

## Students Triumph in Battleship Tournament, Earn Opportunity to Lead Class Instruction

In our school, the mathematics community stresses the importance of real-world connections in teaching. Mr. Silvestro's sixth-grade Math classes recently learned about the Coordinate Plane. The scholars faced each other in a "Battleship" game, placing their ships along the X and Y axis to implement their learning of rational number coordinates and reflections. Like World Cup style, scholars earned three points for each win and scored one point for a loss. After a handful of preliminary matches, the top six were split into two teams. Each victorious team sunk all five of the opposing ships. The morning winners consisted of Trevor, Isha, & Kira and the afternoon winners were Gianna, Teddy, & Max. These winning teams will work together over the next few weeks to prepare to teach a lesson in Mr. Silvestro's class, during their respective periods, on the final full day of school. Although this does not come with disciplinary powers of giving homework or detentions, the winning scholars are excited to strategize a lesson for their peers.

