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HEADLINES



Physical Education

Hello CPA parents and students,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. The school year is flying by as we are approaching the midway point. In PE, the students have been learning a variety of sports, lifetime activities, and team building skills. To recap, we have completed our team building, throwing, soccer, basketball, and fitness units. My goal is to expose students to a variety of activities that they will be able to do throughout their lifetime. We are currently in our speed stacking unit, which has numerous benefits and can even be done at home! I am looking forward to having a great second half of the school year. Please feel free to email me if there are any questions or concerns.

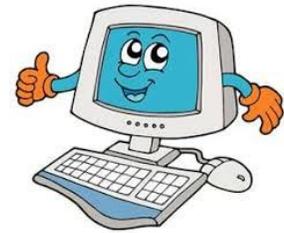
Thank you!

Sincerely, S. Peace

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Media

It seems like we just began school, and now it is January! As you talk with your children about goals and resolutions for the new year, please remember to include reading goals. Just like children develop stamina for running, playing, and becoming physically active, they also have to develop **reading** stamina. For children this means going from concept books like ABC books to Story books; from Story books to beginning chapter books, and from beginning chapter books to longer chapter books. The hard part for older children is staying with the book until they have finished it, but this is a very important skill. From December to the end of February, CPA is challenging our third through fifth graders to read 3 chapter books from the SC Children's Book Award list, pass an AR quiz on the book, and register to vote for the state's book award winner at the end of February. Students must read 3 books to be able to vote, and their proof of having read the book is to pass the Accelerated Reader quiz on the book. These Book Award titles are available at our school library, the public library, and in digital form through MackinVia (MackinVia.com). To access the E-book versions of these books, children go to the MackinVia website, use their CCSD login, and can choose one of the books from the list to read. We would like for all of our 3rd-5th graders to set a record by achieving 100 percent participation. Please ask your child which of the Children's Book Award books he or she is reading, and encourage them to develop their reading stamina by reading the entire book. The whole family could choose one title to read from each night, with the student leading the way as the reader. After all, at CPA, we are Reader Leaders! If you have any questions about this project, please call me (843-720-2967) or send me an email (Mary_Cockrell@charleston.k12.sc.us). Happy reading!



Technology

Have your boys and girls shown you their typing skills? Students in grades 2 - 5 have been awesome this first half of the school year learning keyboarding skills! Students begin each Technology class with keyboarding practice as they work at their own pace to complete lessons in our keyboarding program, "Typing Quest". It's very impressive to see them progress through the modules.

We've also enjoyed learning about various features and tools in Microsoft Word and Google Docs. Students had a blast creating images in Google Drawings also. Students are becoming well equipped to apply what they are learning in Technology to future projects they might have.

Thanks,

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