

Weekly wrap up



October 30, 2020

A Message From Kathy:

The Academy is committed to community service because children benefit greatly -both academically and emotionally from volunteering their time to make their communities and the world a better place. When children get involved in community service, they not only help others -they expand their world view, develop empathy and leadership skills and realize that their actions can have a positive impact. Community Service is most impactful for children when they can make connections and feel that they see their service in action. Therefore the Academy's Service Learning Program is purposefully designed to link curriculum and action orientated in an effort to move community service from something that you "do" ideally to an extension of who we are as individuals and a community.

Veterans Day at the Academy will kick off our first campus-wide community service project. To that end, each family is asked to make a "Blessing Bag" that we will give to our Veterans of America local chapter for distribution to local homeless veterans.

Blessing Bag Suggested Contents: Warm socks, chapstick, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, granola bars, trail mix, bottled waters.

Please put your "Blessing Bag" contents into a gallon size bag zip lock bag and send them to school with your scholar on or before Monday, November 9th.

Veterans Day at the Academy, Tuesday November 10th

Red, White & Blue Day: Show your patriotism and wear our country colors! During ELA classes scholars will be writing letters to insert into the Blessing Bags.

4th Grade scholars will be participating in a "Living History" project as they host veterans on our campus during their Enrichment period. In preparation, they will be learning about the 5 branches of service and preparing questions for our special visitors in their Social Studies class. Grades 1-3 will be reading and discussing Veterans Day and why we celebrate it during lunch time literary circles. If you have a friend or family member that is a veteran and would like to participate in our "Living History" project, please contact Kathy.



Mark Your Calendars:

- Wednesday, Nov 11th is a holiday.
- Thanksgiving Break: Nov 25 - 27
- Winter Break: Dec 21 - Jan 1

Academy Wish List:

- Kleenex, Hand Sanitizer
- Water Colors, Art Supplies
- Construction Paper



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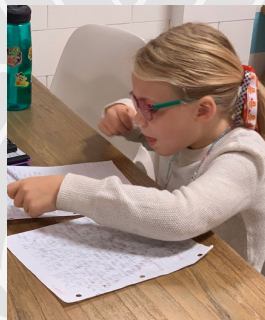


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Our Spooktacular Halloween Spirit Week was a Success!



3rd Grade friends Andrew, Joshua, Josh, Jacob and Hugo looking great in their Spirit Week colors!



2nd Grade scholar Maddie working on her spooky story... "The Haunted House"



Wear your favorite Hat day was enjoyed by all in Miss Meekhof's 4th grade class

Everyone Can Learn!

Suggested at home talk...to take a Fixed-Mindset and turn it into a Growth-Mindset

Fixed-Mindset Statement

- Math is not my thing
- I'm not good at this
- She's the smart kid in the class
- Scores mean more than growth
- It's better to look smart than take risks
- I will never be that smart
- I feel dumb if I'm corrected

Growth-Mindset Statement

- I can grow my brain
- I need to change my strategy
- My hard work and effort has paid off
- I'm not there yet
- People can change
- A good attitude is important to learning
- I'm a problem solver

Stay Tuned....

We will soon be partnering with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for children. The project will put a stuffed bear into the hands and hearts of local foster children during the month of December. Local foster parents and buddies will be on campus to share the impact these bears have on children. Fun Fact: Did you know that CASA for Kids was founded by two local CDM High School students in 2016? It now has expanded to 3 area high schools and hosts over 130 independent students committed to serving children in our local foster care system.