

MABEL HOGGARD MAGNET SCHOOL

Home of the Challengers



October 23, 2014

Acting Principal: Janice Lewandowski

Dear Parents/ Guardians:

Autumn is here and one of our favorite school events at this time is our World Dance Festival. I invite you to attend the festival on Thursday, October 30, from 9:00-10:30 a.m. on the playground. Students and teachers will be dressed in costumes and dancing to music representing several different countries. Immediately following the dance festival, I will hold a Principal and Parents Advisory Meeting at 11:00 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room to review our School Performance Plan which outlines our school goals; Title I components; and the new Nevada Educator Performance Framework. I look forward to seeing you there.

In Other News....

A new student organization was developed this school year: School Leaders and School Ambassadors, similar to the Student Council in past years. We congratulate the following students who were elected **Student Leaders!**

President: Audrey Shepherd; **Vice President:** Valerie Vogan
Treasurers: Savannah Bentley- Smith and Kenn Sourjah
Secretary: Anna Bachvarov; **Event Planner:** Cheyenne Palenko.



The following students were admitted in as **School Ambassadors** and will assist the Student Leaders and Teacher Facilitators, Mrs. Makowski, Mrs. Dailey, and Mrs. Peffer:

First Grade: London Lee, Camrin Lewis, Alex White

Second Grade: Claudia Arellano Vargas, Eranda Citaku, Loza Hailu, Saron Gulilat, Kirina McLeod, Adrian Roman

Third Grade: Aleza Aragonés, Jordyn Bedford, Oniana Boulware, Kristopher Gutierrez, Vandalayn Holmes, Gennesys Marquez Rufino, Ashley Perez Vaquero, Skylar Segovia, Shivaansh Singh, Loryn Sturgis, Nia Vela, Vincent Vogan, Nathaniel Wilkins, Debora Zotchi

Fourth Grade: Xiamara Drummer, Kira Jaspe, Daphne Pena Garcia, Angela Victoriano, Arkash Wijekularatne

Fifth Grade: Raghav Bhagat, David Dorabantu, Valkyrie Holmes, Shaan Gulati, Margretta Pawlak, Elias Reed, Austin Stebbins, Sean White

I am very proud of these students for stepping up to be leaders at our school!

Sincerely, Ms. Lewandowski



News From Around Our Campus

Mr. Waters' Art World

In Art we focus on the Art Elements of Line, Shape, Texture, Color, Value, Form, and Depth or Space. All classes have completed their portfolio Name Design. They will keep all their 2-D art work in there as they work on it.

Most classes are focusing on drawing skills, from drawing people more realistically to drawing shapes and turning them into 3-D forms using shading. We will continue our drawing skills with oil pastels and chinks, before we move onto weaving and clay.

Explorations class has a great group of 5th graders that have been using the iPads to animate short videos using paper. We made flip books, where they have to draw on each sheet. The final results have been really great. We will also use the computers with PowerPoint to make some animations, and end with the iPads once more to animate objects such as, toys, clay, and anything the students can find that will make a good video.

If you are looking for volunteer hours, I could always use help with cutting paper, or you can come in and give a hand as needed.



Music Notes

Our UNLV student teacher, Mrs. Frost, spent eight weeks with us in music class teaching us music skills. She will be back in December as our choir accompanist. All students learned how to sing the Star Spangled Banner and its history in September to honor the 200th birthday of the writing of our National Anthem by Francis Scott Key.

You are invited to attend our annual World Dance Festival on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 9:00 a.m. on the playground. Our 4th and 5th grade drumming ensemble will open the festival. Bring your cameras because all students will be dancing folk music from Russia, Norway, Sweden, Ecuador, Mexico, Australia, Japan, England and the United States. All students are to come to school dressed in their dance costume.

Ms. Council's class has been attending guitar lab and Mrs. Hernandez's class has been attending piano lab this fall. We have 69 choir members singing a variety of seasonal music for our winter concert on December 18 at 9:40 a.m. and 1:30p.m. We hope you will come and enjoy our concert. You may visit me for more music happenings on my website at: my.ccsd.net/cathyameling.

Awesome Fifth Grade Trip!

Our fifth grade Environmental Leadership Camp trip was awesome! We learned a lot about the ecosystem of the Spring Mountain Range. Ranger Bob, a forest ranger with the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, spoke to us about wildfires and controlled burns.

We identified different types of conifers and made inferences about special adaptations they might have for survival purposes. We practiced identifying Aspen, Ponderosa Pines, white firs, and bristlecone trees on our hikes.



We viewed constellations at night and wrote myths about them, as well as funny stories. During the day we took apart owl pellets to determine what prey they had captured, and we explored the camp area through geocaching. This will be an experience for us to build on all year long!



Students of the Month

September, 2014



Room	Outstanding Student	Most Improved
2	Cheyenne Palenko	Angel Casillas Napoles
3	Taylor Herring/LaStarra Rosser	
4	Nathaniel Wilkins	Rashell Escamilla-Ortiz
5	Talia Grantham	Christian Flores
6	Adriano Bautista Martin	Julian Herrera
7	Harlan Phillips	Yadira Martin Pascual
8	Paizley Jensen/Angela Victoriano	
9	Anna Bachvarov/Valerie Vogan	
10	Xiariah Drummer/Carl Malacaman	
11	Camilia Zuniga Almader	Jesse Campos
13	Eranda Citaku/Yonathan Abiy	
14	Aleza Aragones/Daniel Chavez	
15	Saron Guillilat	Ulises Abrica
16	Abigail Rojas	Melissa Martin
17	Kaevawn Brown	Kristine Martinez
18	Kirsten Victoriano	Kadence Eck
19	Melissa Moreno Cruz	Angel Pascual Chavez
20	Chantori Swift	Kinverly Martin
25	Alex White	Dinil Mohotti
32	Angel Alvarenga	Ahmari Braxton-Shelby

Kindergarten News

What a fun and exciting start the students have had in kindergarten! They are getting to know all their new friends, practicing routines, and learning the rules in their classrooms. The students are working on letter recognition, writing their first names beginning with a capital letter, identifying and writing numbers 1-20, learning colors and shapes, listening skills, and manners. Please reinforce what is taught in school by practicing these skills at home as well. Also each week, students visit Library, Art, Music, and Computer Lab. Additionally, we have assessed the students on essential skills. These assessments will be completed at the end of each quarter in an effort to show the progress your child has made throughout the school year. Recently, the students completed a unit study on apples. They learned how apples grow, the cycles of the apple tree with the seasons, and all the different foods made from apples. As fall is upon us, we will learn about Fire Safety, Nevada Day, and of course, pumpkins. Thanks again for your support!



UPCOMING EVENTS



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| 10/30 | World Dance Festival—9:00-10:30 a.m. Playground | |
| 10/30 | Principal and Parents Advisory Meeting 11:00 a.m. MPR | |
| 10/31 | NO SCHOOL—Nevada Day | |
| 11/3 | NO SCHOOL—Staff Development Day | |
| 11/4 | NO SCHOOL—Staff Development Day | |
| 11/4 | General Election Day | |
| 11/7 | Soccer Fridays begin 3:20-4:20 p.m. Field | |
| 11/10-11/11 | NO SCHOOL—Veterans' Day Holiday | |
| 11/19 | Fall Pictures Make-up Day | |
| 11/21 | PTSA Movie Night 6:00-8:00 p.m. MPR | |
| 11/26-12/5 | School Book Fair—Library | |
| 11/27-11/30 | NO SCHOOL—Happy Thanksgiving! | |
| 12/8-12/12 | Parent/Teacher Conference Week | |
| 12/10 | NO SCHOOL—Parent/Teacher Conference Day | |
| 12/12 | PTSA Cookies with Santa 6:00-8:00 p.m. MPR | |
| 12/13 | Magnet Schools Recruitment Fair—Del Sol HS 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. | |
| 12/18 | Winter Music Program—9:40 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. MPR | |
| 12/22– 1/2 | NO SCHOOL Winter Break—Happy Holidays! | |

Magnet School Applications

Online applications for Magnet Schools will be available on November 1. Applications are due by 3:00 p.m. on January 8, 2015.

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>.