



## RELATED ARTS NEWS

### LIBRARY

Welcome back students! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer. We will have another great year in the library; our first book fair is in the fall, notices will go home as we get closer to the actual day. New books will be arriving shortly and I can't wait to read them. I hope you are as excited as I am to see the new titles, so look for them on the "New Books" cart. If you kept a list of books you read over the summer please bring your list to the library!



### Elementary Music Newsletter

### Mrs. Francis and Ms. Stolarun

I would like to welcome back the elementary music students. I am excited to teach the students using a new music program called the Quaver Music Program. With the use of the smart board, it engages elementary music students in understanding music note reading, listening skills, singing and playing instruments in a fun and exciting way. I will also continue using the Preschool Prodigies Music Program in order to continue using the color coded chroma desk bells and correlating solfege syllables for the younger students and using the recorder program for the older students. I am proud to say that many of the fourth grade students have joined the band and are off to a great start. I will look forward to teaching the elementary music students and will announce concert dates in the near future. Feel free to contact me should you have further questions. Kathy Francis

Students in the 6th grade choir/general music classes have started singing a new piece of music titled "Believer" and will add a second piece to their repertoire list soon. Students voted on their favorite pieces last week in class. Students in the 5th-8th grade concert band will begin working on "Star Wars" this week! Ms. Stolarun is excited to be working with all of the student musicians at Porter school this year.

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## Mrs. Shive's Art and Technology Rooms

Happy Fall and welcome back to the 2018-19 school year here at Horace W. Porter School! My name is Mrs. Shive and I will be teaching Art to grades Pre-K-4th grade as well as one 5th grade art class and an 8th grade Art Honors class. In addition to Art this year, I will also be teaching Technology to Middle School. I look forward to another amazing year of sharing my love of learning with the students here at Porter. I also wanted to share that I currently have a project on my Donorschoose.org page if you are interested in seeing what technology I'd like to bring to my students' classroom. Or, if you are interested in donating to my Donorschoose.org projects here is the current link: <https://www.donorschoose.org/mshive>

Donorschoose.org has brought such joy and learning to my classroom and I hope the students have shared the projects we've gotten funded with you. It's a wonderful way to support your child's art program and watch as their faces light up as they open the packages of new materials!



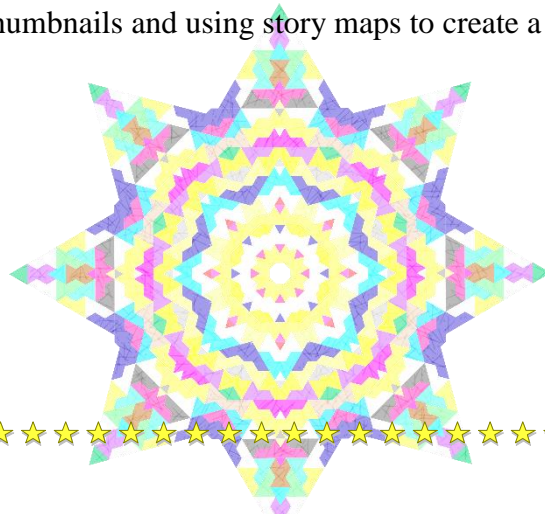
## Mrs. MacDonald's Art and Technology Rooms

***ART HONOR SOCIETY (NJAHS) MEETINGS BEGIN NEXT WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:30 AM AND WILL BE EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 7:30 AM!!!***

I am looking forward to teaching your children in grades 1-4 in the computer technology room! This will be a year of great growth for your child. Technology begins with the basic understanding of how technology is used, and in our school, every child has access to technology! We are very fortunate here at Porter School. Students will become very familiar with the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Publisher, Paint, Excel), and experience some great Web 2.0 tools such as StoryboardThat and Code.org that enrich their learning greatly.

I will send home projects as they are finished and printed.

In the art room, students are busy designing their Lions Club Peace Posters (art honors classes grades 6-7) and in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, students are right now drawing thumbnail sketches and drafts of their Fire Prevention Posters. Students in middle school visual arts are learning how the art elements and principles are used to create visually dynamic artwork. My 5<sup>th</sup> grade art honors classes are busy drawing thumbnails and using story maps to create a story for their clay storyteller dolls!



Mr. Piro and Mr. Tobler

Health and P.E.

The PE and Health Dept. are excited to welcome back our students for the 2018-19 school year.

Mr. Piro and Mr. Tobler are looking forward to teaching both Physical Education and Health Education to the entire school, as well as running our athletics programs.

Mrs. Jardim

Life Skills

Life Skills has gotten off to a great start this year. The 8th grade is already getting acquainted with the sewing machines -starting today! They've learned to thread a needle and tie a knot, sew buttons that won't fall off and stitches that won't come out! These simple hand sewing skills will come useful in life... Next step is to sew tote bags while enjoy working with sewing machines.

It's day 6 and the 8th grade is on track for a wonderful year!

**This will be an amazing year!!**

**See you at Open House September 13<sup>th</sup>!!**