

1. LEARNING A NEW SKILL. Graham Reed and Cash Callas, 06, work on a clipboard in STEM. Reed enjoyed creating the clipboard, but was most excited for the mousetrap car. "I liked experimenting with the different machines and learning how to work with metal," Reed said. photo by g. stout 2. CREATING MASTERPIECES, Audrey Glazier and Linnea Paulsson, 07, improve their artistic skills. Glazier enjoyed Art because she could relax and create new projects. "Art is new to me, so I've been aking it as it comes," Glazier said, photo by m. murphy 3.

A CHEF IN THE MAKING, David Arnn, 08, preps to make a stir-fry in FACS. After making the Asian dish, the class visited India's Kitchen. "I've never cooked before, so FACS helped me." Arnn said, photo by a, lang 4, IN JAZZ BAND, Elise Kriss, Isaac Freking, Henry Combs, Bill Burton and Zachary Luzietti, 08, play trumpet. Luzietti became interested in music when his uncle found a cornet, and he has been playing trumpet ever since. "I like jazz and rock music, so I decided to join the Jazz Band," Luzietti said. photo by k. tucker 5. RECREATING HER HOME, Carly McHale, O6, constructs a miniature model of her bedroom in Modern Technology. Once they created the room, students worked on an egg-drop project for the class. "After building the bedroom we get to decorate

> the interior, which I was excited for," McHale said. photo by m. murphy 6. **CREATING A MAP IN SOCIAL STUDIES.**

Ryder Meale and Owen Persichetti, 06, improve their understanding of nistoric Mesoamerican culture. For Meale, sitting next to Persichetti gave him new insight into the learning. "The map project helped me understand the nca and Aztec unit," Meale said. photo

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DIFFERENT, from refined arts to extended learning opportunities, teachers offered a variety of courses that were designed to engage students. Music Appreciation, a class taught by Mrs. Elizabeth Stephens and Mr. David Eilert, enabled students to relax through different musical genres. "Music makes me feel better about myself and helps me get through life, so I like the elective," Micah Profitt, 08, said. Film Studies, a course

offered exclusively to eighth graders, focused on analyzing movie genres. "So far we've only watched horror and thriller, but I would say that thriller is one of my more appreciated film types," Matthieu Helaine, 08, said. Michael Schriefer, 07, preferred the performing arts. After participating in Drama for the first time, he found a significant improvement in his acting skills, and he even felt more confident. "It's helped a lot because everybody acts, so I felt comfortable," Schriefer said.









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Redfearn, Griffin Stout and Trevor Landen, 08, further their understanding of Newton's three laws through an experiment. During the Sled Lab activity, students tested Newton's second law, which showed that an object with more mass needs more force behind it. "I learned that when you put heavier weights on something, it will go faster," Landen said. photo by k. andersen

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1. PREPPING A PIECE ON THE VIOLIN, Hailey Knowles, 08, works to perfect her songs. "It's really 2. ENJOYING PLAYING, Zefanya

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