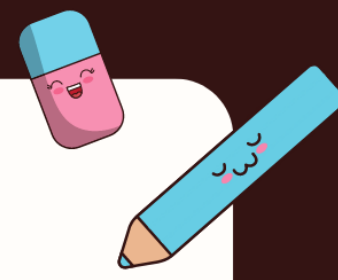


Grades 3-6 IA Newsletter



All students are graded on participation, cooperation within groups, and effort to improve.



Health



The 3rd and 4th graders have begun to learn about the human body. The classes have learned about the bones in the hands and created an "x-ray" of their hand. The remainder of the quarter will be focusing on the body systems and their functions. The 5th and 6th graders are learning more in-depth and have been tasked with labeling the bones within the skeleton.



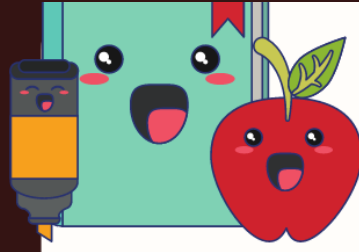
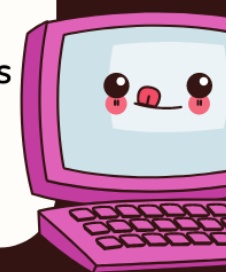
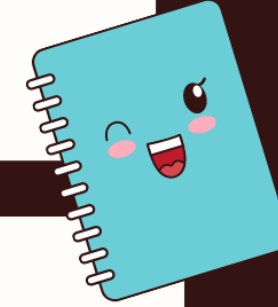
Hello Families and Guardians, The IA Team will be sending out quarterly newsletters about topics going on in our classes. Please reach out anytime
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Music

Music students in grades 3 & 4 are working on how to read basic notes and rhythms. Students in grade 3 will be playing rhythms and beats on small percussion instruments while the 4th graders will begin to use the Boomwhackers to play simple musical rhythms and melodies.

Students in grade 5 are learning to read the notes on the lines and spaces and will begin how to play the Ukulele, a small 4-string instrument.

Students in grade 6 have been reviewing the instruments of the orchestra; strings, brass, woodwinds, and percussion. They have just begun a unit on bucket drumming.



Art

We are continuing to work on balance, repetition, and symmetry in our artwork while using a variety of different materials and techniques. We will begin a few festive projects in December using blending techniques with oil pastels. 4th grade will continue to study the art history timeline touching upon Greek vases, Aztec masks, and medieval castles.



PE

During the 2nd quarter, students will work to gain knowledge and skills to achieve and maintain a health-enhancing level of physical activity and fitness. Physical fitness will be the primary focus in class, including both health-related fitness and skill-related fitness.

Guiding Question: What skills and concepts do I need to know in order to take charge of my personal fitness?

If you are interested in further learning about the skills. Please reach out via email.



PAUL SCHOOL BAND

The band program is in full swing with 30 students in grades 4-8, who have signed up for band. The instruments in the band are flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, trombone, and percussion. It has been really fun and exciting to hear the students learn to play. Students attend a weekly lesson with Mrs. Sullivan the students are expected to practice at home about 4-5 days a week.

We are hoping to share our musical experience in a short full-band performance in the Spring.

Stay tuned for more! If your child wishes to join the band next fall, please email her and she can give you all the information on how to join.

Library Media

In Library Media, students will continue practicing their typing skills and learning more about what it means to be a good digital citizen. Students will also continue to learn about STEM, (science, technology, engineering, and math) with project creation.

Grades 3-4 Students will work on fiction and nonfiction texts in the library with holidays around the world using read-aloud stories.

Grades 5-6 This quarter students will be working on Google apps and how to cite their sources.

