



Weekly News Update
June 7, 2010

PIPELINE

5th
Grade

Best Wishes

It seems like just yesterday that these students were coming in for orientation to the Middle School. Now, it is the close of the school year and they have completed fifth grade. Where did the time go?

It was a very busy year with many exciting activities. They went to environmental camp, did science investigations, studied American History, read lots of books, and wrote many stories. They learned information and skills to help them develop and reach their personal goals. It is amazing to see the growth and progress of each student from September to June.

We wish the students and their families a safe summer and best wishes for future years.

6th
Grade

Thanks for a Great Year!

The end of the school year is just around the corner and the Sixth grade teachers would like to thank our students and parents for making the year so successful. All of our students accomplished a lot of wonderful things throughout the year that they should be proud of. It was truly a pleasure to work with each and every one of them. We hope you all have a great enjoyable summer! When you return in August as seventh graders, remember to always give your best. We look forward to hearing about all the wonderful things you will accomplish again next year.

7G

Thank you!

The 7G team wants to thank all of our students for a fantastic year! Now that finals are over and the school year is days away from ending, it is time to reflect on the good work you did and the good times



you had over the last nine months. You should all be proud of yourselves. We will see you in the fall.

Have a safe and happy summer break!

Butterfly Release

The students in Mrs. Thompson's 3rd Period English class had the honor of releasing our Painted Lady butterflies! After three weeks of competition, Period 3 had the highest percentage of perfect "Caught 'Ya" editing exercise scores. This challenge encouraged students to become better editors and proofreaders, to learn more about the metamorphosis of butterflies, and to make connections to our visit to the Butterfly Conservatory at our field trip to the American Museum of Natural History. Not only did Period 3 students display superb editing/proofreading skills, they also demonstrated amazing teamwork by creating a reliable system of checking one another's work each week. Way to go, Period 3 students!



7/8M

Summer Safety

As summer quickly approaches it's a good idea to consider some summer safety tips. Remember that the summer sun can really wear you down. When playing in the hot summer sun remember to drink plenty of water. Try to stay away from sugary drinks because they can actually make you thirstier. If you want a little flavor for your water try adding a lemon wedge. To avoid a nasty sun burn and to maintain healthy skin, be sure to apply plenty of sunscreen throughout the day. The first application should be 30 minutes prior to sun exposure and then again every hour after. It is recommended that you use sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 15. These rules apply to cloudy days as well as sunny days. To ensure that you return to school in August with all of your brain power maintained you should be sure to wear a helmet while riding a bike or rollerblading. For more summer safety tips please visit the following website.
<http://www.aap.org/advocacy/releases/summertips.cfm>

8G

Goodbye and Best Wishes

The 8G team would like to thank all of their students for a great year! We really enjoyed teaching each of you and hope you had an enjoyable 8th grade experience. We hope you look back fondly on your BHMS years and have many great memories. As you enter your high school years, we wish you the very best in all you do! Remember to always do your best and reach for the stars!

Encore

7th & 8th GRADE CHORUS RECEIVES 'SUPERIOR' RATING AT FESTIVAL

On Friday, May 14th, members of the 7th and 8th Grade Band and Chorus traveled to Lebanon High School in Lebanon, PA to the High Notes Festival. At the festival, two adjudicators from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster--Brian Norcross, Conductor of the Instrumental Ensembles, and William Wright, Conductor of the Vocal Ensembles listened to each group, awarding scores for Tone, Intonation, Diction, Dynamics, Technique, Interpretation, and Musical Repertoire. An average of the two judges' scores from 79 and below received a rating of GOOD, scores from 80-89 received a rating of EXCELLENT, and scores from 90-100 received a rating of SUPERIOR. The band, under the direction of Andrew German, received a rating of EXCELLENT and the chorus, under the direction of Nancy Chmielewski, received a rating of SUPERIOR. The Chorus also received a SUPERIOR rating at last year's festival, the first time since the group has attended this adjudication. After performing, the group traveled to Hersheypark for the remainder of the day.

