Garnet Mesa Student’s GT Projects

Garnet Mesa students Mia Yost and Spencer Hughes displaying their GT projects. Mia created a vacation resort, and Spencer created a remote control car along with a report explaining how it was made and how it works.

Cedaredge Elementary’s GT Students are Busy!

Cedaredge Elementary’s Gifted and Talented students are continuing to be challenged daily at school. In the science class that is taught by Mrs. Lange, they have been applying different ratios of substances to an experiment. Depending on the ration of the substances, the students found out that they could form a liquid plastic or a solid plastic. They also did some investigating of the periodic table of elements.

The students have also been creating a narrative and a nonfiction book to be sent into the publisher on February 27. They, and Ms. Lampton, are all excited to see what their finished books will look like. The books will be a new fantastic addition to our school library and the students will get their own copy to take home.
Some of the younger students, in the building, have been getting extra help in reading every week. The GT students have been helping our younger students that struggle in reading, to become more fluent and better decoders.

Finally, our teachers are continuing challenging these students to go above and beyond in all their classroom assignments. Gifted and Talented students are expected to think outside the box and share their knowledge with their classmates on a regular basis.

**Crawford Kids focus on Writing and Language**

Two groups of three students are working on Kid's as Authors books to be submitted in March. They have completed their stories and are researching and planning art for use in their illustrations. Four students are practicing new languages using Mango Languages. One student is completing a compilation of Myths that she has written throughout the school year.

**North Fork Community Montessori School….Got Latin?**

QUOMODO LATINE HOC DICITUR? (What's that called in Latin?)

Students at NFCMS that are identified in Language Arts are meeting weekly for a Latin class. They are using the textbook Minimus Secundis that is a textbook out of England. They learn grammar mechanics as well as vocabulary and pronunciation. The students make up their own conversations and then record them on the iPad. The curriculum is very engaging as it follows a known family that was stationed in Vindolanda around 100 AD. Vindolanda is an old Roman fort near Hadrian's Wall in Northern England. Magnam habent hieme! (Have a good winter!)

**Lincoln Elementary’s GT Program is Happily Ever After**

Lincoln Elementary is busy getting ALP's completed for 12 new 3rd graders. We are beginning an after school program entitled Enchanted Castle. The students will be reading fairy tales, and gaining an appreciation for literature. The students will have the opportunity to create their own fairy tale. They will also be starting a school newsletter that will be published monthly.

**It’s often times difficult to determine how to supplement your gifted and talented child’s needs; our next Parent meeting is Monday, February 10, at 6pm, at the District Office. We hope you can join us so that we can update you, provide insight, and support you and your child.**

**Additional GT Resources:**

- Western Colorado Assoc. for Gifted & Talented [http://www.gifted51.org/](http://www.gifted51.org/)
- The Davidson Institute [http://www.davidsongifted.org](http://www.davidsongifted.org)
Paonia GT Kids are working hard!

Students at PES continue to work on their self-directed projects. We are excited to see their work at the GT showcase!

DMS GT Activities

Upcoming events for the DMS G/T club are below; if parents would like to attend field trips, please contact Mr. Holmes at: kholmes@deltaschools.com

February 5th - Tentative date for a visit to the Mesa County Court House and Colorado Bureau of Investigation

February 14th - Snow Shoe in the Black Canyon, including a lesson on animal survival in the winter

January 26th - Cooking with Mrs. Johnson (1/2 day activity at DMS)

Paonia Jr. Sr. High Reaches New Heights

We have four kiddos doing an online Engineering course through Brown University. Chelsea Meilner, Blake Benson, Tim Helmer, and Warren Minerich. Last month, the Paonia junior high Integrated Studies class had a unit on flight, which culminated in Raul Oliva letting them test out his hot air balloon.