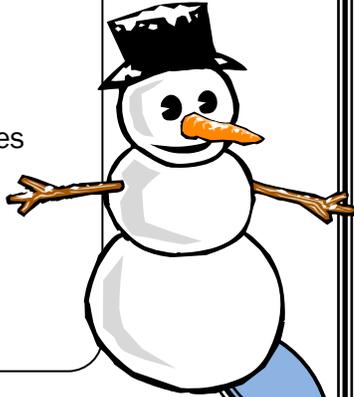


Wilkins Elementary

January 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 1/9/17 Classes Resume
1/11/17 End of 2nd Quarter
1/16/17 NO SCHOOL: MLK Jr. Day
1/19/17 NO SCHOOL
Parent/Teacher Conferences
1:00 – 8:00 p.m.
1/20/17 NO SCHOOL
Teacher Institute
1/23/17 Report Cards Issued



Notes from Dr. Serdar:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope everyone had the time to relax and rest up during winter break. As the faculty and I prepare to move into the second semester of this school year, I am encouraged and excited about what lies ahead for the students of Wilkins Elementary School! Here at school we are ready to make 2017 a year filled with success and opportunities to grow through hard work and dedication. The hard work is the responsibility of all of us – teachers, students, families, and administrators. I know together we can make learning an exciting venture. Parents, our commitment to you is to help support your children in acquiring the necessary skills, understandings, attitudes, and qualities that will equip them in becoming successful, productive citizens. In turn, I ask that you please make sure that your children are **on time**, ready for learning each day. Remember tardiness hinders successful learning!

Arrival: 8:30a.m. Dismissal: 2:45p.m.

Student Council
Joy Drive



To report an
absence, please call
our attendance line:
(708) 496-8706

Calling All Substitutes!

Indian Springs School District #109 is looking to add to its list of available substitute teachers and paraprofessionals. If you are interested in being a substitute in our School District, please contact Mary Ann Hotzfield, School District Receptionist, at (708)496-8700. The eligibility requirement to be a substitute teacher is to possess a teaching license or substitute teacher license (the substitute teacher license requires a Bachelor's Degree). The eligibility requirement to be a substitute paraprofessional is to possess a paraprofessional license. Feel free to contact Mary Ann Hotzfield for further details.

Dr. Robert Serdar, Principal
rserdar@isd109.org

Mrs. Candice Del Prete, Assistant Principal
cdelprete@isd109.org



SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

WITH THE WINTER SEASON UPON US, WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU OF
OUR SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES

**PLEASE DO NOT CALL YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL REGARDING SCHOOL
CLOSINGS. THE PHONES ARE NEEDED TO COORDINATE OUR
EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.**

IF YOU WANT INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT SCHOOL WILL BE
OPEN, YOU MAY ACCESS THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE AT

www.isd109.org

OR

THE EMERGENCY CLOSING CENTER AT

www.emergencyclosingcenter.com

OR

TUNE INTO THE FOLLOWING:

RADIO STATIONS

WGN RADIO 720 (AM)

WBBM NEWS RADIO 78 (AM)

TELEVISION STATIONS

CHANNELS 2,5,7,9

NOVEMBER VIKINGS OF THE MONTH

The following students showed exceptional acts of citizenship, kindness, and respect in our school.

Congratulations!

K-2: Jamari Figgs
3-4: Nathaniel Orzechowski
5-6: Yara Khazneh



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT TRUST FOUNDATION IN-SCHOOL FIELD TRIP

ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, THE FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT TRUST FOUNDATION VISITED THE 3RD GRADE STUDENTS AT WILKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. ONE OF THE MUSEUM'S EDUCATORS PRESENTED THE STUDENTS WITH THE RELEVANCE OF WRIGHT'S DESIGN LEGACY. THROUGH THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF ARCHITECTURE PRESENTATION STUDENTS LEARNED THE HISTORY OF FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT AND WHAT MADE HIM AND HIS DESIGNS SO UNIQUE. THE 3RD GRADERS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO USE FROEBEL'S BLOCKS TO BUILD FORMS OF LIFE AND FORMS OF BEAUTY. STUDENTS THEN ENGAGED IN THE CREATIVE PROCESS BY CREATING THEIR OWN UNIQUE DESIGN FORM AND THEN DISCUSSING THEIR DESIGN WITH THE CLASS. THIS PRESENTATION ALIGNED NICELY WITH 3TH -5TH NGSS ENGINEERING STANDARD.



FRANK
LLOYD
WRIGHT