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HAMDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

Top Stories

Important Dates

**Holiday Recess: No
School from December
24 – January 1**

**No School: Martin
Luther King Jr.
January 21**

**HMS Marking Period
2 Ends: January 22**

**Early Dismissal:
January 24**

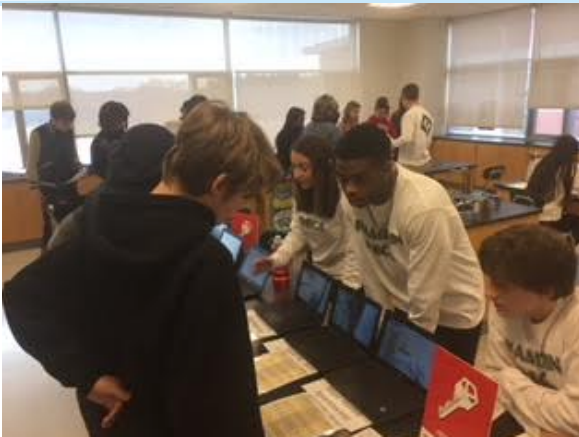
**Early Dismissal:
February 7**

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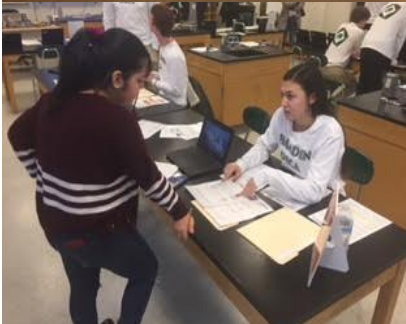


DECA the Halls with HMS



Ahmed Diakhate, HHS DECA student, led a Financial Literacy Simulation for Grade 8 students in Mr. Stanton's Everyday Math class on Friday, December 14th. Ahmed has selected this focus for the DECA competition this year and is working in collaboration with Ms. Faye Griffiths-Smith from UConn. The simulation not only enhances Ahmed's project, but also provided an opportunity for our Everyday Math students to apply what

they have learned in class. Thank you to all that participated including Mr. Bryan Anderson and his DECA students.



BUDGET

10. **Spending:** My monthly income will be \$1,000. I will include food and the internet. In my next 50%, I will add an additional 10% of my income to my savings.

Spending	Food	Internet	Cell Phone	High-Speed Internet	Total Income

11. **Income:** Using the chart below, enter your income from the following sources and your personal possessions. Enter a 0 for none.

Total Income: \$

12. **Spending:** Using the chart below, enter your monthly spending. Using the chart below, enter your monthly spending. Enter a 0 for none.

Total Spending: \$

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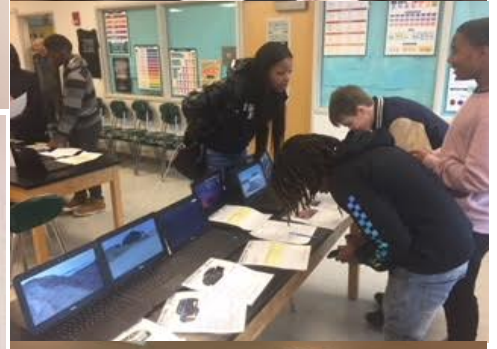
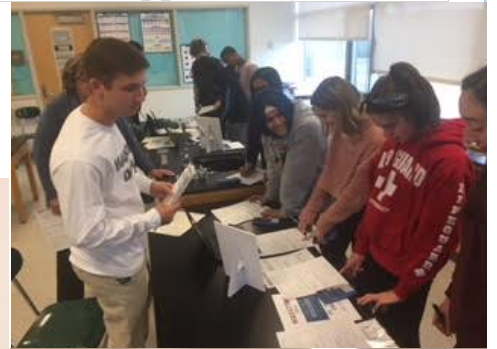
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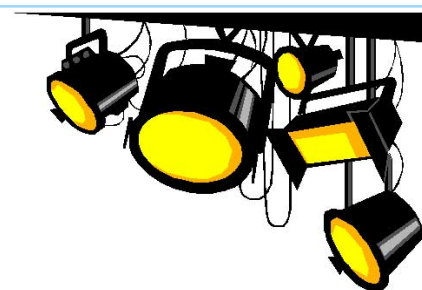
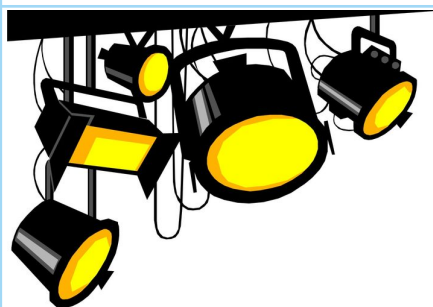
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Total Spending: \$

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Who is Ms. Marcoux?



Ms. Marcoux is an 8th grade Science teacher on team Domurad. Ms. Marcoux was born and raised in New Milford Connecticut. After high school she attended Mary Mount College and Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU). She earned degrees in Science and Earth Science. Before teaching at Hamden Middle School, Ms. Marcoux taught in New Haven. She also has worked as a Starbucks Barista, lifeguard, camp director, and was a manager at a Gap Kids. When asked about why she became a teacher Ms. Marcoux said, “I

really like working with my hands on Science. I also loved being around people, so teaching was the one thing that put those two things together”. An interesting fact about Ms. Marcoux is that her older brother teaches English in Korea.

By: Adonis S. , 8th grader

Fun Facts **Ms. Marcoux's Favorites**

Food: Hawaiian Pizza

Beverage: Coffee

Color: Green

TV Show: *Nature* on National Geographic

Book: Green Eggs and Ham

Music: Rock

Sports Team: Boston Red Sox



HMS SPORTS REPORT

2018-2019 HMS BASKETBALL SCHEDULES



Boy's Schedule

Hamden MS 2018-19 Middle School Boys Basketball Schedule					
12 Events Listed • Event Types: Game, Scrimmage, Postseason					
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Date	Opponent	H/A-Facility	Time/Result	Bus Time	Note
Thu., 12/6	New Haven MS	Away - Betsy Ross MS [Directions]	4:00 p.m.	Yes	
Mon., 12/10	Adams MS	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	
Mon., 12/17	Shelton Intermediate	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	
Tue., 12/18	Walsh Intermediate - Branford	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
Thu., 1/3	North Haven MS	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	
Mon., 1/7	Polson MS	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
Thu., 1/10	Melillo MS	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	
Thu., 1/17	Amity MS - Orange	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
Tue., 1/22	Amity MS - Bethany	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
Wed., 1/23	Bailey MS	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
Mon., 1/28	Amity MS - Orange	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	
Thu., 1/31	Bailey MS	Away [Directions]	3:45 p.m.	Yes	

Girl's Schedule

Hamden MS 2018-19 Middle School Girls Basketball Schedule					
12 Events Listed • Event Types: Game, Scrimmage, Postseason					
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Date	Opponent	H/A-Facility	Time/Result	Bus Time	Note
Thu., 12/6	Betsy Ross Arts Magnet	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	4:00 p.m.		
Mon., 12/10	Adams MS	Home - Hamden MS [Directions]	3:45 p.m.		
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The Most Wonderful Time of the Year

It's that time of year again, and many people are counting down the days until Santa shows up on his sleigh. I honestly love Christmas, and it's my most favorite holiday ever.

When it comes to decorating, my family doesn't go all out with decorations like most people. Normally we decorate the tree, and sometimes, we put a wreath on our door. My family doesn't really have any Christmas traditions, but one we used to have was we would open one of our gifts on Christmas Eve. I would always get really excited for Christmas after doing it.

Anyways, I hope everyone has a good Winter Recess. Happy Holidays!

By: Sarah S., 7th grade



Holiday Recess Teacher Interviews

Mrs. Humes: Over Christmas break, your three sons will be home, which is exciting for you since you do not see them much. You will exchange presents and enjoy delicious food. Your family will try lots of restaurants in the area.

Mr. Simone: For the winter recess Mr. Simone gets together with his family and friends at his house. You celebrate Christmas and give each other gifts. You also enjoy a lovely selection of foods, which includes; mashed potatoes, corn, steak, salad, and lots of gravy.

Mrs. Williams: Over the winter break, Ms. Williams will be spending time with her family and friends. Ms. Williams will also be attending a few Christmas parties and birthday parties.

Ms Marcoux: Ms. Marcoux will have Christmas dinner Friday December 21st. On Sunday December 23rd Ms. Marcoux is flying to Denver Colorado. Ms. Marcoux is going to spend the holiday with her brother in Colorado.

By: Souta S., 8th grade



Below is a picture of one of your HMS staff members when they were in Middle School. *Guess Who?* it might be. See the answer on the morning announcements.



New Year's Resolution 2019



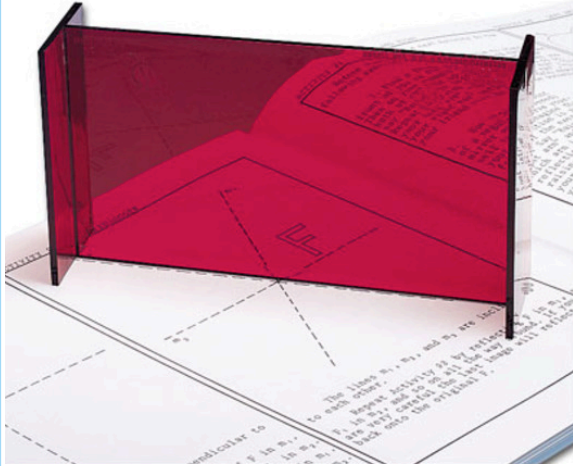
I know that almost everyone, including myself, are looking forward to 2019 and all the new, fun things it may

bring for us. At the end of every year, a lot of people make a list of goals for themselves to achieve in the new upcoming year called a New Year's Resolution. I myself don't make a New Year's Resolution, and if I did, I would probably forget about it and not accomplish some of the things I write down. So this year, I decided to do something different and pick one resolution to accomplish next year that I think will help me a lot. I decided that in the new upcoming year, I will try to participate more in class. Some of my teachers recommend me to participate more in class, so I decided to try and put myself out there more and be a better student by doing so. Participating in class can be scary for some kids, and I can understand that. They may might not want to be made fun of, or say something that'll embarrassed them, or will be afraid they'll be wrong. I decided that when I'm class, I'll try to forget about these things and just easily participate, because participating isn't that hard. It can be really fun sometimes and you can start a whole class discussion about your answer. Hopefully I can achieve this next year, and maybe get a head start on my New Year's Resolution this last month of 2018!

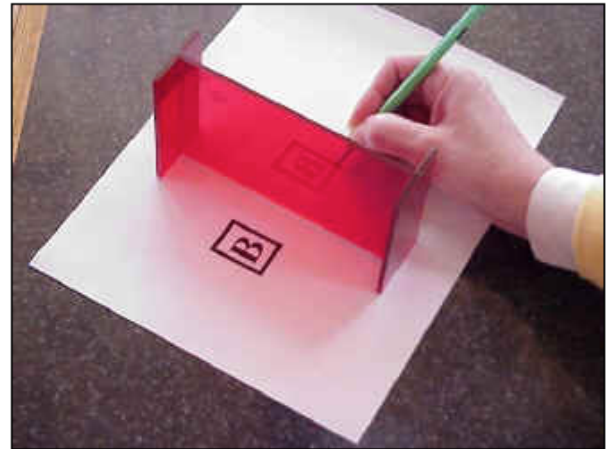


By: Maisa K., 8th grade

The Art and Math behind Reflections



In 8th grade pre-Algebra students learn about reflections in their unit on Transformations. Students are asked to use a device known as a Mira to help them understand the concept of symmetry and reflections. The Mira is a small red plastic device. The Mira is placed on the line of reflection and the original object is reflected in the plastic. By



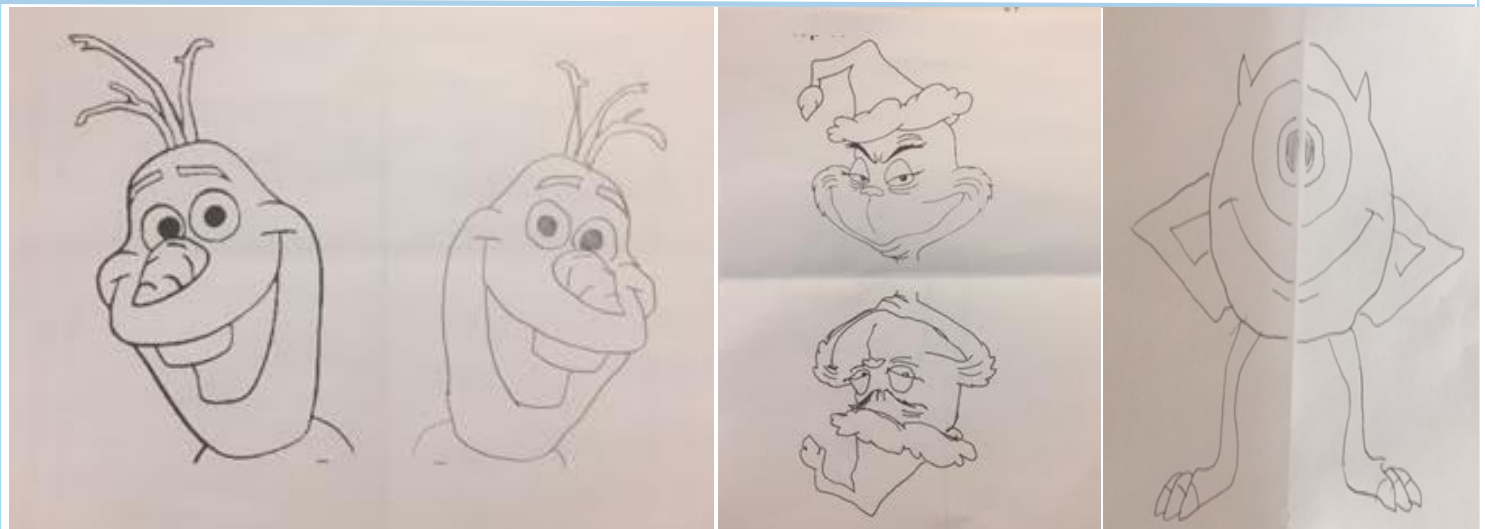
looking through the plastic, you can see what the reflection will look like on the other side and you can trace it with your pencil. The Mira forces students to map one image over another to varied



degrees but nevertheless, this mapping and moving of the Mira opens doors to conceptual understanding of reflections. Then once students understand how to use the Mira they are then able to go further by tracing their reflections. This is done by looking through the Mira and tracing the image in a surprisingly intuitive way. Once the Mira is removed the student have all of the components of the transformation left behind on paper.

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Student Examples From This Years Class.

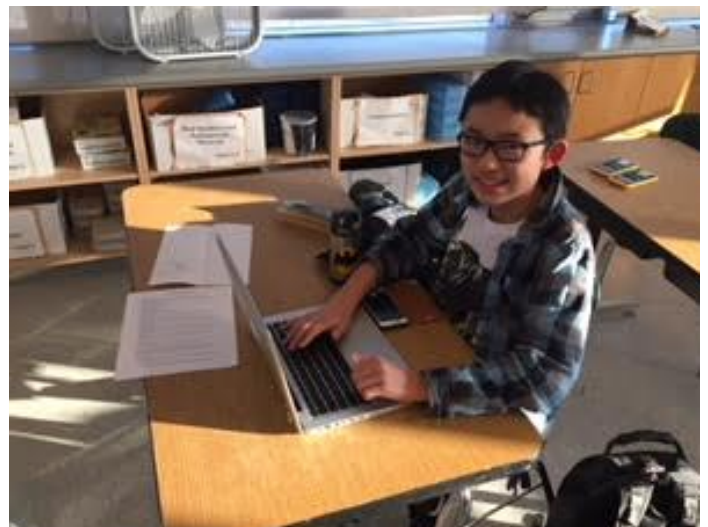
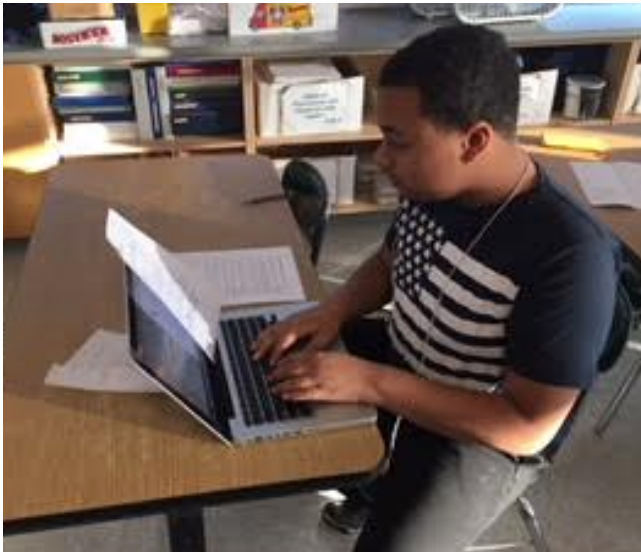


Newspaper Club Reflection



Just wanted to give a shout out to our wonderful Newspaper club members that helped create this month's newspaper. Thank you all for your continued work. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

By: Mr. Simone, HMS Staff and Newspaper Editor



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