

7 Up News

Visitors Young and Old

Manchester Center Valentine's Day Party

Classroom 7 recently hosted a Valentine's Day party for the Manchester Center children. Everyone had lots of fun making paper lanterns and heart-shaped tulips, the most popular activities were hopscotch and balance beam.

When the kids wanted to take a break from the exciting activities they went to the life lab for a snack. Some of the Classroom 7 students had laid out some delicious food including strawberries, apples, cookies, and pretzels.

When it was time for the children to go home, they each received their paper crafts and a hardback book as a gift. It was tons of fun, and we hope to do it again next year.

Betsy Schein

Professor Wheeler

Professor Kate Wheeler visited Classroom 7 on January 29th. Professor Wheeler teaches art history at the University of Kentucky. She talked about ancient Greece. Professor Wheeler talked about the Parthenon, gods, and goddesses. She also showed us many pictures of vases, gods and goddesses, famous buildings and people, and other things. She told us how to recognize Athena in art. Athena either holds a shield and spear or a shield and a sword. Athena might be wearing a helmet. Sometimes she will also be holding an owl, or Nike – goddess of victory. Professor

Wheeler told us familiar stories and some not so familiar. When Professor Wheeler came, the class learned a lot more about ancient Greece. Professor Wheeler gave the class a timeline of Ancient Greece and what was happening everywhere else in the world at that time. She also gave us a book of Greek myths. I'm excited that Professor Wheeler is coming back to talk about ancient Rome. I can't wait to see her again.

Anna Ison

Theater Workshop

On January 23, Noah Sherr's dad, Mr. Jeff Sherr, came to visit us and taught us about the theater. At first he talked, and then we practiced different types of walking. We all did the silliest walk we could think of. After that we made frozen scenes (the park, the zoo, etc...). The loudest was our factory. The factory was a moving scene where we all pretended we were machines. There were conveyor belts, buzzers, and a lot of people putting things on the conveyor belts. It was so much fun and a great break from school work.

Emma Pederson and Julia Dunavant

Or We Go Out...

"Drumline Live"

Our class got tickets to see "Drumline Live" at Centre College in February. It was a long ride to Danville, but it was worth the wait. The show was amazing and loud with drums and dancers. It was awesome. After the show our class went to eat at McDonald's. What a great day we had!

By Emily Cook

Inauguration

On the day of the inauguration our class went to the Kentucky Theatre. We got to bring our lunches and eat there. It was fun to watch it on a big movie screen. When Obama walked out people in the theatre were clapping and screaming. What was also cool was that we saw Aretha Franklin sing "Our Country Tis Of Thee". Obama and his family came out and we got to see his daughters, Malia and Sasha, The best thing was that we witnessed history that day.

Emily Cook

Book Studies

Shiloh

Marty Preston is in the hills behind his house and finds a beagle which Marty names Shiloh. He thinks he will keep the dog, but on the way home he has trouble with Judd Travers. Judd is a big man who spits tobacco and drinks too much. He also has a gun. Marty has to save Shiloh from Judd because Judd abuses his dogs. Will Marty go too far? This amazing book was written by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. I recommend this book for people who like adventure.

Johnny Tremain

Written by Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain is the story of a young silversmith apprentice growing up in the time where the men and boys of Boston begin to stir. As they open their eyes to the cruelty of the British rule, King George catches a whiff of treason, and so the king sends

a "scarlet deluge" or a flood of redcoat soldiers.

While this happens, Johnny is going through his own problems-burning his hand, losing his apprenticeship, riding an insane horse, and being unable to find a home or job are a few to mention. After losing use of his hand, he goes to the wealthy merchant Lyte, whom his mother said to go to in his hour of need. Johnny brings with him a cup, a silver cup to prove his mother was a Lyte. Mr. Lyte does not believe Johnny so he steals the cup and sues Johnny, accusing Johnny of stealing a family heirloom. Johnny is lucky enough to win. He only won with the help of his friends Rab, Cilla (Priscilla), and Isannah. Afterward he got a job as a paperboy for Rab's uncle's newspaper, *The Boston Observer*. While working for the rebel newspaper Johnny meets many other Whigs, as he serves punch at their meetings.

Johnny falls in love with Cilla (which is what we have been waiting for since page 1), and she with him. Not long after, Rab fights in the Battle at Lexington, and Johnny, fearing Rab is hurt, sets out to search for him. All in all this is a great book. No wonder it won the Newberry Medal. It is made even better by having famous historic men such as Paul Revere, Billy Dawes, and John Hancock as characters.

A Wrinkle in Time

For a book study some people read A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle. It is about a strange visitor coming to the Murry's house who beckons Meg, her brother, Charles Wallace, and their friend Calvin O'Keefe on a dangerous and extraordinary adventure, one that will threaten their lives and our universe. I would recommend this book if you like science fiction.

Willow Dickey

What We're Studying...

Chemistry

For science all of the students are working on chemistry and the elements. There are five experiments and twenty-one works. Everybody is learning about the periodic table, and how to read it. Here is a chemistry quiz.

1. Which element is this – Pm?
2. Which element is this – H?
3. What is the most common element in the world?
4. Which is more common in the human body – carbon or oxygen?

Answers: 1. Promethium 2. Hydrogen
3. Hydrogen 4. Carbon

Willow Dickey

Ancient Greece

Quite recently Classroom 7 finished studying ancient Greece. We learned about the Greek gods and goddesses, the Greek alphabet and Greek architecture. My favorite part was learning about the Doric, Ionic and Corinthian columns. Some people ended up memorizing the Greek alphabet. Did you know that there are only 24 letters in their alphabet? The Greek gods were fun to learn about because there were so many and they had such interesting powers. My favorite goddess is Demeter, goddess of grain and the earth. She is the daughter of Cronos and Rhea. Ancient Greece was very interesting, and someday I hope to learn more about it.

Test yourself on what you know about ancient Greece.

1. Who is the god of the underworld?
2. Who married Zeus?
3. What is the pattern on a Corinthian column?

1. Hades 2. Hera 3. Plants

Betsy Schein

Celebrations

Mardi Gras

When Mardi Gras came around, Mrs. Irvin brought New Orleans food in for us to try. My favorite dish was the red beans and rice. It was very flavorful, although it was also quite spicy.

While we were eating, Mrs. Irvin and Mrs. Snider cut and served the king cake that Mrs. Irvin ordered from a New Orleans bakery. Daniel got the baby and was crowned the king. He also got a sheet explaining the history of the king cake. We listened to New Orleans jazz during lunch which was fun.

Laissez les bon temps roulez!

The Breakfast Café

The breakfast café
There's too much to say
At the door
You paid \$3.00 or more
Bought a t-shirt if you wish
Then picked up a dish
The most delicious food we ate
Piled it high upon our plate
Then we laughed and talked
Wandered and walked
Then you began to leave
Come again next year please