

EAGLE NEWS | Parent's Newsletter | February '21

Dear Parents,

Wade Park is striving to provide meaningful academic experiences to meet the needs of every child in our care. Continue to ensure that your child logs in by 8:30am on zoom; completes activities posted in Schoology/Seesaw; and spends at least 20 minutes per day on iReady.

This year's theme for literacy emphasis month is **The Harlem Renaissance**. This was one of the most influential movements in African American history where African Americans made a huge impact in the arts and music movement. It is imperative that we continue to expose our children to positive depictions of African Americans. During this month, scholars will be exposed to a variety of text from local authors where black children are shown in a positive light. We are committed to providing our scholars with positive experiences and opportunities to develop, equip, and empower our future leaders. We see our scholars as the next president, congressman, teacher, mayor, doctor, principal, lawyer or movie producer. To kick off our Literacy month, we will have a virtual "**Paint and Punch**" on **February 1**st at **6:00pm**. Our families and scholars will come together and learn about the foundation of The Harlem Renaissance, listen to music derived from the Harlem Renaissance, all while painting an exquisite piece of art led by our team of artists.

Continue to stay in contact with your child's teacher and check your child's homework every day. Thank you for your continued support. Thank you for entrusting your child to our care!

Warm regards,

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Kindergarten - Third Grade Scholars

Your scholars' teacher(s) may be reaching out to you this month to schedule AIMSWEB Progress monitoring. Teachers may need a separate time outside of their normal ZOOM schedule so please ensure that they can get in touch with you by updating any email and/or phone number changes that may have taken place.

What is AIMSWEB?

Aimsweb®Plus screens and monitors the reading skills of K–3 students. With its robust set of standards-aligned measures, aimswebPlus is proven to uncover learning gaps quickly, identify at-risk students, and assess individual and classroom growth.

In other words...our teachers use AIMSWEB Progress Monitoring to <u>identify</u> and <u>respond</u> to gaps in learning so that your scholar(s) are able to academically SOAR!!

First graders are continuing to write across the curriculum. Talk to your children about each subject so they will feel comfortable writing about it. Don't forget to go over the sight words every day! Our kids are making great progress, but we need your help. **Practice! Practice!**

As you can see, we are busy! Please make sure your scholar attends school virtually every day and on time. When scholars log in late, they miss out on vital review. Also, please make sure your child is getting adequate sleep which is 9-10 hours every day and a good breakfast to get them going. Thank you for all you do!

Reading Tip

Talk with your child every day about school and things going on around the house and world. Sprinkle some interesting words into the conversation and build on words you've talked about in the past. The more conversations you have with your child will build on their vocabulary and impact their knowledge of the words they read.



The Wade Park Jacket

Congratulations! Over 16 scholars earned their jacket. We will post the entire list in the near future!

Congratulations! Penny Blake is an amazing & talented Kindergartner. She is a teachers dream to have in class. Penny completes all of her homework and classwork. She's helpful and kind to all of her classmates and teachers. She definitely demonstrates the Wade Park Way. Way to go!



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Hello 4th Grade Parents! We hope you are doing well and staying safe during these challenging times! The 4th grade team wanted to reach out to you to remind you of the importance of your child completing all assignments in ELA, Social Studies, Math, and Science. During Independent Work Wednesday's, students should be completing work and making up any missed assignments. Students are expected to complete a journal and Seesaw activity for ELA on a daily basis. Please have them show you their completed journal and Seesaw activity to ensure completion!

Students also have assignments daily in Math, Science and Social Studies that need to be completed accordingly. Lastly, please make certain that your scholar is completing at least 40 iReady minutes daily! This could be 20 minutes for Reading and 20 minutes for Math. Additionally, each student will be completing a Science Fair project. This project will be graded and will be a large portion of their grade for third quarter. Please take a moment to read the article below about raising healthy 4th graders!

https://www.today.com/parenting-guides/how-raise-healthy-active-4th-graders-t176952

Take care and reach out to Ms. Jones or Mrs. Smith with any questions. Thank you!

The 4th Grade Team-Mrs. Smith and Ms. Jones





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Congratulations Alfred Jones on earning your Wade Park jacket! You continue to go above and beyond to complete assignments and help other classmates. Way to go!



Middle School Team

Schoolwide, we are looking forward to celebrating both Black History Month and Literacy Month in February and have many exciting activities planned. 8th graders have started the Tru2U program and have attended the high school choice fair. They now must complete their high school choice in the portal. Please work with your 8th grader to choose the best high school for their academic and extracurricular needs.

Fifth Grade

In 5th grade Math, scholars continue learning about fractions and a variety of methods to solve them in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. In Social Studies, we are finishing our unit on the Mesoamericans which includes the Aztecs, Mayans, Incas, and Mississippians. Additionally, each student will be completing a Science Fair project. This project will be graded and will be a large portion of their third quarter grade. Scholars are reminded to complete their assignments and turn them in. Encourage your child to check Schoology each day for new materials that are added to their folders.

Mr. Lockard 6-8th grade Science

Mr. Lockard's 6th Graders are working on the Energy and Motion Unit in their Science textbooks. Scholars will be assigned projects based on this topic. 7th grade is working on Conservation of Energy in their texts, and 8th grade is focused on Earth Science. Stay tuned for a unit on Mars! Additionally, each student will be completing a Science Fair project. This project will be graded and will be a large portion of their third quarter grade.

Ms. Kaulins 6-8th grade Social Studies

In Social Studies class, we're looking forward to Black History Month. During the month of February, we will be celebrating and reflecting on the rich history of Black Americans in the areas of culture, innovation, and revolution. Scholars in grades 6-8 will engage in a research project and give presentations on a black individual who has impacted the world.

Mr. Parks Middle School English Language Arts

We will continue reading stories in the Into Literature textbook and answering questions using Ed HMH (online textbook). Newsela articles will continue to be assigned and must be completed with at least a 75% accuracy rate. Each scholar will have February 1st through February 19th to work on and complete a project for Black History month. In class presentations will take place during the week of February 22nd. Into Literature textbooks, Ed HMH (online textbooks), ELA Journals, paper and pencil/ink pen are daily requirements.

Ms. Ivory Middle School Math

It is the expectation that all scholars complete their work online in their math book (Ed app in Clever). The assignments that scholars must complete are online and graded immediately so that the scholar may receive immediate feedback. Students are also given quizzes and once a quarter they receive an opportunity for bonus points. All classes are expected to have their math book, notebook and pencil. 7th & 8th grade students can use calculators during class.



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Ms. Powell 5-8 class

Ms. Powell's class is looking forward to participating in various Black History activities. We will study and recite poems written by famous African American writers. We will also dive into poetry, writing and presenting our writing to an audience. Our class will make a southern banana pudding in honor of our heritage.

Parents, please make sure our scholars are reading daily at home and completing homework assignments. We are looking forward to participating in our school's annual Science Fair and attending a virtual field trip, sponsored by Playhouse Square. Homework tips:

- Set up homework time and area
- Keep distractions to a minimum
- Make sure they are doing their own homework

In 7th and 8th grade GT, please continue to check in with your child to ensure they are completing assignments, IReady minutes and reading daily. Students are given weekly NewsELA assignments that are required to be completed. You can check your child's current grades and missing and completed assignments right in Schoology.

For more tips and information on helping your child at home with homework be sure to check out https://www2.ed.gov/parents/academic/involve/homework/homeworktips.pdf

Encore News

Even though we are remote, Encore classes are still happening. Please check the schedule to see when your child should report to their encore classes. Grades are being given in these classes. As we transition into the 3rd quarter. Parent teacher conferences will be on February 3 and the encore team will provide links to sign up to meet with us. We hope to get in touch with all parents of scholars who are struggling. If at any time you have any questions about your child's coursework or grades please email us. Our contact information is located on our individual Schoology pages.

As a reminder all fourth and fifth graders may join Ms. Hutchinson for art club, during lunch on Tuesdays and Fridays. Zoom information is the same as logging into art class. We also have extracurricular music activities from 3-4 pm on Mr. G's zoom. The following sessions are being offered:

Monday - Music Technology Club (5-8)

Tuesday - Choir and Drums (2-8)

Thursday - Choir and Drums (2-8)

Friday - Band (5-8)

*Follow @WadeParkMusic on IG for daily schedule reminders!