

# MABEL HOGGARD MAGNET SCHOOL

## Home of the Challengers

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November/December 2015

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I hope you are all enjoying the fall season with all the sights and smells and excitement in the air! As always, we've been very busy here at Hoggard with plenty of great fall activities for the students. We had a fabulous World Dance Festival in October where students learned about different cultures from around the world. Our second grade students experienced a "plot to plate" event where some UNLV hospitality students showed them how some of the food we are able to grow in our garden can be converted into delicious meals. They made pumpkin crepes with raspberry apple jam drizzled with whip cream and chocolate sauce. Talk about a yummy lesson! The UNLV students will return again in the spring for another delicious food demonstration.

There will be a Parent Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, Nov. 19, at 8:00a.m. in room 40. Please join us to learn how we may be able to establish a PTA here, and to also help us plan some great future events for the students. This is a great way to become very actively engaged with the school, and to have a voice in what's happening at your child's school. I hope you will be able to attend!

Please be aware that Elementary School Parent Teacher Conferences will take place during the week of December 14th—18th. All day conferences will take place on December 14th, and there will be no school for students on this day. Please look for information coming home from your child's teacher about scheduling your conference. Please contact the school if you have not received any information about scheduling a conference, or if you need more information.

Our first round of ACUITY and STAR assessments have been completed. Our students and teachers did a wonderful job with ensuring that students fully participated in these assessments to give us a baseline of how our students are performing at this time. This baseline information helps us to form goals for our students to help them move forward in their achievement levels. Your child's teacher will go over the results of these assessments in reading and math during parent teacher conferences in December. I can share that 65% of our students in grades 1—5 are reading on grade level according to the STAR assessment, and 69% of our students in grades K—2 are meeting benchmark standards in reading according to the Acuity Assessment. In Math, around 75% of our students are meeting benchmark standards according to our AIMS Web and Moby Max benchmark assessments. With your support, our students will continue to meet their academic goals and targets! Thank you.



*Happy Thanksgiving!  
To You And Your Family*

*Stacey Scott-Cherry*  
Principal

# NEWS FROM AROUND OUR CAMPUS



## Library Time With Mrs. Dailey

The Scholastic Book Fair will be arriving soon. Our "Monster Book Fair" will be held in the library on Nov. 25 to Dec. 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Proceeds will go to the library and benefit all of our students. Remember: Reading is so much fun, you'll get goosebumps!

The Accelerated Reader program is definitely off to a great start this year. Many students are reading and taking quizzes daily in the library before school and during lunch. A few of our students have already earned over 100 points. At the end of the school year, many of our students will be rewarded for their dedication to reading at the A.R. Pizza Party in the library. We are very proud of all of our readers!

## Student Leader Lowdown by: Jean Reyes and Nate Wilkins

As this year's student leader officials continue to look bright, we celebrated some special events: Our school celebrated our first Mix It Up Day on October 27, 2015. Students mingled during lunch meeting new friends.

Thanks to all who donated their time, candy, and cars to make for a triumphant Trunk or Treat! Our first skate night of the year was a blast! We look forward to our second skate night in March. Celebrating these events was exciting! We continue to gather nonperishable food items until November 20 to support the Las Vegas Rescue Mission. More upcoming events include the Downtown Las Vegas Santa Run to assist Opportunity Village on December 5, 2015. You can register to run with our school group: HO HO Hoggard at [lasvegassantarun.org](http://lasvegassantarun.org) or you can donate towards our fundraising goal at <https://opportunityvillage.enmotive.com/registrations/fundraising>.

We are continuing our First Friday sales where we sell treats during all lunch periods.

## First Grade Happenings

First grade has been filled with a variety of learning in all areas. In science, students have been learning about rocks and are beginning to investigate the science behind balancing objects and having a fun time trying to balance crayfish and triangles. In animal lab, the students explored the characteristics and life cycles of the animals. They also learned about the life cycle of plants, pumpkins, and planted vegetable seeds in the garden. Unfortunately they have not all germinated, but we are hoping to have carrots and radishes for our upcoming Thanksgiving celebration. In addition, the students are learning the importance of using science journals to record observations and information, just like scientists.

In math, students are identifying, counting and writing numbers from 0-120. They are comparing numbers and getting familiar with solving addition and subtraction problems using manipulatives, a number grid and the number line. Additionally, they are learning about place value and fact families.

This year students are also using a new book series, *Flying Start to Literacy* for small group instruction. Students have all shared their first oral book report with their class and other presentations will be coming. These are only a few of the highlights happening in first grade. We look forward to the holiday weeks with more exciting experiences and engaged hands-on learning.

## Musical Notes with Mrs. Ameling



All students danced their best on October 29<sup>th</sup> at the World Dance Festival. Thank you parents for providing the costumes from Russia, Brazil, Portugal, Mexico, Italy and Japan! The students looked great! We are happy to have Ms. Seo as our student teacher from UNLV. She will be with us through December and is a talented pianist and musician.

You are invited to attend the winter concert entitled, "A Holiday of Music", on Thurs. Dec. 17 at 9:40 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. We will feature the Mabel Hoggard Honor Choir, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Dance Ensembles, and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Recorder and Instrument Ensembles. We guarantee the students' performances will put you in a holiday spirit!

In music class, all students have been working on their singing voices, moving to the pulse, playing instruments and creating their own music. As third grader, Vandalyn Holmes, says, "Sing! Dance! Create! And Play! You can do it anytime, you can do it today!"

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# STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

## OCTOBER, 2015



ROOM	OUTSTANDING STUDENT	MOST IMPROVED
2	Rayne Montgomery	Paola Garcia
3	Loryn Sturgis	Luke Morelock
4	Michael Reynolds	Milliona Abraham
5	Alannah Gruner	Aaron Ruiz Gonzalez
6	Mahisha Mohotti	Rut Toledo-Perez
7	Teresa Duque	River Poort
8	Derek Octaviano	Belen Perez Ramirez
9	Aleza Aragonese	Thomas Jay
10	Kenn Sourjah	David Martinez
11	Sophia Griffin	Ian Ramirez
13	Reina Bungay	Tristan Godoy
14	Saron Gulilat	Cameron Paul Fernando
15	London Lee	Logan Garcia
16	Michelle Mejia Garcia	David Martinez Cruz
17	Aaliyah Avery	Raniah Haley
18	Destiny Islas-Pacrem	Isabel Aguino Arrieta
19	Jairo Cruz	Nate Damewood
20	Shayla Toledo-Perez	Moriah Filimona
24	Emely San Juan	Naomi Valtierra
32	Luis Ramirez	Kinverly Martin

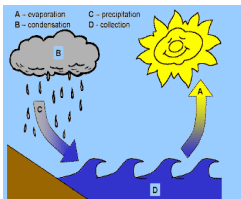
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## Art Contest Winners!

Congratulations to second grader, London Lee! She won First Place (Elementary Division) in the Las Vegas Natural History Museum and the Protectors of Tule Springs Art Contest.

Congratulations to second grader, Dinil Mohotti! He took Second Place in the Art Contest! Both are in Mrs. Makowski's class! Way to go, Hoggard!


## Fourth Grade Happenings



This year the fourth grade is off to a fantastic start! In science, all classes have been engaged in water experiments and learning about the water cycle. Students have also been learning about simple machines and forces in Science Lab. In language arts, students have been working hard on various reading strategies and skills such as character traits and theme of a story. We are excited to continue our rigorous reading curriculum using the *Common Core Support Coach*. Students will be learning many skills through a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts. Additionally, this year in math we are utilizing the *Common Core Support Coach*; and our students are working hard on their multiplication and division facts. Keep practicing nightly at home! In January we will attend the Philharmonic Concert at The Smith Center. Parents, we encourage you to join us!

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

11/25-12/2	School Book Fair—Library	
11/26-11/29	NO SCHOOL—Happy Thanksgiving!	
12/5	Student Leaders Santa Run for Opportunity Village	
12/14-12/18	Parent/Teacher Conference Week	
12/14	NO SCHOOL—Elementary School Parent/Teacher Conference Day	
12/17	Winter Music Program—9:40 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.	
12/19– 1/3	NO SCHOOL—Winter Break—Happy New Year 2016!	
1/4	Students Return	
1/9	Magnet Schools Recruitment Fair: Western HS 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m	
1/15	End of First Semester	
1/18	NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
1/25-3/4	WIDA Testing for EL students Gr. K-5	

## MAGNET SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Online applications for Magnet Schools Applications are now available online and are due by 3:00 p.m. on February 2, 2016.

Go to <http://magnetapp.ccsd.net>

Questions regarding Magnet and Career Technical Academies can be answered by calling the Magnet/CTA Department at 799-8492 or by visiting the website at <http://magnet.ccsd.net>.

### KINDERGARTEN PARENTS PLEASE NOTE!!!!

Any Kindergarten parent wishing to have their child attend a Magnet Elementary School for first through fifth grade, including Mabel Hoggard Magnet School, MUST submit a Magnet School application by 3:00 p.m. on February 2, 2016 in order for their child to be eligible for the Magnet School Lottery. Acceptance into Mabel Hoggard Magnet School, or any CCSD Magnet School, is only through the lottery which takes place in March 2016.

Please visit <http://magnet.ccsd.net> for further information or contact our school office: 702-799-4740.