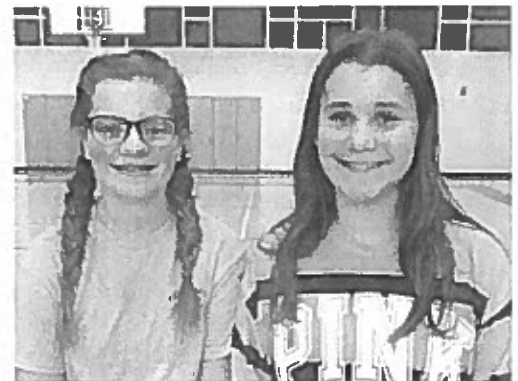
As seventh graders, they won, and now as eighth graders, they boast a second championship—a feat not many share. May your volleyball victories continue to drive and inspire you as you move on to high school next year!

Pictured front row L-R: Vivi Cisar, Lexi Vasquez, Johana Yoder, Caroline Chubbuck, Grace Brahler, Callie Jones, Maddy West, Sarah Cross, and Zoey Farriss. Back row L-R: Megan Hostetler (scorekeeper), Matea Martinez, Sophia Carpenter, Sophia Salehi, Sarah Witmer, Marley Clark, Coach Sara Yehl-Browske, Kylee Johnson, Arianna Sales, Sara-Jo Jones, and Kendel Nussbaum (ball girl).
Picture submitted by Coach Yehl-Browske

Seventh Grade Ladies Dominate Spelling Bee

by Mrs. Jessica Matz

In the 2018-19 DMS spelling bee held on December 7, there were 24 participants from the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. After thirteen rounds, seventh grader Amara Horner was declared the champion as she spelled the word "fulcrum." Another seventh grader, Calista Stutzman, was named runner-up. With Horner not being able to attend the Wayne County Spelling Bee, joining Stutzman will be seventh grader Courtney Weaver, who was the alternate lasting ten rounds. The Wayne County Spelling Bee will be held January 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Wooster High School Performing Arts Center.



Shakespeare Fan Fiction

by Bethany Raber, 8th grade

Gasp, whyyyy Demetrus whyyyy. Please love me I - I -I love you. Love me back then everything will be okey dokey. I only want Demetrius to love me. When will he notice me. I'm desperate 😞😞😞. Uhg why does he love that goody two shoes Hermia 😞😞. Maybe if Hermia never existed 😊 he would marry me 😞. It's all because of her dumb dad Egeus. STUPID EGEUS *Helen rants about hating Hermia* . OH MY IT IS STARTING TO RAIN 🌧️ 😞. Now he will never love me because I'm SOAKING WET 😞😞😞. Uhg why doesn't my bike move uhg is it stuck? #Worstdayever#demetriuswillneverloveme 😞😞

OMG best plan ever. I am going to tell Demetrius that Hermia and Lysander are going to run away and he will be happy and we will live happily ever after 😊👩❤️👨 #bestplanever. Uhg it's been an hour of him looking for Hermia in the woods and he is getting annoyed that I am following him. Worst plan ever. I thought this stupid plan would work 😊. Why does he still loves Hermia. Once I find her I'll knock some sense into her 🙄😞👩👨. Huh? I thought I saw something. I better follow it. Don't worry Demetrius I'll be back!!

What in the name of Athena is that! It's a Creature with horns. "Hello, I am a fairy wonder of the night. I'm Robin nice to meet you." Gasps it speaks. "I've been seeing you have been having love issues." Stalker you creepy thing. Hellp me!!! Demetrius anybody? "I can help you." Really, you can? Um can I trust you? "Of course You can." Ok so what's the plan? "I'll put a love potion on him and then when he wakes up he will fall in love with you and you will live happily after yay 😊". Wow you think this plan will work? There's no such thing as a love potion. Uhg are you Snape that stupid potions dude? "Come to this spot at midnight it will work." Ok whatever. *Later, much later* Ok hello? Gasp Demetrius are you ok? "Oh what beautiful eyes what marvelous lips there red as cherries!" exclaimed Demetrius. Oh Demetrius I-I-I I freaking love you too. In the end they get married and live happily ever after. #yay#livehappilyeverafter#Egeusisworstdadever#bwtHermiaandlysandergetmarried

The end

Seventh Grade Extending Their Learning in ELA
by Mrs. Jessica Matz



The seventh grade spent the first nine weeks reading the book *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park. To help them understand what it is like for people of South Sudan and other countries in Africa where water is scarce and not readily available at your fingertips, they learned what it was like to walk for water experiencing the cultural methods of carrying containers of water on their heads for a distance. The students really enjoyed the experience, but got a taste of the work involved to understand that the task can be fun however not always easy when working with others (simulating the teaching of younger siblings in the text).

They also worked on growing Bibb lettuce hydroponically in quart jars. This extended their learning by testing water quality and problem solving when there were issues. In the areas of Africa where the people lack water, they also often lack proper agriculture and nourishment. So the big question, can hydroponics be a solution? This experiment and research is presently carrying over into the second nine weeks as they are doing additional water quality testing and are making conclusions about their successes and failures.



We even invited professor Dr. Victor Ujor from Wooster ATI to speak with the seventh grade about his own life experiences of carrying water as a child. Dr. Ujor was also able to share some information about other water concerns in Africa and what he is doing at ATI with hydroponics. The addition of Dr. Ujor's presentation helped to link learning from the book to their experiments in the greenhouse and preloaded them with some



knowledge for the second nine weeks.

Special thanks to Mrs. Laura Grimm for providing me with the connections at ATI and help in the greenhouse, as well as Mrs. Erin Yoh for providing authentic wraps for the students to wear during their walking challenge. We have done the long walk challenge ever since we began using the book two years ago, but the greenhouse experiment and speaker really enlightened and inspired the



students more. Some were so inspired that they wrote letters to the book's main character Salva and a few young ladies are presently working on a fundraiser proposal. Good things are truly happening in seventh grade ELA to bring the real-world into the classroom!

Be Kind and Believe You Can Improve: DMS Students Displaying Positive Messages

by Mrs. Katie Roth

Anyone walking through the 7th and 8th grade hallway may notice a colorful new addition to the stairwell. This year at DMS, students and teachers are creating a positive environment that stresses the importance of having a growth mindset. Growth mindset means believing everyone can improve their skills with effort and dedication. Together, 8th grade students Marley Clark, Kylee Johnson, Sarah Cross, and Lauren Clos wanted to help spread this message by creating posters "to influence more positivity and [help students] better understand what it means to have a growth mindset."

Every time students climb the stairs, they are encouraged to "view challenges as opportunities," "learn from other people's mistakes," "celebrate growth with others," and more. After completing the project, the girls discuss their favorite growth mindset message.

Kylee: "It's not how good you are, it's how good you want to be." This is the quote I live by on a daily basis in school, sports, home, 4H, etc.

Sarah Cross: "Stop seeking approval." As long as you're true to yourself, it doesn't matter what other people think of you.

Lauren Clos: "Place effort before talent." If you put a lot of effort in, you will gain talent and responsibility. I think effort gets overlooked by talent way too much because you can be talented and not put in effort. It doesn't matter how much talent you have, it matters how much effort you put into anything you're doing.

Marley Clark: "Take ownership over your actions." What you choose to do is not anyone else's decision to make for you. You are the only one who can control your actions, no matter what people try to make you do. You're the one who makes up your mind. Don't let anyone take that away from you.



Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)

Some new changes can be seen and heard in the hallways and classrooms at DMS. There use to be Bark Bucks (still used by DES), but now the middle schoolers have been participating in behavior training sessions periodically, once a week they have a weekly trivia about building expectations in which reward winners are drawn, Be Kind dress up weeks, Caught Being Kind, and Student of the Month. Coming up this Friday, December 21, there will be a Carnival Bash held to celebrate first semester positive behaviors. The staff and students have noticed a change in the atmosphere at DMS in which there are less behavior problems and students are more aware of school and classroom expectations and policies. In all, we are trying to create a positive learning environment where all can be successful and learn skills that will help them inside and outside the classrooms. Also, PBIS is bringing together staff, students, Student Council, administration, and the CARE team to help our middle school students in any way we can.

5 Types of Poetry: *Lord of the Rings*

by Ava Nussbaum, 7th grade

Haiku-

The dark fills their eyes,
Blindly running from evil;
They hurry to leave.

13 A Man, strong
With a horn in his hands
Whose pride gives him hope;

Epic-

1 One hobbit to lead them all
Through the dark and danger
Of Middle Earth,

14 They left at the river kingdom,
A place where happiness
Resides forever

2 Frodo the one,
The one who left
Everything behind,

15 And journeyed far
Across their world
Filled with anger,

3 Away from his home,
Away from his comfort,
And everything he loved,

16 One died,
One man died,
With honor and love;

4 For one quest that will
Change life itself,
The One quest,

17 Two were gone,
Captured
By the Enemy;

5 The quest with many
That know the way when
Darkness strikes,

18 One vanished,
Fell to the ground,
Who leaves little hope;

6 And drives them back
To where they needn't not go
And leave them there, lost:

19 Two left,
The ones who would take
The One Ring away;

7 A Wizard, old
With knowledge wide
As the brim of his hat,

20 Three remain,
Torn between survival
And finding the captured;

8 A Dunidan, enduring
That knows the wilderness
Like the back of his hand,

21 The Fellowship
The Company

9 A Hobbit, loyal
Who cannot part
From his master's side,

23 On the quest that will change life.

Couplet-

His bow shines in the soft moonlight
The arrows chasing after night

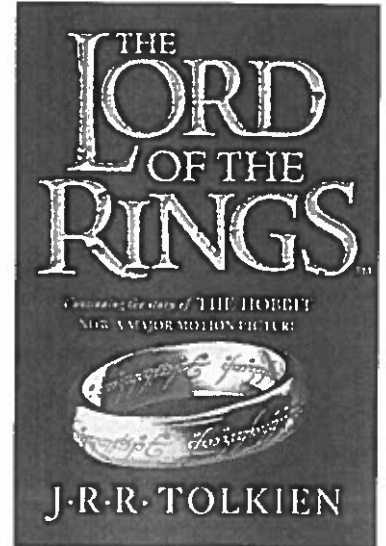
10 An Elf, swift
As the moon in the night
Whose bow lives with life,

Imagery-

Slimy, evil,
Wretched face,
Dark swords,
And black skin;
Raspy voices,
Red eyes,
Wormy teeth,
And maggot hair;
Perfect henchmen for the lords
Of dark and deep and fiery lore,
Who wait and watch to destroy and darken
All who defy them,
Except the Orcs
With wormy teeth

11 A Dwarf, reckless
With an axe as long
As his red beard,

12 Two hobbits, clever
With humor to add
And liveliness shared with all,



Taking a "Byte" out of Futures in Technology

by Mrs. Katie Roth
pictures by Mrs. Laura Grimm

The CS Girl Code Event at Walsh University aims to "introduce girls to Computer Science one 'byte' at a time." Ten students from Dalton worked with female professionals to learn more about educational and employment opportunities in the computer science industry.

Eighth grade participants from Dalton Middle School included Bethany Raber, Hannah Ferrell, Abbi Farlow, Kyli Justice, Hallie Starkey, Megan Hostetter, Sara-Jo Jones, Heather Gerber, Faith Lindeman, and Lauren Falb.

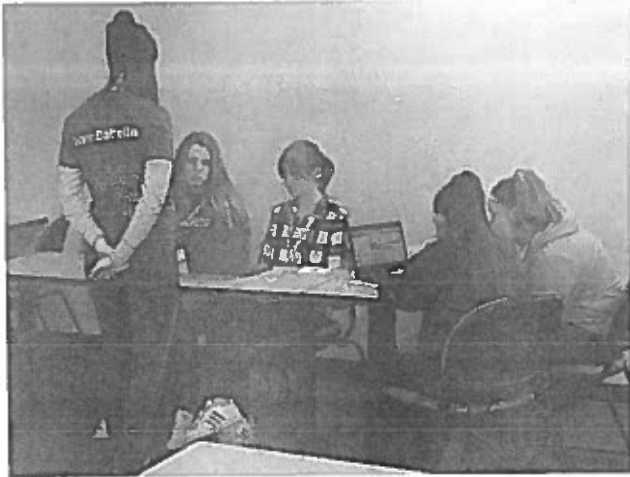
At the event, the girls attended a variety of sessions to interact with coding, Ozobots, web design, binary code, and more.

Abbi Farlow said she enjoyed working with the Ozobots and learning how to make the bots navigate a maze.

Megan Hostetter enjoyed Scratch Programming, a coding game.

Kyli Justice simply enjoyed learning about computer science in a variety of ways to learn more about her future field of study.

Overall, the girls had a fun day interacting with hands-on activities while learning more about technical innovations



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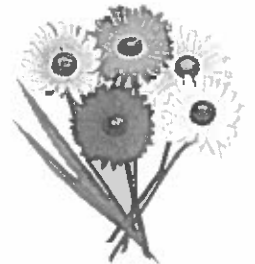
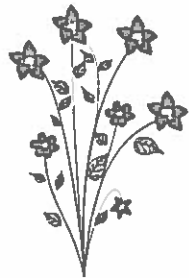
Diamante-

Rivendell.
 Beautiful, Safe.
 Singing, Writing, Laughing
 Without a care in their world on Earth;
 A place safe from the evil creatures that lurk
 In the shadows of Middle Earth's lands far and wide
 And a world of magic that will never perish without a fight;
 Rivendell, whose love shines far and wide that welcomes travelers
 Searching endlessly for a place to rest and patch their faulty brown robes-
 Travelers who are in need of help and guidance for their journeys far and long;
 It welcomes hobbits who are desperately wanting for their creativity to run fast and wild
 And to sing the songs made long ago to remember the quests and paths of the heroes of old;
 The one place where a Dunidan came to live when all hope and life was taken from him,
 A place where he learned many things about the Elven language, history, and place,
 He found his true love there: an immortal lady whose dress shines like the moon;
 The moon and stars, always watching over and shedding light over everyone
 And guides the people of this world to safe sanctuaries and havens like
 The one place called Rivendell, an Elvish glory with all things good,
 Rivendell, the one place where the Enemy has not touched,
 Rivendell, where the one quest to end evil entities began,
 Rivendell, the realm of Eirond the great king of old,
 Rivendell, flowing with ample crisp, clear water,
 Rivendell, the awe of a wrong Middle Earth,
 Rivendell, a beauty to cherish greatly;
 The river dwelling filled with many
 Lakes of hope, love, laughter;
 Wonder and amazement
 One word; freedom
 The Rivendell:
 Divine.



Save the Date!
Spring Greenhouse Plant Sale Coming in May!

- When: Wednesday, May 1 and 2, 2019
- Various flowers, herbs, and vegetable plants will be available.
- All profits are used for supplies and operation of the greenhouse.
- See Mrs. Grimm with questions.



STEAM Class Giving Students Career Knowledge

by Mrs. Laura Grimm

People trained in computer science are in high demand. 8th grade STEAM students are working at closing this gap by learning how to build and program LEGO EV3 Mindstorm robots.

Students have:

- Created time/power/distance graphs and then used them to make programming decisions
- Programmed robots to complete a mazes
- Added sound files to their programs
- Used the input from ultrasonic sensors and color sensors in their programming
- Built and programmed "whicket arms" and "grabber arms" to move objects



As a culminating activity, students chose to build, program, and learn to use one of the following advanced projects: a color sorter, a Gyro Boy (a robot with a gyroscope to allow it to move one two wheels), a robotic arm, or a robotic puppy. Mike Stitt exclaimed, "It was worth it to build a Gyro Boy, because we could have "bot fights" with other groups."

"Not every student is a natural builder or programmer. It is satisfying, however, to see students emerge as leaders and help others problem-solve their building or programming challenges," explained STEAM teacher, Mrs. Grimm. "I love to see students develop grit and work hard at completing their projects. It is exciting for everyone when they succeed."

Owen Walton summed up his feelings about STEAM robotics class in this way, "It's a fun project with a bit of challenge involved and it helps unleash people's creativity."



First Picture: Izaak Phillips and Ethan Farnsworth build a color sensor.

Second Picture: Brendan Lehman and Lucas Groff work at building a Gyro Boy in STEAM robotics class.

Third Picture: Tristin Graser excelled as a LEGO project builder.

Fall Unscramble

by Paige Smith, 7th grade

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Christmas Word Search

by Paige Smith, 7th grade

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 STOCKING
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CANE
 CHRISTMAS
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 GINGERBREAD
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 MISTLETOE
 ORNAMENTS
 SANTA CLAUS
 SNOWFLAKE
 TOYS
 WREATH

CAROLING
 EGGNOG
 FAMILY
 HOLIDAY
 JOY
 NORTHPOLE
 PRESENTS
 SCROOGE
 SNOWMAN
 TREE

Unscramble Answer Key:
 1.Acorn 2.Apple 3.Autumn 4.Chestnuts 5.Cider 6.Cornucopia 7.Cranberry 8.Crisp 9.Feast 10.Gourd 11.Harvest 12.Haystack
 13.Leaves 14.Maize 15.Pumpkin 16.Scarecrow 17.Halloween 18.Turkey 19.Thanksgiving 20.Pumpkin Pie