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| General RA News | To find the weekly agenda for your student's Related Arts classes: |
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| | Click <u>HERE</u> . |
| | Click the "Related Arts" button from the home page and then find the links under the Student |
| | Resources column. |

Students of the Month

Congratulations to our Related Arts Students of the Month!

These students demonstrated excellence in the subject area, worked hard, behaved appropriately for the setting, and displayed leadership skills.

Students of the Month- 5th Grade December

Art- Charlotte Kennedy, Vanna VanCampenhout,

Isaiah Smith

Band- Charlotte Kennedy, Stella Godres

Choir- Brody VanDenelzen **Guidance-** Braelyn Turriff

Physical Education - Demerious Smith, Hailey Novotny

STEM- Cayden Williams

Students of the Month- 6th Grade December

Band- Ava Winters, Quinn Wilson

Choir- Aliza Jensky

French- Tyler Rauch

Physical Education- Olivia Wery, Vedant Sontakke

Spanish- Sophia Heike

STEM- Izzy Hernandez, Wilson Hogan

| RA Class & Teacher | <u>Class News</u> |
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| <u>Art</u> | Students will switch from Art to STEM the week of January 22, 2024. |
| Mrs. Lowe | Artsonia! If you haven't activated your student's account yet then click this link https://www.artsonia.com/connect/K6TYR78Y and enter their name to request access. You will get email updates whenever a new project has been uploaded, and you can buy high quality keepsakes with your child's artwork on it while supporting the IS Art program! Yarn Donations: Looking to declutter your yarn collection? The art room is always accepting donations of yarn to use for our weaving projects. Feel free to drop off any donations in the office. Thank You! Art Club: Art club permission slips are available in the art room. There will be two 8-week sessions starting 1/22-3/11 and 3/18-5/20. Meetings will happen in the art room on Mondays from 2:50-3:40. There is a \$5 fee and only 30 spots available in each session. Art Room Instagram: Keep up with what's happening in the art room by following our Instagram page https://www.instagram.com/ms.corsten_artclass/ |
| <u>Band</u> Ms. Czachor | New year means new practice habits! Encourage your band kiddo to play their instrument 5 days a week for at least 15 minutes each time! |
| <u>Choir</u> Mrs. Lisowe | With our first successful concert complete, we are already looking ahead to the spring concert! Your children have shown awesome growth with reading music and I can't wait to see their skills continue to develop. |

Physical Education

Mrs. Lozar

Mr. Zornow

We are reviewing and implementing IHT heart rate monitors and Spirit System software. This technology will engage your child in the latest heart rate monitor and assessment technology available today. The Spirit System is a web-based assessment system that uses heart rate monitors that your child will wear in PE class. The heart rate monitors are designed specifically for physical education to help students gain instant feedback on their effort. The monitors will also engage and educate students on a variety of fitness activities that optimize cardiovascular endurance, stamina, flexibility, speed, core strength, power, coordination and self-confidence. We will be using the heart rate monitors over the course of the next 6 lessons.

STEM

General STEM:

Mrs. Kohl

- -Thank you to everyone who donated to the holiday gift! Your thoughtfulness is appreciated! Also, thank you to everyone for the treats before break!
- -Students will switch from STEM to Art the week of January 22, 2024.
- -We are still collecting cereal boxes, paper towel cardboard inserts and a new thing- the caps to detergent bottles. Feel free to send them with your child to STEM or drop them off in the office labeled "STEM." Thank you!

5th Grade STEM: Students will end their STEM semester with a coding unit using a variety of sites. The <u>piano coding site</u> is a favorite of mine; it has annoying features but is fun to see students succeed. At the end of the semester the composition notebooks will be stored in the STEM room so they can be used in 6th grade.

6th Grade STEM: Students will end their time with a dedicated STEM class doing EV3 Robots and then drones. The EV3 robots are a culmination of the past year and a half of STEM: problem solving, coding, engineering, mathematical thinking, working together, handling frustration, and sticking with something that is difficult. Students will be taking their STEM notebooks home.

<u>Class</u> (5th Grade)

Mr. Johnson

For the month of January we will be focusing on cooperation. We will do various activities where students will have to cooperate and work together to complete tasks. Also, our January Phantom Phundamental this month is Unity and we will have some lessons on this character trait.

World

Language-

<u>French</u>

(6th Grade)

Madame VDB- <u>French Class:</u> Mark your calendars to attend your child's *Les Trois Ours* performances! If you haven't already done so, please fill out the Google form for your child's homeroom teacher to RSVP.

Pingel

Performance date and time: Friday, January 12 from 12:32-1:07

RSVP google form

Schinken

Performance date and time: Friday, January 12 from 11:57-12:32

RSVP google form

Mulloy

Performance date and time: Wednesday, January 17 from 1:38-2:13

RSVP google form

Janquart

Performance date and time: Thursday, January 18 from 11:57-12:32

RSVP google form

<u>Semenak</u>

Performance date and time: Thursday, January 18 from 1:38-2:13

RSVP google form

MERCI to everyone who has already turned in the \$1 that was listed on the school supply list for French class! If you have not yet sent your \$1 to school, please do so at your earliest convenience. This can be turned in to me or to your child's homeroom teacher. The \$1 is contributing to the cost of the treats that will be provided when family members join us for French class.

<u>French Club:</u> Students are invited to join the French Club this year. French Club is open to all students in 6th grade. Whether students have French during 1st semester or 2nd semester, all are welcome to join!

Students who would like to join the French Club are asked to make a one time per year contribution of \$5 to help offset the costs of the French Club activities and events. Our January event will be a French movie event on January 18 after school until 4:30 p.m. We will be watching the French movie A Monster in Paris. Students should meet in the Intermediate School French classroom, and we will then walk together to the Middle School for the movie. Please plan to pick up your child at 4:30 p.m. from the Circle Drive in front of the Middle School. Spanish Class: Students and Families: I have sent all of you an email about our end of the World semester conversations. The material can be found in the students google classroom. I have the <u>Language-</u> sheets with the dialogue and the meanings. I also have a video of how the conversation should be done. If you are in Abaray's Homeroom you will have your test on January 4th. If you are in **Spanish** Weller and Lewis homerooms it will be on January 8th. If you are in Dernbach and Metzler (6th Grade) homerooms you will be taking the test on January 10th. Please email me with any questions or concerns. These homerooms will also be changing to French for the second semester on <u>Señora</u> January 22. <u>Steingraber</u> Spanish club: Our January Spanish Club will be on Tuesday January 16th right after school until 3:30. Please pick your child up in front of the middle school. And, if you made it all the way through this, we'd like to offer trivia questions; a random student **Trivia** from each grade will be awarded a prize for having the questions answered correctly. Access the questions here: LINK. The form closes soon.