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Message From the Principal

Can you believe that we are already approaching our first major holiday season for this school year? It seems as though we just got back in school. As these winter breaks get closer, let us not forget our strong focus on instruction.



I spoke to a parent this morning about global education and how many of our sister countries are approaching education during this pandemic. While numbers are continuing to rise across our world, we still must stay the course. We cannot afford to take too much time off from educating our students. So while we are enjoying peaceful times with our families and all that the holidays have to offer, let's take a little time out to reinforce the skills that your students have worked so hard on so far this year despite the new reality in which we live. Pull out the books, review those math facts, and find learning opportunities all around us. Let your children know that you value their learning experiences all year long!

Please Review the links below and Stay Safe:

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<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/considerations-for-events-gatherings.html>

Dr. Johnson

Upcoming Events

November 19

PTO/SIC Meeting via Zoom

November 25-November 27

Thanksgiving Break

December 4

Early Release Day for
Students

December 21-January 1

Winter Break



- **PRE-KINDERGARTEN**

Our Pre-Kindergarteners have adjusted well into our Hybrid Mode. We are learning about Our Families and how we can be kind to one another.

- **KINDERGARTEN**

Hello parents! We are off to a great start in hybrid learning. We are focusing on sight words and predicting the next part of our read alouds in ELA. In science, we are learning about the different types of weather. In math, we are learning about numbers 1-20 and how to count one-to-one. Please continue to complete all assignments on asynchronous days so that your child is counted in attendance for those days. Thank you!

- **FIRST GRADE**

First graders have been working hard through this virtual experience! We have been learning how to read by building our stamina and fluency using different reading strategies such as: Checking the picture for help, making attempts that make sense, going left to right, and looking at parts of the words we know to figure out unfamiliar words. In math students are mastering how to solve problems by putting together both addends and the unknown with subtraction and addition facts. Also, students are becoming familiar with the math vocabulary to help them have a better understanding of what they need to accomplish. The first-grade teachers are very proud of how hard our boys and girls are working during this challenging time. HATS OFF TO OUR FIRST GRADERS!!!

- **SECOND GRADE**

2nd grade would like to welcome our new cohort A and B students, and our new virtual students to their new classrooms. We're glad to have you! We have a fun and academically rich learning experience planned for the 2nd quarter of the school year. We hope you're ready. Student and parents bring your "A" game! Parents, please don't forget to join our school's PTO. The dues are just \$5.00 per year. Oh, and one perk of being a part of the PTO is: getting insider information about some of the activities that are going on at school (LOL, because you're helping to plan some of them).

- **THIRD GRADE**

The third grade students will be participating in a Ramen Noodle Challenge! The students are tasked with the challenge of who can bring in the most ramen noodles, which will then be donated to charities such as Harvest Hope Food Bank.

- **FOURTH GRADE**

As the 4th grade continues to study about the Water Cycle and Weather, WACH Fox Meteorologist Josh Knight will be Live Streaming with all of the 4th grade classes on Friday, November 13th. The students have worked hard to prepare thought provoking questions for our guest and we look forward to having a first-hand experience learning about weather. We are continuing to master our multiplication facts and multiplying multi-digit numbers. Quality Teaching and Learning is strong in 4th grade.

- **FIFTH GRADE**

5th Grade is heading West in Social Studies, learning about the Transcontinental Railroad. Students are diving deeper into place value concepts they have learned in previous grades. Parent/Teacher conferences are being scheduled, parents please let your child's teacher know what time works best for you!

- **RELATED ARTS**

Related Arts, Ready to Roll! One of the safety precautions that we are taking is to keep children in their classroom community. This means that the Related Arts team is on the move, conducting classes in the homerooms.

- **ESOL**

¡Un saludo para todos! Agradecemos a los padres por ayudarnos tanto ayudando a los niños a conectarse a TEAMS para continuar con la instrucción. Ha sido un proceso de aprendizaje para todos nosotros. ¡Gracias padres! ~Dr. Losada y Ms. Wilson

Greetings! We appreciate the parents being so diligent helping the students connect to TEAMS and continue to receive the instruction. It has been a learning process for all of us. Thank you parents! ~Dr. Losada and Ms. Wilson

