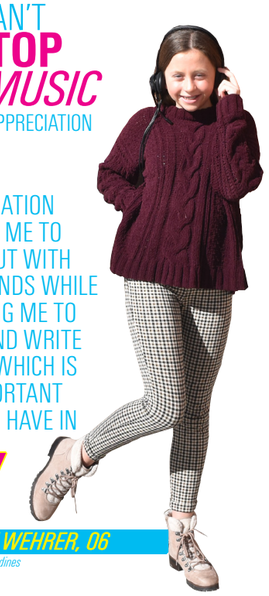
1. **PREPARING FOR INTERNATIONAL TOWNE,** Alyah Jargon and Gregory Stoessel, 07, undergo intense training on global interdependence for the field trip. Stoessel and Jargon learned about currency exchange through an economics activity. These skills were vital not only the field trip, but for life. "I plan to visit other countries one day, so I can utilize these skills when I travel internationally," Stoessel said. *photo by l. wilson* **2. IN THE MEDIA CENTER,** Benjamen Spielmann and Violet Larson, 07, identify ancient artifacts and determine whether they are a primary or secondary source. In this activity, 7th grade social studies students examined different cultures from various time periods. "This is an important skill to know so you don't gather false information," Larson said. *photo by k. dail* **3. ON VETERANS' DAY,** 6th grade students gather in the Media Center to listen to former Air Force Pilot Vorry Moon discuss his experiences serving in the United States military. Students like Ariel Krivocheev, 06, were interested in his story. Krivocheev spent the day learning about veterans. "Soldiers like Vorry Moon would do things like shoot rockets and fly planes, which was really interesting to learn about," Krivocheev said. *photo by c. kalkofen*

4. INTRIGUED, Emmett Bland, 06, absorbs information in 6th grade social studies. Although Bland loved history, he was fascinated by geography. Bland maintained that geography is a crucial life skill. "Learning about geography gives me a chance to understand what the world is like around us," Bland said. *photo by m. ratcliff*

CAN'T STOP THE MUSIC

MUSIC APPRECIATION

"MUSIC APPRECIATION ALLOWS ME TO HANG OUT WITH MY FRIENDS WHILE TEACHING ME TO READ AND WRITE MUSIC, WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT SKILL TO HAVE IN LIFE."



ZOEY WEHRER, 06

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EXPERIENCE LIVING HISTORY

LESSONS LEARNED

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TAKING AN ACTIVE LEARNING APPROACH TO EDUCATION, 7th grade social studies was more hands on than students expected. With the ultimate goal of building financial literacy and historical awareness among students, Ms. Jenna Keirns and Ms. Lisa Calkins, social studies, incorporated simulations and hands-on activities into lessons.

"Seventh grade social studies is all about understanding and connecting with people in other cultures," Keirns said.

Learning in an innovative way enhanced the information and made it more tangible for students. Owen Persichetti, 07, valued the active learning activities in social studies.

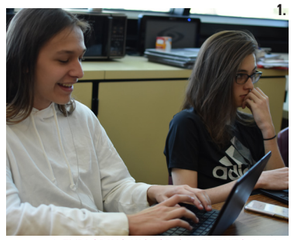
"I'm a hands-on and visual learner, so it really helps me to do more hands on activities," Persichetti said.

This active learning method of teaching helped to cultivate a love for history for many students. Skylar Rath, 07, found an interest in Roman architecture.

"When I travel in the future, having this background information will be really helpful," Rath said.

Not only were social studies skills useful, but the course also dealt with the complex world of mathematics. For Joshua Perez, 07, math is vital to building a business.

"In entrepreneurship, math is used to determine prices, supply, and demand, which is a very important skill to have," Perez said.



1. EXPLORING HISTORICAL EVENTS, Hayden Knowles and Samuel Giffen, 08, watch videos about historical topics. They watched a television show about the French and Indian War and independently analyzed the information. "During Timeless History, there is a lot of freedom, which makes the class fun," Knowles said. *photo by m. sweet*

GOING BACK IN TIME

LESSONS FROM THE PAST IN TIMELESS HISTORY AND FILM STUDIES

2. IN FILM STUDIES, Ashlee Howard and Linnea Paulsson, 08, learn about science fiction as a film genre. Students watched and analyzed films from various genres including *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. "Film Studies has changed my outlook on movies because I now better understand how movies have changed over time," Howard said. *photo by a. dines*

WE'RE GOING TO LEARN FROM THE PAST

ACADEMICS

IF YOU COULD MEET **ANY PERSON** WHO WOULD IT BE?

"Christiano Ronaldo because he is my favorite soccer player."
ASA BOLAND, 06

"My grandpa because he passed away recently and I rarely got to see him."
FINNUALA WHELAN, 07

"Nyjah Housten because he is an amazing skateboarder."
RYAN ALDERETE, 08

"Maya Angelou because she is an inspirational woman and is very grounded."
MS. DAWN DAVIES, COUNSELOR

"Alex Morgan because she is a really amazing soccer player."
CHLOE FRETZS, 06

"George Washington because I'd like to learn about how his life was different from now."
DANIEL PUMPALOV, 07

"Taylor Swift because she is a huge inspiration to women and I have been listening to her since I was little."
BROOKLYNN BUNTEN, 08

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