

# My El Nino Campaign Reflection Data Collection - 2015 - 2016

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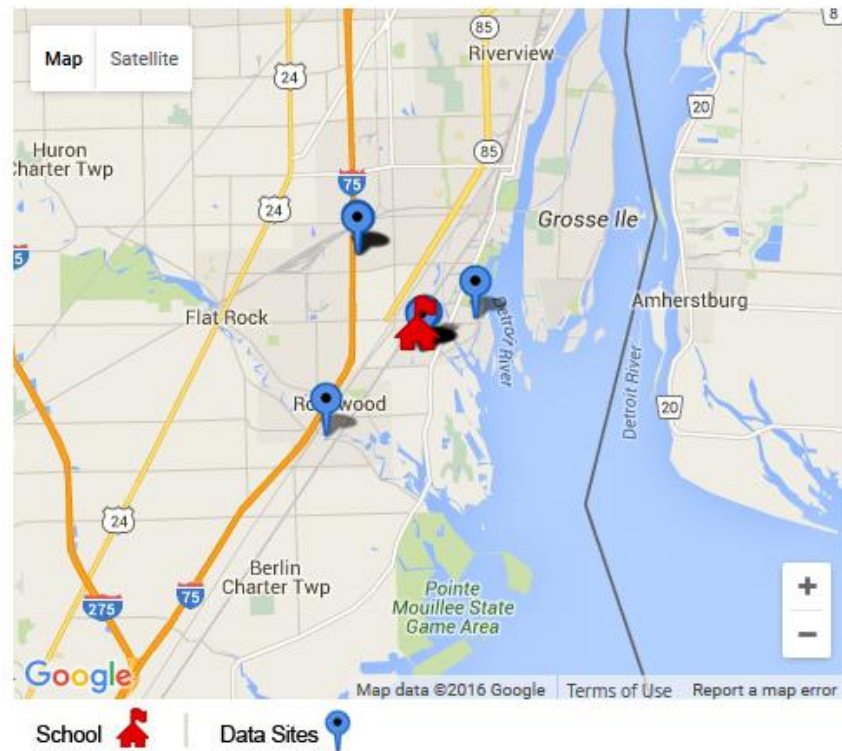


# Shumate Middle School (Gibraltar School District)

## Big #GettingScienceDone Shout Outs:

- David Bydlowski (Wayne RESA)
- Andy Henry (Wayne RESA)
- Brian Campbell (NASA SMAP/GLOBE)
- John Kay (Science Teacher SMS)
- Beth O'Neill (Science Teacher SMS)
- Sammy DeAngelo (Science Teacher SMS)
- Shawn Irwin (Science Teacher SMS)
- Els Ferguson (Principal SMS)
- Tracy Richardson (Assistant Principal SMS)
- Cindy Hoffman (Principal Weiss Elementary)
- Gibraltar School District Maintenance

## School Location



# 2015 – 2016 – Beginning of the Year (Sept – Nov)

- My first year teaching at Shumate!
- 1 rain gauge for measuring precipitation for CoCoRaHS.
- 1 GLOBE site for seventh graders to take SMAP samples and surface and soil temperatures.
- My focus was on **#DataSmashing** precipitation and soil moisture data. “If precipitation increases, will soil moisture?”
- Weather was focused on in seventh grade (Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations).
- I took all of my seventh graders outside at the end of the hour (last 10 minutes of class). All data was put on the data board together.





# 2015 – 2016 – Middle of the Year (Nov – March)

- 3 rain gauges for measuring precipitation for CoCoRaHS. We measured snow too!
- Weather was moved to sixth grade (Michigan Science Standards) - New standards alignment.
- 5 GLOBE sites for sixth and seventh graders (one per hour).
- My focus was on setting up procedures for managing all of the GLOBE sites.
- Train-the-Trainer with a Site Supervisor.
- Students became responsible for data.
- We had a very gentle winter and El Nino was happening. *Thank goodness!*



# 2015 – 2016 – End of the Year (March - June)

- Continued to collect rain data for CoCoRaHS and occasionally GLOBE.
- 9 GLOBE sites for sixth and seventh grade.
- Collected approximately 2,400 samples during the 2015 – 2016 school year.
- My focus was keeping all of the data organized!
- Train-the-Trainer with a Site Supervisor method was working really well.
- Students collected and monitored all of the data. We had a lot of data!
- I found out about the new El Nino campaign and started adjusting the focus.



March 18 · 🌐

Big shout out to my First Hour Seventh Graders for collecting their 100th soil sample of the year for the NASA SMAP project. - Mr. Bouwman  
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324 people reached

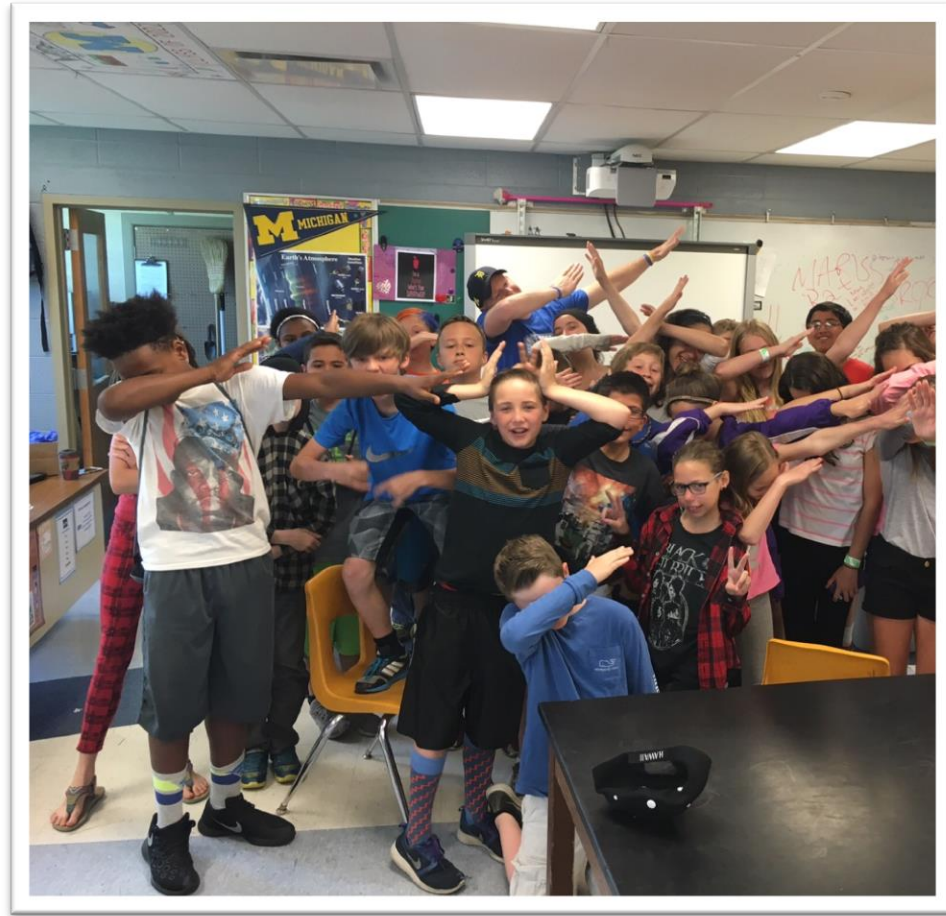
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# So El Nino is.....

I asked a few students about El Nino:

- “A nickname for a student in third hour!”
- “Something funny my dad talks about (references)!” Chris Farley SNL Skit
- “The reason winter wasn’t bad this year in Michigan.”
- “Something to do with the ocean and it being warm.”
- “The what?!?”
- “We haven’t discussed this in Spanish class with Senora Brown yet.”

**Reflection:** I wish I would have put more emphasis on El Nino this year. I’m not sure this phenomenon is a big deal in Michigan.



# Moving Forward at Shumate – Part 1

## Continue to use the Data Board

- Precipitation (Rain and Snow)
- Rain pH
- Soil Moisture
- Soil Temperature
- Surface Temperature
- Clouds
- Add Temperature (including max. & min.)
- Add Biometry – Canopy & Ground Cover

**Reflection: The Data Board worked really well this year! Students need to see the data on a daily basis. The data lead to great conversations about the weather.**

**Clouds**  
Cirrostratus w/ no contrails

**Rain pH**  
6.8

**Precipitation**  
0.17 8:20am  
Friday, May 13, 2016

**CoCoRaHS** **MI-WY-69**

**Soil Moisture**

Site	Soil Moisture
S1	59.2 g 5/12
S2	66.1 g 5/12

**Soil Temperature**

Site	5 cm	10 cm
S1	20°C	10°C
S2	12°C	11°C

**Surface Temperature**

Site	Surface Temperature
S1	11.8°C 8:55 AM
S2	13.3°C 8:55 AM

**Color of the day:**  
Spring Green

**7th Grade Citizen Science 101 @SMS**

**Jeff Bouwman** @jeffbouwman · May 13  
Our data board today (5/13/16) @GLOBEProgram. We rolled out our 9th study site today! @NASASMAP @k12science



# Moving Forward at Shumate – Part 2

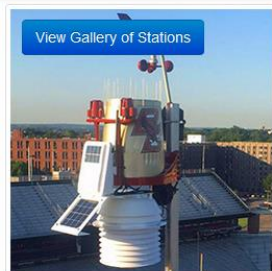
## Incorporate More Technology

- Chromebooks
- Naturebytes Cameras
- WeatherSTEM



 WeatherSTEM

RESOURCES DI



Weather Station



Agricultural Sensors



Environmental Camera



**Jeff Bouwman** @jeffbouwman · May 17

Today is an AWESOME day! Our @naturebytesuk cameras are here! Nature pics coming soon. @Dutchgirl8161 @GSDacademics



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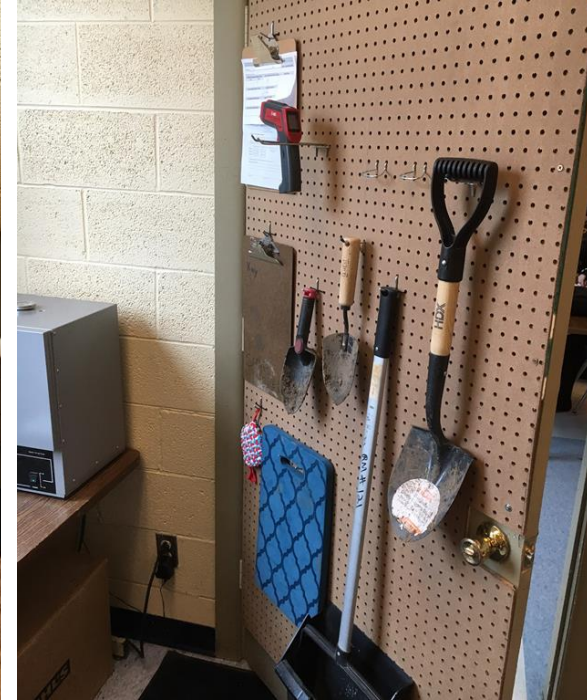
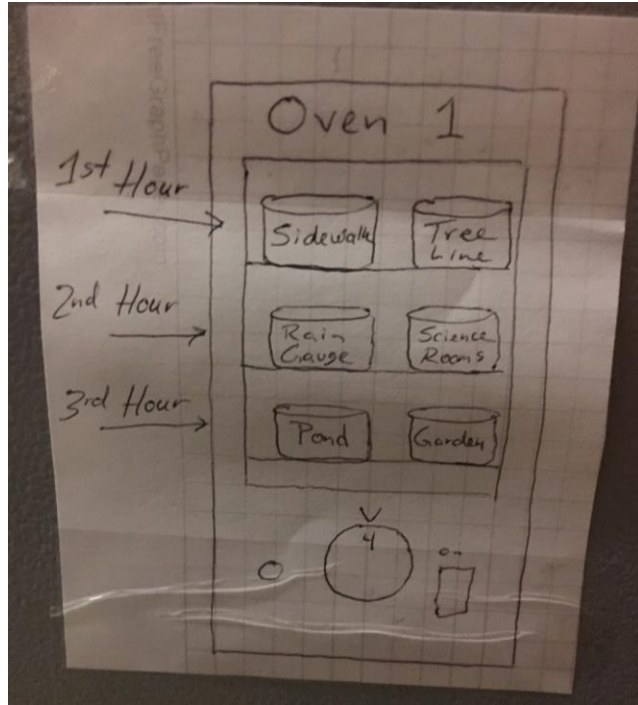


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# Moving Forward at Shumate – Part 3

## Organization is Key!



# Moving Forward at Shumate – Part 4

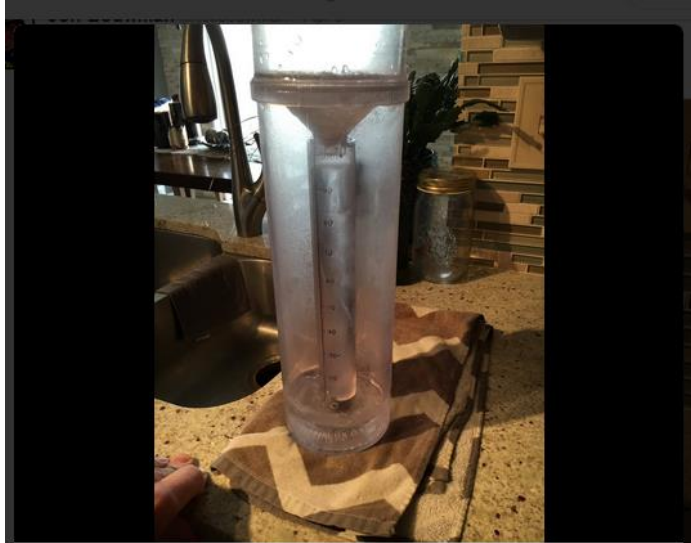
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## GLOBE eTraining is AWESOME

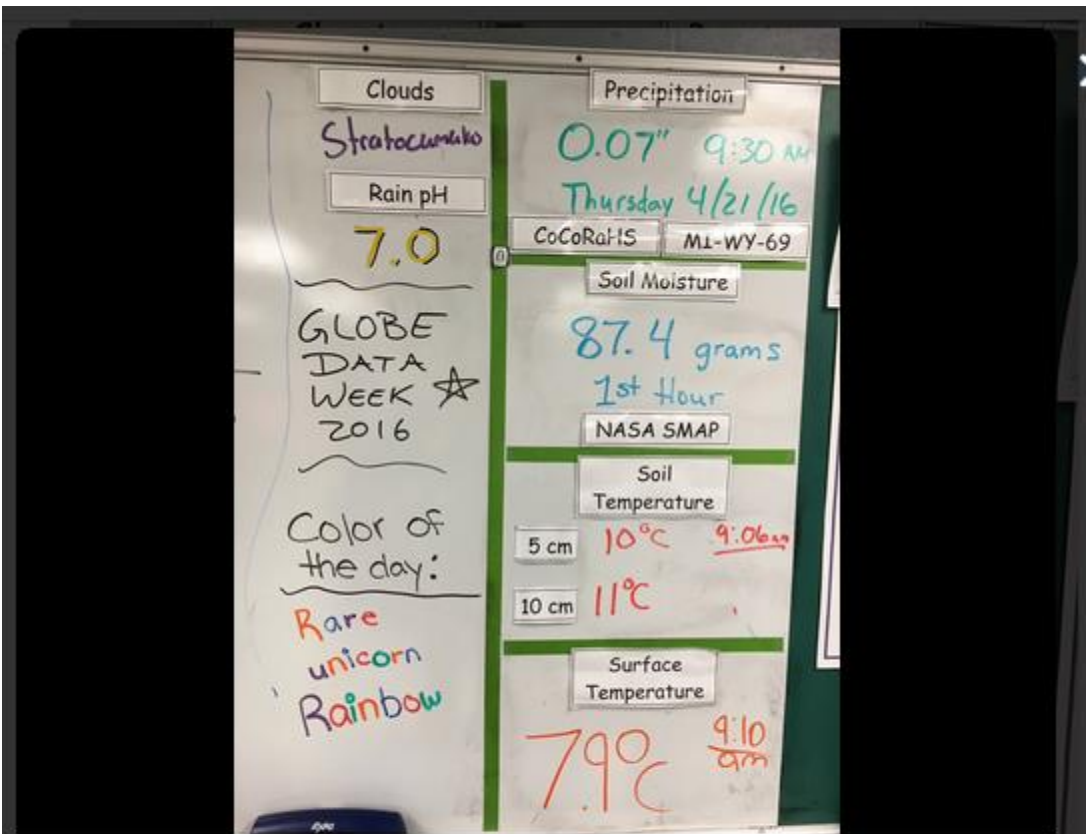
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SMAP Soil Moisture	Pedosphere (Soil)	05/14/2016

## Any Questions?



Jeff Bouwman @jeffbouwman - Apr 3  
@CoCoRaHS @k12science Back from Branson, about to do my  
multi day report, and frozen. Only in #PureMichigan



Jeff Bouwman @jeffbouwman - Apr 21  
Day 4 @GLOBEProgram Data Entry Challenge at SMS! Our 7th  
Graders picked #RareUnicornRainbow today @Dutchgirl8161





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Science Friends - Join me as I talk @NASASMAP! Webinar starts tomorrow at 11:00 a.m. Eastern - [zoom.us/j/7578241037](https://zoom.us/j/7578241037) . #GettingScienceDone



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