

## HMS

## HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

## LOST BOY OF SUDAN SHARES HIS JOURNEY OF HOPE

May 3, 2019 was Bol Aweng's fifth visit to Hastings Middle School to share with the sixth graders his story of escaping the civil war in Sudan in the late 1980s.



Sixth grade teachers Elizabeth Blank and Janice Daubenmier have done a wonderful job in planning for a rich learning experience. They provided books about the Lost Boys and refugees for their students to read and the opportunity to hear Bol share his story with them.

Bol received a warm welcome from one of the sixth-grade students.



The whole sixth-grade student body assembled in the auditorium to hear Bol speak. They listened with keen interest. Students always enjoy hearing Bol share his story about seeing his first movie and shock at hearing a talking donkey in the movie Shrek.



Since these students didn't have to hurry back to class, they got to spend more time with Bol. They even helped us take down the displays and carry them to the office for us. So, we had to snap a photo!





Bol always enjoys the personal time he has with students after his talk. Students have many questions and appreciate getting to understand his adjustments he had to make when he came to America. They always want to know what food he enjoys! "KFC", is his answer!



