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A PSCS NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME TO SONGTOWN, BY GWEN POSTLE, HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER



For this project, students were tasked with building a town out of cardboard. They chose the setting and time period (in this case, moon colony, 3025) and brainstormed what buildings and structures were needed in the town. Once the town was built, the assignment was to pick a building or part of town that they did not design, and create a character that lived or worked in that location. Students then completed a free write from the perspective of their character, including details about family, friends, job, mood, personality traits, interests, etc. The next step was to choose a backing track that matches the mood of their character, analyze the form of the track, and write lyrics. The students then record themselves using a DAW called Soundtrap. The final product was a song written from the perspective of their newly created songtown residents. This is a fun project to emphasize why perspective is important to consider in songwriting as well as many other skills (toplining, form, sectional identity, mood, rhyme scheme, etc.) and is always a highlight of our songwriting semester!

2025-26 ENROLLMENT INTENTION

Each year Pioneer Springs gathers information about enrollment intentions for the coming year so that we can plan for the annual lottery as well as purchasing instructional materials and other items. Please **use this link** to access the form which takes under one minute to complete. If you have multiple students please complete the form separately for each student. Thank you for your anticipated help in collecting this data and for choosing Pioneer Springs.

Note, your response does not affect current enrollment status. You do not need to fill this out in order to have a spot for next year. Also, current in-person and Blend Program students do not need to enter the lottery. **If you have a student not currently attending Pioneer Springs who you'd like to enroll, you must enroll in the lottery.**

IMPORTANT DATES & ITEMS TO NOTE

- 12 March: WINGS meeting, 9am
- 13-14 March: 2nd and 3rd grade field trip
- 17 March: Picture Day
- 17 March: [Board meeting](#)
- 19-21 March: 4th and 5th grade field trip
- 24 March: Staff workday - **NO SCHOOL** for students
- 25 March: 11th grade ACT
- [Summer Camp information](#)
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- [Who to Contact and When](#)
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JOIN US & SUPPORT THE ARTS AT PSCS

Tickets on sale now for Twilight Among the Azaleas Gallery Opening & Art Auction



You are cordially invited to join us for our annual art social and auction, Twilight Among the Azaleas. Funds raised will support fine arts education at Pioneer Springs.

[Click here for a link to the event website.](#)

There are many ways to participate:

- Join us from 5-7 pm on March 20 at the Betty Little House for an all ages art gallery opening
- Join us from 7-9 pm on March 21 at the Betty Little House for a 21 & over Gala and art gallery opening; tickets are \$25 per person
- Bid on student art in our silent auction (you do not need to be at the events to win)
- Enter our 50/50 raffle
- Contribute to our arts materials fund in the store on this website
- Spread the word to your family and friends!

**When every member of the community makes a sustainable contribution,
Pioneer Springs thrives!**

MONDAY, THE 17TH OF MARCH IS SCHOOL PICTURE DAY!



St. John Photography will be visiting our school to take portraits of the students.

If rain is forecast, assume showers will be brief, and pictures will be taken as scheduled. If the shoot is rescheduled, please bear with us – outside pictures are much nicer than ones in front of artificial backgrounds.

There are no up-front fees or obligations to purchase any prints. Proofs will be available online the week after pictures are taken.

Please email St. John Photography at info@stjohnphotography.com or call 704.889.7800 with any questions.

Pioneer Players Presents:



Disney's **THE LITTLE MERMAID**

Thursday, March 6 – 6 p.m.
Friday, March 7 – 6 p.m.
Saturday, March 8 – 2 & 6 p.m.

Join us as we go

UNDER THE SEA

10220 Independence Hill Rd., Huntersville



Pioneer Springs Community School

[Click here to join us and purchase tickets for *The Little Mermaid!*](#)

CLAIM YOUR SPOT ON AN AMAZING ADVENTURE!



We still have a limited number of spots still available for 10-12 grade students that want to experience the beauty and adventure offered by the Pisgah National Forest.

Our annual guided backpacking trip is **April 23-25**. Beautiful mountain views, endless star filled skies, and countless flora and fauna await participants as we backpack through the mountains in Pisgah National Forest. Backpacks, sleeping bags & pads, tents, and mess kits are provided for students to use by PSCS.

If you would like your student to experience this amazing trip email Mr. Chris at chris@pioneersprings.org for more information and a registration packet.

LEARN ABOUT OUR SUMMER CAMPS AND REGISTER TODAY



Summer camp registration is now open! Sign-up today to ensure that you have a spot!! From Camp PreOneer for rising Kindergarteners and First Graders to cooking and building camps, as well as camps exploring our National Parks, Milan, Tokyo and more! Our summer offerings are sure to excite wonder for students in preK through Sixth Grade.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

Daylight Savings Time begins this weekend!

Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock? ***Time will tell.***

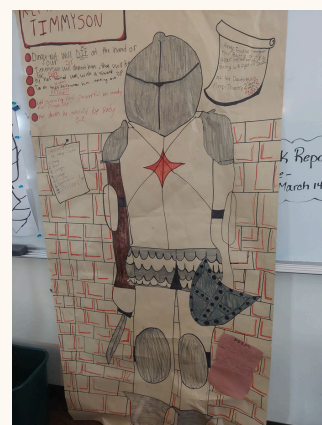
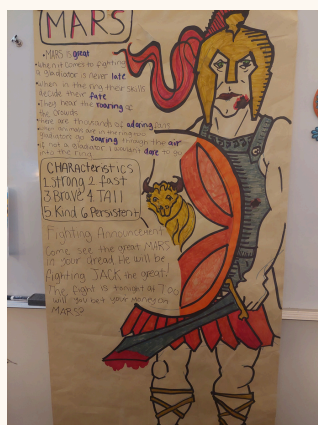
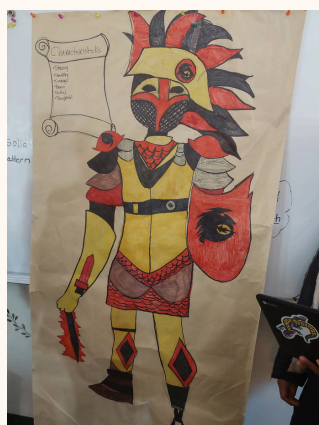
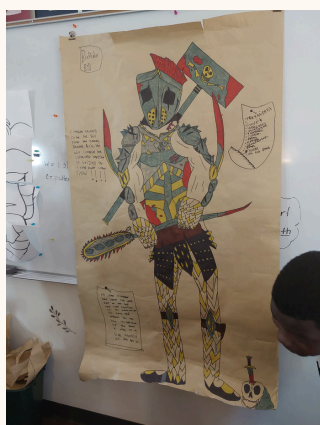
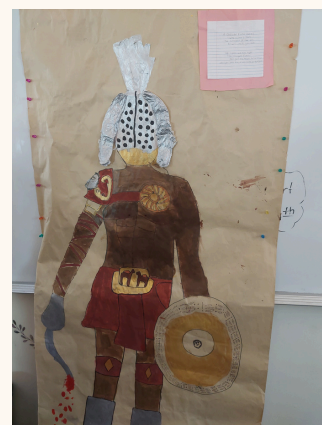
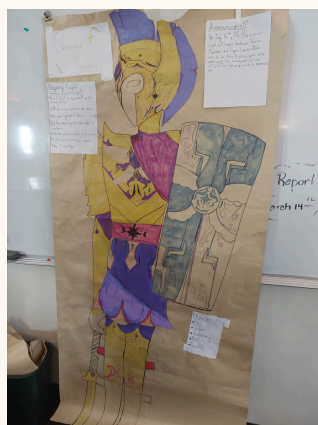
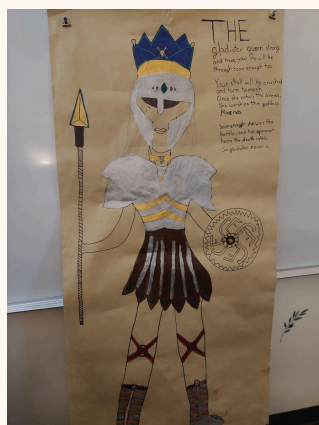
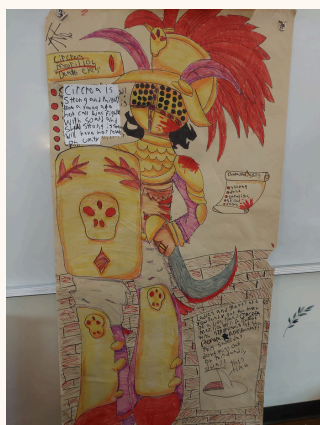
STUDENT SMILES



Our 4 new microscopes for the science department from a funded Donors Choose Project are a big hit. Ms. Megan's HS Biology students loved setting eyes on the difference between cell walls in plants and cell membranes in animal cells. Even when there were challenges - the prepared fungi slides threw them for a loop - is it plant or animal or neither? They still came away with a real understanding of how to use a microscope and its importance in the tools of a scientist.



Ms. Jackie snapped a photo of spontaneous stewardship!



Ms. Michele's 6th grade scholars created a life-sized gladiator during our Ancient Rome studies. It's worth noting that gladiators often had distinctive and elaborate attire, such as ornate helmets, colorful tunics, and decorative armor, which varied depending on their type and status. They researched the different types of gladiators, weapons, and attire before beginning their project. Students were also asked to write a rhyming couplet about their gladiator's battle with another gladiator.