

PROTSMAN NEWSLETTER

*A monthly newsletter for the Protsman
Panthers*

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Protsman families,

This year at Protsman we are beginning our days with a Mindful Intention Practice. This is a mindful focus to help us begin our day in a peaceful state, being aware of our surroundings. We want to reinforce a calm beginning to our day as we practice our intentions that will help to develop us into socially responsible, caring, giving individuals. A few of the Mindful Intentions we have practiced thus far this year have been: "I will use words to build others up," "I will try to see things from someone else's point of view," "I will respect other people's personal space" to name just a few. We also have teachers that are using different brain breaks in their classroom, breathing techniques, and even meditation! To the left are some snapshots from Mrs. Ballenger's kindergarten class as they practice their daily meditation and breathing techniques.

Peace!
Mrs. Sapyta

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STOP, DROP, AND ROLL

*Fire Prevention Week was celebrated school-wide
October 6, 2019 - October 12, 2019.*

All grades participated in Fire Prevention Week presentations given by our very own Dyer Fire Department. Students learned the importance of fire safety through interactive activities along with staff members and firefighters.



APPLES FOR TECHNOLOGY

*Learn more about the Apples for Students Program that
Protsman Elementary is participating in!*

Protsman is participating in the Apples for Students Program with Strack and Van Til. We have an amazing opportunity to get FREE technology, classroom supplies, and resources for our students! **All you need to do is save your receipts from Strack and Van Til and send them to school with your student!** We will do the rest! The more receipts we receive, the more points we earn and ultimately, the more prizes we can redeem for our students! This program has already started and will run until **March 13th**.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Schultz at jschultz@lcschools.com or ext. 3602.

Happy Shopping!





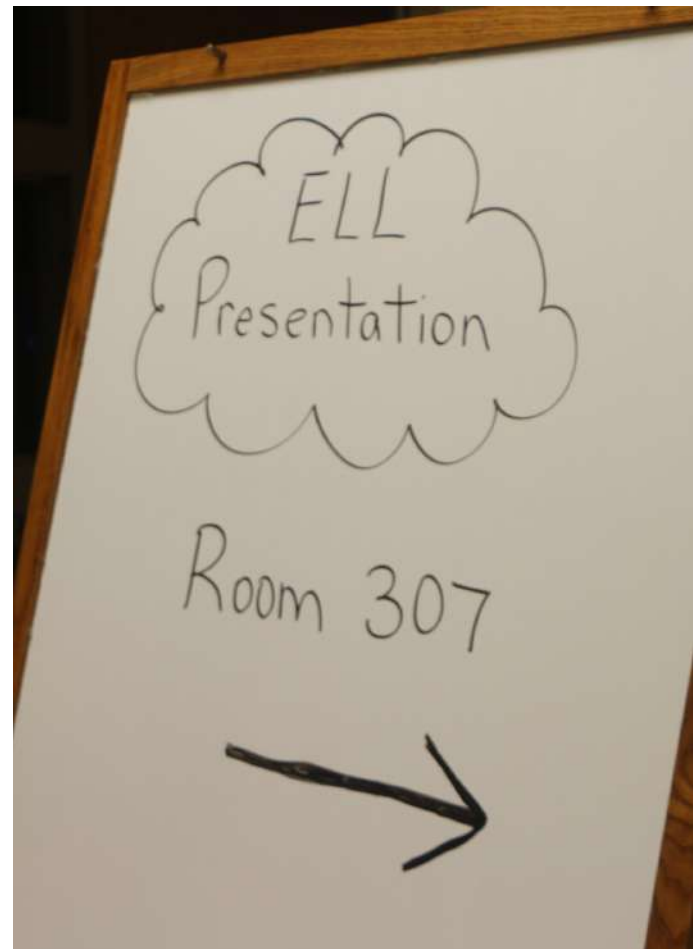
LANGUAGE ARTS LEARNING

A night was dedicated to teaching parents about different reading and language comprehension skills.

Parents of Protsman students were invited to this year's Title One Parent Night, where they sat with teachers and specialists to learn more about their child's comprehension strategies. Parents were able to engage in discussions and interactive lessons along with advisers.

Reading specialists worked with parents to discuss strategies they could use with their child to better their reading skills within the grade level. Families whose children are in the process of learning the English language had the opportunity to speak with Protsman's English Language teacher.

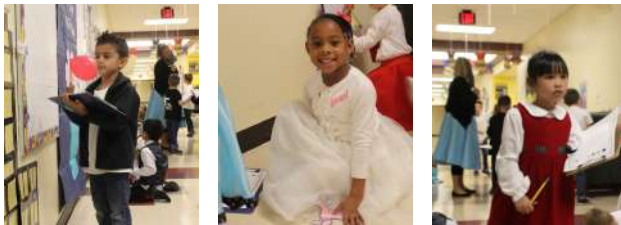
All families who attended received a selection of books to take home and practice with.



FIFTH DAY CELEBRATION

Kindergarten celebrated their 50th day of school by flashing back to the fifties!

Kindergarten students went back in time to mark their 50th day of school. They participated in games, created crafts, and made soda floats. All students were encouraged to dress in 50's attire.



LET THE FALL FUN BEGIN!

The Protsman Family Fun Night was held on October 11, 2019.

Students and their families gathered at Protsman to welcome the fall season through pumpkin decorating, playing games, and enjoying time together!

PROTSMAN & THE DRAGON

Read about Protsman's fourth year of the One School, One Book program!

All students and staff participated in the "One School, One Book" unit during the month of October. Each grade centered activities around the story *Kenny & the Dragon* by Tony DiTerlizzi to enhance reading inside and outside of school. Students made various crafts, answered trivia questions, wrote creative writings, interacted with students in other grades, and read with their families throughout this school-wide event.

The "One School, One Book" program alternates year to year with Lake Central's "One District, One Book" program, where all elementary schools participate and end the unit with a play at Lake Central High School. This school year, "One School, One Book" was organized by fourth grade teacher Mrs. Heather McGrath, along with the help of all of the teaching staff at Protsman.

"It is a wonderful way for our families to connect to our school, while encouraging reading and family time," McGrath said.

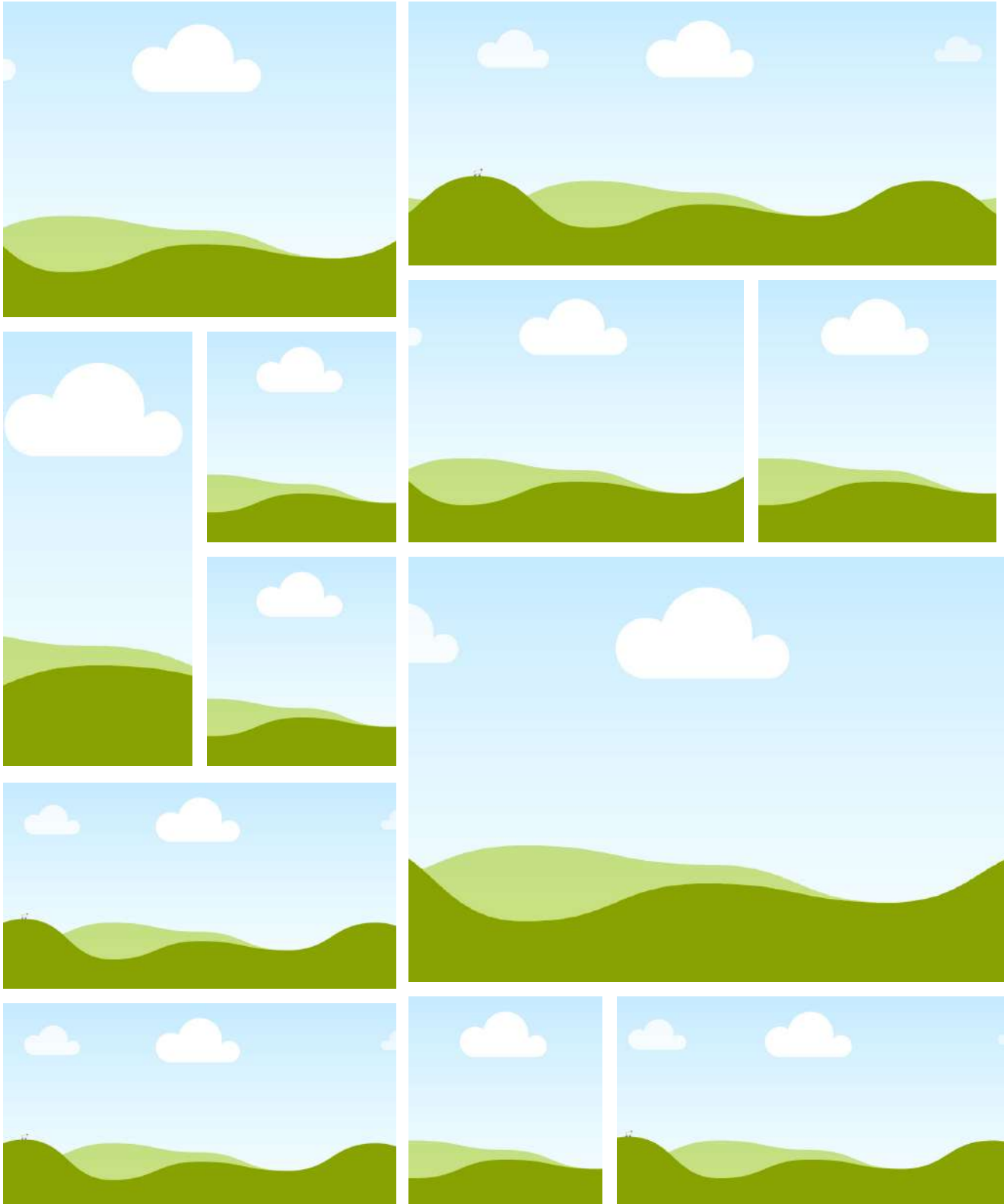
All of the students work included in this unit can be found around the school, as well as in individual classrooms. A big thank you to all of the families of students who participated!





HALLOWEEN PARTIES

Protsman celebrated Halloween on October 31, 2019 with their annual school-wide party.



COMING UP

Important dates to mark down in your calander.

NOVEMBER 11 Veterans' Day Breakfast

NOVEMBER 20 HSA Meeting @ 3:00 pm

NOVEMBER 28 & 29 Thanksgiving Break



CONTACT US!

Are there any classroom activities, school events, or special reminders you would like to see in the November News letter?

Please email gracie2651@gmail.com or printers@lcscmail.com with any inquiries!