

General PTA Meeting
1/12
7pm

Introduction by co-Presidents Megan Hodges and Jill Wehner

State of the State:

Rachel Serna- Math Specialist has made a real difference

Parent Grade Level Parties: huge success- over \$15,000 raised

Artist Michael Toombs

Hip Hop class for 4th graders

Poetry Studies : with Jose Foss

Upcomign Dates:

Famil movie night Fri Feb 12th in MRP

Foundation sponsoring "Most Likely to Succeed- Why the current education model doesn't really prepare our students.

Feb 25th 7pm at SM East

Chate and Chew just started this Week

PRogressive Dinner April 23rd

Carnival May 13th

3rd PTA Meeting will be a Legislative Night- Date TBD

PTA Website has just been updated with all the financials. Feel free to ask questions.

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Dr. Hinson doing Super Chats- Encourage all to attend

Jan 20th 7pm at Indian Woods -

Mr.Lash: Principal

Building Update:

Refelection on what a "Dream School" Look Like

Physical:

Lots of Flexible Learning Spaces, Flat Screens, Furniture, etc

Library- Huge Space. Thinking of creating a Maker Space- Creativity and Design

STEM (Science Technology

Mr Farrel: 6th Grade Teacher

Maker Space: Place to Design and Create and Build in the Classroom

High Tech and Low Tech Tools

Students come with ideas and we help them bring them to life

Will be held in the Library

Focus on STEM skills

Mrs. Heinze and Mrs Nicholson-

Demonstrate Dash and Dot and how Kindergartners are learning with them

Hands on Robots that they can program

5 Different Apps can be used

Maisy Rawson demonstrated Dash

Kennedy Heinze demonstrated Dot

Mrs. Collins: Demonstrated Osmos

Levels get increasingly difficult

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Tan Gram: How to put their shapes in the correct position to form the shape shown

Words- Have to figure out the word

Numbers: Figures out how to build different numbers – using dots

Masterpiece: Draw on a normal piece of paper what is on the screen

Newton- have to get the ball to go to certain area on the screen

Mr. Cavender and Mr. Ferrell and Mr. Lissauer will have students show and talk about Tower Garden, 3D Printer, GaGa Ball and Little Bits

Tower Garden: Teach Science concepts related to growing and light

3D Printer: Showed different projects they have designed using the printer

GaGa Ball- Demonstration of Game

Little Bits- Little electrical parts...teach kids how things work

Blake Hodges and Danny Novo and members of the 4th grade robotics team

(Oliver Hodges, Connor Bykowski, and Oliver Novo)

demonstrate an example of one of their missions during competition and talk a little bit about the club.

Available for 4-6th graders

70 kids involved and 20+ parents

Parent run

Administered by the First Lego League

Kids work on their project and then take that to a competition to present

Discussed the 5 Core Values

Opportunity to sign up students and coaches for next year.

Mrs. Collins talks about Alternative Seating Arrangements

Standing Desk

Desk Pedal

Ball with legs for sitting at the desk

Wobble Stool

Rubber Band on chair legs or desk legs

Kids need space and movement to help them learn

