

NOVEMBER 2017

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Dual Language Magnet School



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Mr. Beeh: Science

Welcome to science 8th graders! We will be a unit about the chemistry of materials. In this unit, we will be studying what materials are made of, how materials are made, and what will happen to them when we no longer need them. We will also analyze the environmental impact of a product and decide which products to purchase. If you have any questions about the 8th grade trip to Washington DC, please contact me. Please come and visit me or email me if you have any other questions. I can be reached at bdbeeh@cps.edu.

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November Birthdays

7th Graders

8th Graders

6th - Trustin Watson
12th - Jason Lopez
21st - Kevin Rivera
22nd - Luis Osornio
23rd - Jomar Fonseca
28th - Laura Montes

Mrs. Taylor: 7th ELA

November is a very busy month. Please check your calendars for all of the important dates. The 7th grade will be starting Book Clubs in November, with the focus theme being Empathy. In writing we will reflect on what we have read by writing Literary Essays. Literacy Night was a great success. Thank you to everyone who came out and attended!

Mr. Thorpe: 8th ELA

Happy Thanksgiving Sabin Families! It is the time of giving thanks and I wish to start the season off by saying thank you to all my 8th grade parents and guardians for your constant support of your child's education. This month in Reading and Writing class, the 8th grade scholars will continue their Dystopian Literature Book Clubs. The students are revealing the common traits found in all novels and the short stories of this genre and starting to make connections between the different novels, including how we can learn some truth from the fiction that we read. We will also start our literary essays in Writing class. These essays will address the strong characters in the book club novels and analyze the dystopian theme as a whole. Lastly, please be sure your child is reading each night and completing their Reading Log. He or she should be showing you the reading log and requesting your signature every two weeks. I routinely enter grades into Gradebook every weekend.

Ms. Sartin: 7th Math

Greetings,

We have made it through the first quarter. The 7th graders first project was due prior to its end and they were simply amazing! I am so proud of their hard work in creating an original board or card game that incorporated operations with integers. We will begin the Ratios and Proportional Reasoning Unit and as always Front Row is expected to be completed on a daily basis.

Mrs. Sherrick: Diverse Learning Specialist

In reading we have been working on developing fluency, understanding literary components of fiction, analyzing character traits, and increasing vocabulary. Over the next five weeks, we will be digging deeper into what drives our characters and the plot as we begin our book club groups with books based on overcoming personal obstacles (i.e. ADHD, Learning Disabilities, Social Issues, Physical Disabilities, etc.) In addition, I will be reading with two students daily to give them specific reading strategies to enhance their decoding and comprehension skills. Every student should be reading a minimum of forty minutes a day, writing a dialing summary, and recording their reading time on their reading log. In writing, the students have been learning spelling rules, developing an understanding of grammar, and writing memoirs. The students need to complete the entire spelling lesson—the students have neglected completing the writing portion of the lesson, resulting in scores that are unsatisfactory on their homework. Spelling tests are usually taken on Fridays, unless the schedule does not permit. If a student does not pass the Spelling test, they are expected to write each incorrect word 15 times, and will be retested on the incorrect words, during the following week. Grammar lessons have, and will continue, to take place during class time in school, but the grammar rules covered are expected to be mastered and incorporated into the students' writing. Lastly, the students have begun writing their memoirs. We have complete our rough drafts will perfect them through our upcoming mini-lessons regarding grabbing the readers' attention, using sensory language, using dialogue, peer revising, and editing to create a stellar final draft.

Important Dates

Friday November 3rd – No school (School Improvement Day)

Wednesday November 15th – Report Card Pickup (11:45 AM – 6:00 PM)

Wednesday November 22nd – Friday November 24th – No school (Thanksgiving Break)



Mr. Crain-Davis: 8th Math

We just recently wrapped up our unit on rational & irrational numbers, scientific notation, and exponents. The students reviewed these skills by taking their turn as the teacher. They planned a lesson, made a slideshow, created anchor charts, and even made assignments. You can see some of these exciting student-made materials at report card pick-up.

We are now moving towards learning about proportional relationships and how to demonstrate them through tables, equations, and graphs.

Please keep your students working on Front Row at home each week. Below are the class codes for the students to log in:

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Thank you!
Mr. Crain-Davis

Important News

*The state of Illinois is among the first in the country to allow school districts to award a State **Seal of Biliteracy** for students who demonstrate a high level of proficiency in one or more languages, in addition to English. The seal would be placed on a student's academic transcript and diploma. Sabin is proud to support students on their journey towards this incredible achievement.*

*El estado de Illinois está entre los primeros en el país para permitir que los distritos escolares concedan un **Sello de Alfabetización** para los estudiantes que demuestran un nivel alto de competencia en uno o más idiomas, además del inglés. El sello se colocará en la transcripción académica y diploma. Sabin está orgulloso de apoyar a los estudiantes en su viaje hacia este increíble logro.*

Mrs. Lamar: Diverse Learning Specialist

Just a reminder: there are no classes for students on November 15th due to report card pick up (11:45-6pm). If you would like to schedule a time to meet please email me at lmhernandez16@cps.edu