A MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL FRANKLIN

AS WE ENTER THE MID-YEAR POINT, OUR FOCUS REMAINS ON SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING AND QUALITY INSTRUCTION. PLEASE ENJOY THIS ISSUE TO HIGHLIGHT ALL WE ARE DOING TO SUSTAIN OUR FOCUS.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU AND YOUR CHILD LOG INTO SCHOOLIO WEEKLY TO MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S GRADES AND ASSIGNMENT COMPLETION. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EMAIL TEACHERS WITH ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE SO WE ARE TRULY FOSTERING OUR SHARED PARTNERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS.

BEHAVIORAL ACHIEVEMENT
THE GRADE LEVEL TEAM LEADERS AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS WILL CONTINUE TO REWARD THE STUDENTS WHO CONSISTENTLY FOLLOWED OUR P.O.U.N.C.E. CODE OF CONDUCT. OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE 100% PARTICIPATION IN THESE SPECIAL EVENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE STUDENTS WHO ARE COMING TO SCHOOL EACH AND EVERY DAY ON TIME AND FOR CONSISTENTLY DISPLAYING POSITIVE BEHAVIOR; AS WELL AS PROVIDE CONSEQUENCES FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT MAKING POSITIVE CHOICES.

HEALTH AND SAFETY
STUDENTS' AND STAFF’S HEALTH AND SAFETY REMAIN A TOP PRIORITY, PLEASE CONSISTENTLY ENSURE THAT YOU ARE NOT SENDING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL WHEN THEY ARE SICK, AND REITERATING THE IMPORTANCE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASK WEARING. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL IF YOUR CHILD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 OR IS EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19.

STAKEHOLDER CLIMATE SURVEY
IT’S ALMOST TIME! THE ANNUAL BCPS STAKEHOLDER CLIMATE SURVEY BEGINS MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023, AND WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023. OPEN TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-12, ALL PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THE SURVEY WILL BE AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. EACH YEAR, THIS COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY PROVIDES VALUABLE FEEDBACK AND HELPS TO STEER DECISION-MAKING ABOUT THE BUDGET, STAFF, AND PROGRAMS. IT WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE BCPS WEBSITE; BE SURE TO PARTICIPATE AND LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS.

Sixth Grade Quarterly Newsletter

SIXTH GRADE MAGNET TAKES ON THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE!
SOUTHWEST ACADEMY’S SIXTH GRADE MAGNET PROGRAM WENT ON A FIELD TRIP TO THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE IN PHILADELPHIA PA. WHILE AT THE MUSEUM STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO VISIT EXHIBITS SUCH AS THE HUMAN BRAIN, SPACE COMMAND AND ISAAC LOFT’S WHICH IS A PLAYGROUND OF EXPERIMENTATIONS. IT DISPLAYED FALLING OBJECTS, OPTICAL ILLUSIONS AND DEMONSTRATED ALL THREE OF NEWTON’S LAWS. THE ENTIRE UNIT FOR THE THIRD SCIENCE UNIT FOCUSES ON NEWTON’S THREE LAWS OF MOTIONS.

STEAM ACTIVITY
How to solve the case?
Let's look at each of the possible suspects!

SWA SCHOLARS ENGAGED IN A SCHOOL-WIDE STEAM ACTIVITY! DAREN, OUR D.A.R.E. LION, AND THE D.A.R.E. LION MASCOT COSTUME WAS STOLEN! EACH CLASS NEEDED TO DETERMINE WHO THE CULPRIT WAS AND DELIVER A WARRANT. CLASSES WORKED TOGETHER TO TRACK DOWN THE EVIDENCE AND JOT DOWN CLUES TO EITHER SUPPORT OR REFUTE THEIR PREDICTIONS. STUDENTS SELECTED A CLASS REPRESENTATIVE TO DELIVER THE WARRANT TO THE CULPRIT. CAN YOU GUESS WHO THE CULPRIT WAS?!
A poem written by 6th grade student: Kylie R in Mrs Bright’s ELA class

I can analyze the rhyme schemes of several poems in order to explain how rhyme schemes can affect the sound of a poem and its impact on the reader.

Students composed rhyming lines about their friends, their school life, and their teachers.

“My teacher thinks I’m cool
so I challenge her to a duel
when I finish this duel
I will sit on a stool” Precious O.

“I am stress and need a break
it would help me concentrate.” Kylie R.