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Curriculum News: Upper Elementary

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Ms. Brigitte and I would personally like to thank all the parents for their continued support you have shown throughout the year(s). Through volunteering with classroom projects to field trips we are truly grateful and rewarded each day to have your support and your child in our classroom. The students wrote a reflection about the year and below are some of the comments from each student. We hope you have a wonderful summer and we are looking forward to next year!

Q: What did you like about the year?

A: *I liked that we never got in big trouble. I also liked doing so many fun things like field trips, fun projects, awesome P.E. units, morel hunting, and painting the stage for our play. I really loved our play and I think everyone else did too. I really enjoyed learning about early man. I also had a lot of fun doing my gladiators project.*

Q: What are you looking forward to for next year?

A: I'm excited to have the privileges of Junior High. I'm looking forward to the chemistry and biology classes. I'm happy that Ms. Brigitte is going to be one of my teachers next year. We are also supposed to be going on lots of fun trips next year. My favorite thing of all is that I will be with older kids.

-Skylar Epstein, 6th Level

Cougars Game, Going to Fun way and even the last day of school!

I liked many things this year, hanging out with friends, and learning new things that Mrs. Bre and Mrs. Brigitte taught me in Math, History, Reading, and Science. I loved learning and studying my lines for the drama, "Echo and Narcissus", it was a great hit!! But my favorite is going on field trips with my friends and my class. I also like doing P.E with Mr. Ray he does many cool things in P.E like Soccer, Basketball, Baseball (Softball), Fishing, Biking, Team Building, and Track. But probably my favorite thing is going to the Kane County Cougar Game for Ozzie's Reading Club!!!!!!!

-Jacob Cartland, 5th Level

I had a good year. I stayed on track with my work and had fun along the way. I loved all the field trips we took because I hadn't been to most of the places we went. I made great progress in reading and in math and overall everything. I liked some of the assignments.... sure it was hard at first this year, but what year isn't? I'm looking forward to the new people and new supplies for next year.

-Elaine Poletta, 5th Level

This year was a great year! I loved studying ancient Rome and ancient China. I especially liked doing my ancient Greece project and report. I loved creating my science fair project. I also favored trips to the museum and the Cougars game too.

I think that I accomplished a lot more this year than I did last year and I'm happy because of it. I feel a lot more organized. Right now it feels like I just walked into the classroom to begin my 5th grade year! When I was in 4th grade I thought that all the 6th graders were so big and now I'm practically a 6th grader!

Every day flies by in the blink of an eye and it's sad to think that the year's almost over! (I'm not saying I'm not excited for summer break though.....) I HAD A GREAT YEAR!!!

-Julia Carroll, 5th Level

When I first came here I was scared. Scared that that no one would like me but after a few weeks I got a feeling that maybe this was a really good school. This year was amazing, I learned about so many places from China to Greece. What is incredible is how many times we go outside! I love it! Art was really fantastic Ms. Liz gave us the opportunity to paint the stage with Ms. Lisa! Music was really fun with Ms. Fox. We got to sing Turn! Turn! Turn! One of my favorite songs! What I'm looking forward to next year is our poetry unit because during my free time at school I write poems. One more thing is gym is awesome! We learned how to play sports, we have gone biking and fishing. I can't wait till next year!!!!

-Kellyn Halliday, 5th Level

In thinking about the year I have discovered that I love doing cultural studies. My favorite one was the Greece Theater. I liked it because it was fun building, and learning about it. I also really enjoyed showing it to my class mates. I felt proud of my hard work.

-Sam Sierociuk, 4th Level

Around Christmas, we did Secret Santa. That was extremely fun. I got a karaoke microphone that made your voice go all high and squeaky. Halloween was very strange. The best part was when we played pumpkin bowling. The pumpkins took a lot of abuse, especially when we threw the pumpkins in the air and forgot to catch them. This year was the best!!

-Cohen Bessler, 5th Level

This year was a very good year. Really none of the year was bad in any way, I mean we got to go on fun field trips and fun activities like morel hunting and secret Santa during Christmas and painting and singing.

-Anthony Powell, 5th Level

What I liked about this year was geography, reading, P.E., and studies (projects). These 4 were my favorite because I had more time to do them and because I'm better at them too. I can't wait for next year. I'll be able to read more, do more, and learn more about countries. The only problem will be, that were moving to the lower elementary room. Maybe it's a good thing though. It will be a new room, new stuff, etc.

-LuLu Lowe, 4th Level

On the first day of school I was nervous when I walked through the door. I was greeted by smiles and every one made me feel so welcome especially Elaine. She showed me around the room and instantly I felt like I belonged. My teachers were also vary nice and also showed me around the room told me what was what. They assured me about what we would be doing and how we are going to do it. Now, 365 days after, I still feel the same pleasure I did that first day. Thank you Elaine, thank you Miss Bre and Miss Brigitte and all the other classmates who helped me through the year! ☺

-Victoria Akers, 4th Level

I liked that people were calmer and less chaotic

-Henry Griffis, 5th Level

My favorite part of fifth grade was cultural studies and the study that changed me was Greece. I also loved doing geography this year. This has been a good year.

-Tom Hougen, 5th Level