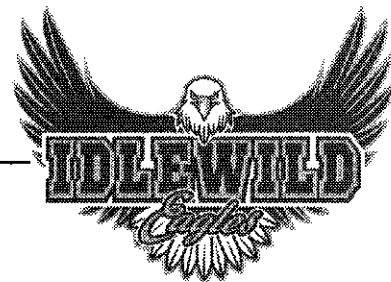


School Leadership Team December Agenda



Thursday December 15, 2016

- **Welcome**

Mrs. Helms.

Staffing/Enrollment

- **New TA's hired and jumping right into working with children.**
- **Retirement announced Dolores Romas**

Current Reality

- **Reading 3-D / TRC assessments window opens January 6th and closes January 27th.**
- **MAP's winter assessment window opens mid January**
- **Mid year data will be assessed to for instructional planning and flexible grouping for the remainder of the year.**

School Area Updates

- **Pre-Kindergarten-** Working on Holidays around the world, phonemic awareness and counting before holiday break.
- **Kindergarten-** We have been studying Holidays Around The world. Students have had a great time traveling with suitcases and plane tickets. They have done projects in every country and discussed the special holidays they celebrate. They have looked at how these holidays compare to ours as well.
- **1st Grade-**
- **2nd Grade -**
- **3rd Grade-** Nonfiction text using context clues to decode unknown vocabulary, multiplication and division continued in math, and integrated into literacy instruction is states of matter and elements of the community.
- **4th Grade-** Fourth grade is preparing for our Raleigh trip in May and MAPS testing will be in January.
- **5th Grade-** Starbase classes and a field trip to the base. Excellent program and the students love launching rockets. DC field trip planning and fundraising options being explored. Genius hour research and project presentations have been great!
- **EC -** We are learning about Holidays around the World, and the students visited Santa Claus on Friday the 16th as part of learning about how Christmas is celebrated, and Mrs. Sussman will be doing a lesson on Hanukkah this week. We also have been doing Daily Acts of Kindness, which have included passing out candy canes, leaving change on the vending machine, and collecting canned food items.
- **ESL-** groups are rolling and ESL teachers attending planning and data meetings when possible to support classroom instruction.

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- **TD/Magnet-** LittleJim banquet for 4th grade students was a success at the end of November. Lottery opens January 6th – February 14th. Informational sessions will be held across district for parents, staff and community members to discuss new magnet lottery process and allocations. 2nd grade portfolio assessments are in full swing and presentations are the first full week of January.
- **Special Area-** Music: Enjoyed a fantastic concert with the 2nd graders, 3rd graders, and Soaring Singers.
Art: We are exploring winter themes through 3D art, painting, collage, and drawing.
PE: We are learning about body concepts, spatial awareness, safety, and movement fundamentals through dance.
Media: We are finishing our digital citizenship lessons and will be applying for school digital citizenship certification. Our first Makerspace is coming soon!

- **Support**

- **ILT- K-2:** Students have been making great progress increasing their reading levels, our next formal Reading 3D assessment will begin on January 6, 2017. Our K-3 teachers will be completing those individual reading tests. On December 12, 2016 we had visitor teams from Dilworth, Oakhurst and Cotswold to observe in our classrooms for evidence of our new Instructional Leadership Team professional development. Evidence included Academic Conversations, Close Reading, and Anchor Charts for students to use for reading strategies.

3-5

- Accelerated Reader Celebration for Second Quarter will be January 25th - Movie and Popcorn
- Learning Walks - Thank you to everyone for allowing others into your classrooms. Teachers have enjoyed learning from one another.
- Literacy Support Structure - Dr. Slota and Mrs. Michaw are pushing in with Ms. Hulker to assist in Ms. Clark's absence.
- Tumblebooks are back up and running. Username: Idlewild Password: reads
- Storyworks from scholastic has been ordered for grades 3 and 5 for the remainder of the year.

- **PTA**

Next Meeting- January 21st