

January 28, 2015

THE "MIDDLE" MEMO

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL / TUESDAY LETTER

Dear Community Partnership Middle School Families:

Now that the storm has passed, we welcome a new academic quarter. Quarter 2 report cards will be mailed by Tuesday, February 3rd. If your address changed recently, please be in contact with the main office to inform them, (718) 636-3904 or via email, msoffice@cpcsschool.org.

For quarter 3, January 27th- April 2nd, it is extremely important that families continue to partner with CPCMS' staff to ensure that every scholar is successful academically. We look forward to our continued partnership.

For Our Kids,

Keisha Rattray
Middle School Director



Baller of the week - Cyrus Blake
Mandela Award - Kevin Blevins

Upcoming Events

Open House for New Families - January 31st, 10:00am

PD Day For Teachers - School closed for students February 2nd

Report Cards Mailed Home - February 3rd

Open House for New Families - February 10th, 8:30am

Open House for New Families - February 11th, 5:45pm

CPEC Board Meeting @ 215 Heyward Street February 11th, 6pm

Midwinter Recess - February 16th - 20th

Open House for New Families - February 26th, 8:30am

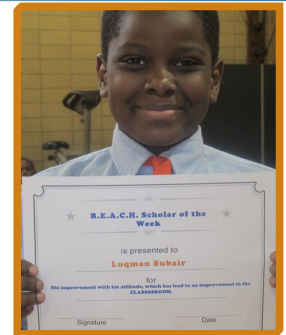
SCHOLARS OF THE WEEK

5th Grade - Kayla Blanco

6th Grade - Luqman Subair

7th Grade - Laelah Subair

8th Grade - Jaydin Harding



5th Grade

MATH:

Last week, the fifth graders worked very hard on their Rally Mock Math Assessments. Not only were we celebrating the end of three days of testing, but we finally completed Workbook A. A huge accomplishment! Our scholars have moved on to Textbook B.

This week we will be learning decimals. We're excited to start the new quarter strong with the first Chapter 8 grades. A Chapter 8 exam on decimals will be given this Friday, January 30th.

ELA:

In past weeks, we have been studying the life and experiences of Langston Hughes. This week, as we read several of his short stories, we will analyze and discuss how his experiences and environment affected him as a writer.

In writing, we will continue to use mentor texts and authors, to learn more craft techniques that will help us as we write our realistic fiction stories.

Please remember that our scholars will receive a reading assessment every Friday. The graded assessments will be sent home the following Friday, with a request for a parent signature. Please keep an eye out for it every week.

SCIENCE:

In Science, the fifth graders have been gathering research on particular wetlands in New York State. This week, the scholars will be creating presentations and presenting their findings to their classmates.

HISTORY:

In History, after spending a couple of days analyzing the claim that the Vikings were in fact the first to reach the New World, the fifth graders will complete their unit on European Exploration by studying the routes of Cartier, Hudson, and Verrezzano.

8TH GRADE HAPPENINGS

Last week, the Class Dojo incentive for the end of year activities was unrolled to all 8th graders. The weekly goal is a minimum of 15 points. When scholars earn more points during the week, they get more, for example, 16-20 points earns a dress down pass, 21-25 points earn a chaperoned trip to a local bodega during lunch and a dress down pass and 30+ points earns a pizza party, dress down and more. Encourage 8th graders to stay focused and remember the R.E.A.C.H. values we strive for at CPCS.

In an effort to give Morehouse and Spelman scholars an opportunity to get ahead, Morning Meeting is now Study Hall. Students can use this time to complete assignments and use for extra reading time (after all, they do have 50 book reviews due!) Morning meeting sounds like a college library (occasional whispering), looks like students working diligently and preparing for the day ahead and it feels like academic success! Do you know how many book reviews your student has completed to date?



**CHARTER SCHOOL
ADVOCACY DAY 2015**
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Join us for Charter School
Advocacy Day 2015
When? February 3, 2015
Where? Albany, NY

Info Every CPCMS Family Should Know

- 8th Grade
 - \$270 Senior dues**final payment due by 4/2/15
 - Complete 50 book reviews
 - Complete Exit Portfolio..... due June 3rd
 - \$200 End of Year Trip (this is an earned opportunity)
 - **non refundable
- 7th Grade
 - Complete 40 Book Reviews
 - \$200 for the End of Year trip (this is an earned opportunity)
- 6th Grade
 - Complete 35 Book Reviews
 - \$200 for the End of Year trip (this is an earned opportunity)
- 5th Grade
 - Complete 25 Book Reviews
 - \$200 for the End of Year trip (this is an earned opportunity)