



Principals Weekly Update

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Greetings Blazer Families,

Happy New Year and Welcome Back! I hope your winter break allowed for some rest and fun family activities. I have missed you and cannot wait to see everyone tomorrow.

As you know, students and staff's first day back is tomorrow, January 8th. As a reminder, our car loop will be available for drop off from 8:15 AM - 8:40 AM and classroom instruction begins promptly at 8:45 AM each day. In the interest of student safety, parents/guardians must personally walk students into the main office and sign in.

Tomorrow marks the beginning of the 3rd academic quarter. Teachers have planned hands on learning experiences and look forward to engaging students in higher order thinking and problem-solving. We are utilizing important information provided by progress monitoring (PM2) assessment data to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of each individual student.

January's Blazer Trait of the Month is **Resolute**. Here is how we describe it.

RESOLUTE: We are driven! Our passion and perseverance drive our pursuit of ambitious long-term goals. We exhibit grit and change and grow in response to challenges.

Students and teachers will be exploring the Blazer Trait of the month during various learning experiences in all content areas. Do ask your child how they are learning about being resolute and what it means to them.

Parents and care givers can support students in working towards being resolute by encouraging students to welcome challenging new content at school. Students will build perseverance when we encourage them to stay the struggle to achieve their goals with greater independence. This will ultimately strengthen their belief that hard work yields success.

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events/important dates.

- January 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day – No school for students
- January 18 2nd quarter report cards distributed.
- January 26 1st Semester Awards (More Information in Take Home Tuesday folders)
- February 16 & 19 No school for students
- March 5 Spring Individual Portrait Pictures (Dress-up for pictures)

Wishing all Blazers, a Wonderful Year of Learning and Exploration! Happy 2024!

Sincerely,

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