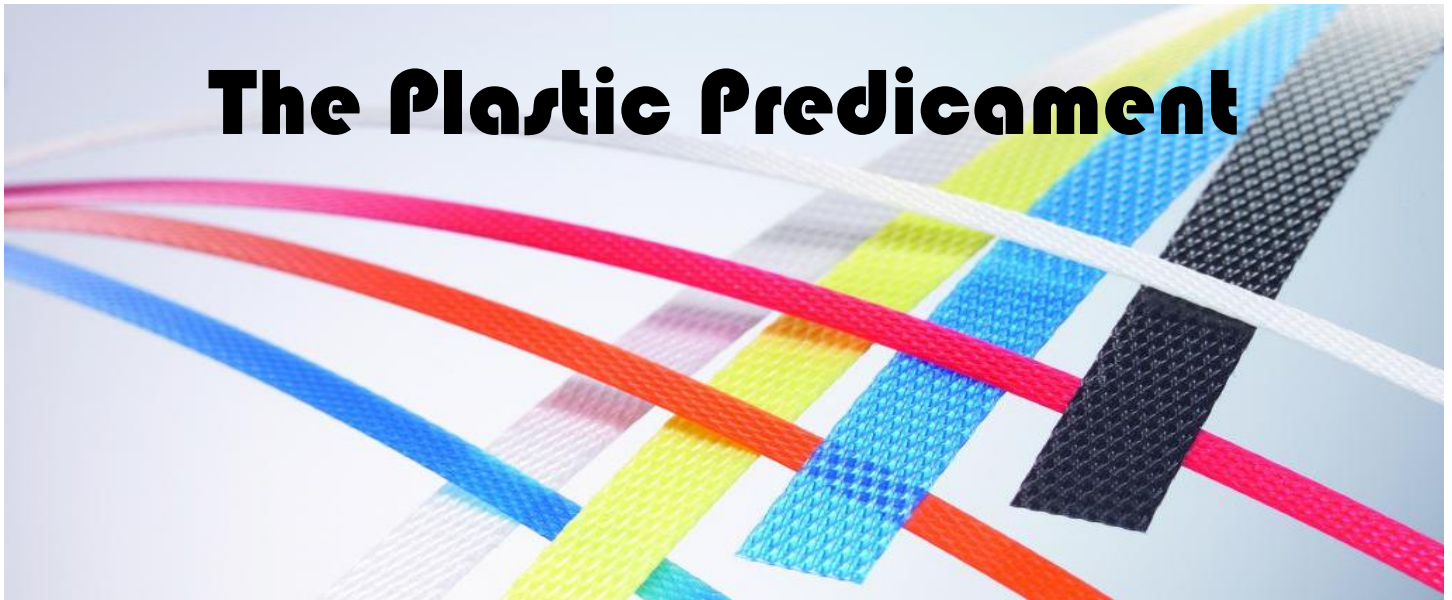


The Plastic Predicament



Dear Parents, Teachers, and PEAKers,

Thank you so much to those who were able to come watch our Egyptian Pixton story presentations! Student partner pairs each did a fabulous job of writing original Egyptian mythology themed stories, and bringing them to life using Pixton software. We were so happy to share them with younger students here at Rossiter, and later, with you! Great job, students! Unit 1 complete!

This week, students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will embark on a new unit: an exploration of Plastic. This high-tech material is used in nearly every industry around the world, and has incredible qualities, as well as some very serious environmental repercussions. Students will learn all about the chemistry of plastics with the help of professional chemists. They will be inventing, building, reusing, recycling, creating, and so much more with plastics of various types, and even making plastic of their own. Then, students will be creating presentations to teach about plastic and to help all of us reduce the negative impacts of plastic in our homes, town, and world.

This Week's Activities: Nov. 10 - 14

Research: Internet

I can effectively navigate the internet and collect and cite relevant research with minimal (or no) teacher guidance.

Communication

Intrapersonal: Self-Expression

I can express my own interests, values, emotions, etc. within a project.

Interpersonal: Teamwork

I can assume an assigned role within a group and effectively contribute to a team.

Plastic 101 - Students will learn what plastic is, the various types, how it is made, and much more in preparation for our unit.

I Spy: Plastic - Student partner groups will use communication skills to identify plastic items all around them to show just how common these materials are in our day-to-day lives.

Plastic PEAK People - Students will use the attributes of various plastic types to determine which kind of plastic best represents them, and will use this information as an introduction. We'll later use these types to help students choose diverse teams.

"Plastic Minutes" Challenge - Students will use teamwork to participate in a competitive challenge using plastic materials in "Minute to Win It" events.

Ecstatic About Plastic,

J. Slead & C. Sieminski

PEAK GT3-5: Winter 2025

November 10	11	12	13	14
PEAK Middle School and High School Classes	Broadwater Bryant Central	Four Georgians Smith	Jefferson Jim Darcy Warren	Kessler Rossiter
17	18	19	20	21
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24	25	26	27	28
PEAK Middle School/ High School Week (No Elementary PEAK Classes)		Thanksgiving Break No School		
December 1	2	3	4	5
PEAK Middle School and High School Classes	Broadwater Bryant Central	Four Georgians Smith	Jefferson Jim Darcy Warren	Kessler Rossiter
8	9	10	11	12
PEAK Middle School and High School Classes	PEAK Parent/ Teacher Conferences	4Gs Smith Bryant	Jim Darcy Warren Rossiter	PEAK Parent/ Teacher Conferences
15	16	17	18	19
PEAK Middle School and High School Classes	Broadwater Central	PEAK Parent/ Teacher Conferences	Jefferson Kessler	PEAK Parent/ Teacher Conferences
22	23	24	25	26
Winter Break No School				
29	30	31	January 1	2
Winter Break No School				