



Dr. Betty Shabazz School

P.S. 298

Feb. 4th – Feb. 8th

Dear Community of Learners,

- ✚ Enter data in Dropbox
- ✚ No School on Feb. 5th Happy Lunar New Year
- ✚ C.P.R clubs Cycle 3 will begin on Wednesday Feb. 6th
- ✚ Ms. Nasshorn and Ms. Camacho open up their classrooms, please set up visit
- ✚ Instructional Leadership Team Feb. 14th
- ✚ Saturday school continues
- ✚ Word Wisely observation
- ✚ Data Wall Update by Wednesday Feb. 6th
- ✚ Feb. 7th Acting with Purpose
- ✚ Feb. 12 2nd Mock ELA 3-5
- ✚ Newsletter due to Ms. Harrison
- ✚ Feb. 12 Principal's Gala - 4 pm
- ✚ Feb. 13 Pre-K Non-Attendance Day - No School for Pre-K Students ONLY
- ✚ Feb. 14 100th Day of School Celebration



Student of the Month Principal Luncheon



How are you leveling up?



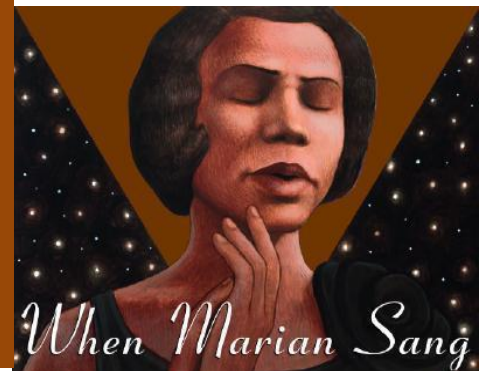
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Thankful for GYM Star coming and having a great event with our scholars!

Book of the Month:
How have you shared this book within your instruction? Don't forget to visit the library!!!



A Message from PWC

Concerned about a student?

Please submit a referral for services to Partnership with Children.

Below we would like to share with you some signs that a child may need social-emotional support:

- * Persistent feelings of sadness and hopelessness (can include refusals or stress when it comes to attending school.)
- * Constant anger and a tendency to overreact to situations.
- * Persistent worry, anxiety, or fearfulness.
- * Preoccupation with physical illness or their own appearance.
- * Your own gut feeling! It is okay to submit a referral if you are not sure of a student's well-being. We will provide the family and students with evidenced-based assessments and care that will help to identify their needs and how we can support.

If you'd like to learn more about child development, social-emotional well-being, and overall signs for when a child may need help, please walk into our room (221) or contact us on ext. 2212.

Community Schools: A special thank you to Ms. G who works so hard each and every day to make our school a place that feels like home to our many families.

From securing toy donations to ensure families had a happy holiday to her collaborative work with Ms. Davis to ensure our food pantry has items to supplement and provide food and cleaning items to our families in need. This also includes our sock and underwear donation which we will be delivering to families in temporary housing this week.

Ms. G has also been working to secure a freezer for meat, poultry, and fish produce in addition to a washer and dryer.

With that, we'd also like to give a shout out to Ms. G and Barber Josh for getting our Kids Kutz program up and running this school year! So many families have already shared how much of a support this is for our young boy's 😊.

Student of the Month:

For the month of January, Ms. Nicholas organized a Student of the Month Principal Luncheon this past Friday. Shout out to Mr. Dill for making this all possible, the students had a GREAT time having lunch with you! We are super proud of our teachers and student

for all of their hard work and please.

Student Council: Black History Month!

This week Student Council will deliver announcements to our school community! Be on the lookout for more information to come on when and where this will be taking place.

Hands up! Don't Shoot! Student Council would like to remind everyone that this week is Black Live Matters at School National Week of Action. We would like to share a link to lesson plans, films, books, and readings that affirm black identity (<https://www.dcareaeducators4socialjustice.org/black-lives-matter/resources>).

For more information about Black Lives Matter at Schools please check out this resource:

<https://blacklivesmatteratschool.com/about/>

Black Live Matters at School National Week of Action

All Teachers

Attendance

Student attendance continues to be a huge priority and one of our Renewal Benchmarks. It is important that families and students are reminded of how important it is to arrive to school on time. Students who are consistently late to school miss many important information and lessons, and this may affect them negatively in the future. It is helpful to review the many incentives the school offers with students to promote 100 percent attendance. Remind them to live by this **MOTTO: Being Early Is On Time, Being On Time Is Late and Being Late is UNACCEPTABLE!**

School Website

Our school website is now live! Please ensure that you are updating class pages by sending all related documents to be displayed to social@ps298.org. You may also send pictures to be posted on social media to the same email address with an appropriate caption

3K Teachers

Pre- K Application for the 2018/19 school year opened today!! We will be hosting an application open house to support families in registering and completing the application. Remind parents to make sure that they have a working email address along with the password associated with that account. Doing this prior will make the application process more efficient. If parents do complete applications independently, ensure that they provide you with a copy of the confirmation number or page for completion verification.

Principal's Honor Roll

Please help congratulate the following students who have earned a spot on the Principals' Honor Roll:

3rd Grade

Sean Hunter, Makaylaa Perez, Amari Marks, Aaliyah Davis, Neveah Bradley, Kamille Montague, Jaiyana Slaughter-Hinds, Nairobi Hollingsworth, Shaniya Jeffries, Jahzier Jones

4th Grade

Jahlaya Sheppard, Alexander Mercado, Elianny Alvarez, Tanasia Guevara, Nachele Johnson, Devantey Ivey, Cynthia Joseph, Eliany Alvarez, William Ortiz

5th Grade

Helena Charlie, Synsear Lovera, Karen Ortiz, Maria Perez, Jourdyn Renie, Morgan Rodriguez, Jayden Toress, Shaun Parnell, Joel Felipe
Lavar Gale

Commend them on their hard work and continue to motivate them! A reception will be held on Tuesday to celebrate their accomplishment. All staff members are invited to help celebrate these students

3-5 Teachers

Ready Assessment

Ready 2 ELA Assessment window opens next week. Remind students of the importance of preparing for this exam. Review test strategies and concepts with them to prepare them. Remind students that performance on this practice exam serves as a major criteria for earning a spot on the Principal's Honor Roll.

Nifemi Ogunsuyi
Master Teacher

Math Corner with Ms. Headlam

Lesson planning - Here are some points to remember when planning your math lessons.

- Your Number Routine (Number Talk or any other math routine) should be written into your lesson plan.
- The mini-lesson should include the tool or concrete manipulative you will use to model. Students should also have this tool for guided and independent practice.
- Consider adding a quick turn and talk asking students "What did I do today?" as a check-in on student engagement during or right after the teacher model.
- Create an anchor chart, but reveal it after the students say what the teacher did.
- You can use the share and show for guided practice. If it is not a word problem, have students give a word problem for the numbers. Students can refer back to the teacher model as a frame, if necessary. Ask, "what if this story was about _____ and _____"?
- Independent practice can be completed with a partner or group.

Please let me know if you have need lesson planning support.

Grades 3 - 5

The state exam is quickly approaching. How you are providing spiral review of the concepts that were already taught but not mastered, as indicated on the math simulation? Students can review these concepts through an Exemplars task, centers, and for homework. As you are creating tiered independent tasks for your lesson, refer to NYS released test questions to see how certain concepts will be tested. Encourage students to check their answers using a different strategy. This aligns with the "E" in MOLE. Also, ensure that you are following the pacing calendar. This is important so that students receive exposure to all necessary topics before the state exam.

I will be at PS 298 on Monday and Wednesday this week.

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Althea Headlam



Ms. Harrison's Tech Corner

Greetings! Thank you to all teachers for your collaboration and cooperation using the laptop carts on all floors. Please return all laptops to the cart each time you utilize it as there should be 30 laptops in the cart. Also please ensure that the laptop cart remains plugged in during and after you use it. It is important that all laptops are returned to the housing classroom by 3:30. Students are not to sign out or borrow laptops from the cart outside of their class time. Only teachers are to sign out laptops. Thank you!

Grades k-5 are working on the last two units of digital citizenship as well as I-Ready in technology.

The outlet ports for the Ipad chargers and headphones for laptops are being ordered. Thank you for your patience.

Websites to try:

Microsoft Bookings for education (P/T conf.)

Have a great week!

Siedah Harrison

