

MABEL HOGGARD MAGNET SCHOOL

Home of the Challengers



January 2016

Principal: Stacey Scott-Cherry

Assistant Principal: Janice Lewandowski

Welcome back from the Winter Break! I hope you were all able to spend some quality time with your loved ones during the break. Right before our Winter Break, our student choir and dance teams performed a wonderful holiday themed performance. They really put on quite an amazing show for everyone! Now that we're back in school, our calendar is filling up very quickly with some great events to look forward to in January. You may have seen some information that was sent home recently about the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade that will take place on January 18th. We are asking all families to join us in the parade by meeting at Fourth and Gass at 8:00am on the day of the parade. We should all wear a Mabel Hoggard shirt or our school colors—blue and white.

Related to the celebration of Dr. King, one representative from each grade level will represent Mabel Hoggard Magnet School in the annual Young Dreamers Awards Ceremony on January 22nd. These students were selected for their positive behaviors in school. While many of our students display this characteristic everyday, only one student per grade level could be nominated. Congratulations to Declan Berger, Mauricio Delgado Gandara, Milliona Abraham, Cheyenne Palenko, and Anna Bachvarov for being selected this year to receive the award!

During the month of January, our students will participate in the next round of reading and math assessments. All students will participate in the AIMS-Web assessment. Students in grades K—2 will participate in the Acuity Assessment, and students with English as a second language will participate in the WIDA assessment this month. Right before the Winter break, students in grades 1—5 participated in the second administration of the STAR reading assessment. There was a short time between the first and second administrations of this assessment, but the results by grade level are provided below. This assessment will be administered for a third time toward the end of the school year to monitor growth, and that information will be shared with you later.

Have a wonderful January and welcome back again. I hope you can join us on January 18th, and as always, your support is greatly appreciated!

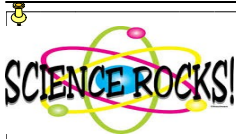
Sincerely,

Stacey Scott-Cherry, Principal

STAR Reading Assessment Results

Grade	Fall 2015	Winter 2015
1	49%	60%
2	70%	69%
3	67%	72%
4	69%	69%
5	69%	70%





Happenings in Third Grade

How time flies! We are coming to the end of our first semester in third grade. It has been an exciting and busy semester for third grade! Students learned about fables and myths, communities, and geology. In math, we explored the relationship between multiplication and division, the importance of memorizing both multiplication and division facts, how to round to the nearest 10 and 100, as well as adding and subtracting with regrouping.

In science, students enjoyed exploring the wonders of animal adaptations and habitat survival using crayfish. With Mrs. Duncan, they explored engineering and made their own bubble wands. In the animal lab, students continue to work with animals and design and monitor their own aquaponics systems. Students also learned about responsibility, respect, caring, and neatness from Mrs. Certa, our counselor. Students continue to work hard to meet their AR goals; we hope to see them continue to earn their goals in the new year. We look forward to the upcoming events in the next semester. This includes the Science Fair; research reports about animals; and our field trips to the Children's Discovery Museum and Sea World in May. Students: continue to work hard and challenge yourselves. We look forward to seeing your growth and success in the coming year.

Connecting and Creating with GATE

A field trip to the world-famous landmark of Hoover Dam, including views below of its colossal turbines and generators, will be a highlight for fourth- and fifth-grade GATE students this February. The trip connects with fifth graders' integrated unit called Food for Thought: Connecting Chemistry, Culture, Engineering, Energy and Edibles. Students are exploring everything from atoms and molecules to food distribution around the world and what people eat. They also are creating a service-learning project to help people who are hungry.

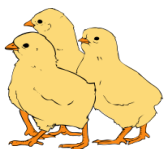
For fourth graders, Hoover Dam is one of nine exhibits in our school museum. Students are busy creating the lessons and activities that they will use to teach every first grader about their exhibit.

Meanwhile, third graders are demonstrating outstanding creative and critical thinking in their civilization projects. They devised their own staple crop and numerous inventions, and established a form of government.

Second Grade Is Awesome!

The second graders have been studying air and weather, states of matter, and the moon phases. We spent the winter break observing the moon and charting our observations. We had Channel 13 meteorologist, Greg Bennett, come talk to us about weather. Mrs. Law started special science lessons on investigating and creating hand pollinators. We will start our new "Maker's Faire" projects soon and will study insects this spring.

In social studies, we went to the Old Mormon Fort where we learned about the first settlers in Las Vegas and enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving feast. In December, we went to Levy Gardens and performed holiday songs and visited with the guests. We have many exciting things planned for spring including a trip to the Mirage to see the Secret Garden and the Dolphin Habitat; and a trip to Red Rock Canyon to learn more about the native Paiute Indians. We continue to improve in our reading, writing, and math and we just finished our Winter Writing Prompt. There are new baby chicks in the Animal Lab and we are watching them grow! Second grade is awesome!



Students of the Month

December, 2015



Room	Outstanding Student	Most Improved
2	Ninna Wang	Javioun Coleman
3	Mischa Claros	Ramiro Oliva Garcia
4	London Wade	Emanuel Perez Cortes
5	Samantha Gonzalez	Bibiana Duran
6	Arianna Gonzalez	Kayla Kelly
7	Anajai Brown	Andrea Quinones
8	Sophia Griffin	Jorge Gomez Miranda
9	Diana Granados Arreola	Angelina Belteton
10	Mike Corona Crespo/Liz Mendoza	
11	Catherine Ciotti	Jose Diaz
13	Anuhas Parakatawelle	Omar Fuentes
14		Desmonique Littleton and Misael Granados Arreola
15	Darren McGee	Rastelli Regalado Jr.
16	Mauricio Delgado	Kameelah Burns-Coleman
17	Jayvion Henderson	Geovanny Flores
18	Kaylee Lopez Villaverde	Sedona Beckman
19	Sherly Gonzalez Mena	Genesis Donu Sampedro
20	Noah Clifton	Aria Hickman
24	Phoebe Savage	Eman Najari
31	Connor Kim	Evelyn Pope





Thank you ! Thank you ! Thank you!

On behalf of the students and staff at Mabel Hoggard Magnet School, we want to thank the following organizations for providing holiday gifts to many of our families in need:

- **Amazing Acts of Kindness—Gifts for 27 families.**
- **CB Richard Ellis—Gifts for 40 students.**
- **Doolittle Community Center—Breakfast with Santa and gifts for nine students and one family.**
- **Los Prados Women's Club—Gifts for seven families; coloring books and cookies for all Kindergarten classes.**
- **Desert Dollies Club—Gifts for one family.**
- **St. James Catholic Church—Christmas food baskets for two families.**
- **Toys 4 Smiles—Wooden car toys for each Kindergarten student.**
- **Melanie and Phil Guevara—playing Santa and Mrs. Claus for our Pre-K students.**
- **Quinton Carter, former Mabel Hoggard student and Denver Broncos Strong Safety—gifts for eight students.**
- **Ana Arellano, our School Facilitator, for coordinating all the arrangements with the above groups. Her patience and determination ensured that so many students had a happy holiday.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

1/15	End of First Semester	
1/18	NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
1/19-2/12	ACCUITY Assessment for Gr. K-2	
1/25-3/4	WIDA Testing for ELL students Gr. K-5	
1/22	Report Cards Go Home	
2/2	Magnet School Applications Due: 3:00 p.m.	
2/15	NO SCHOOL—Presidents' Day	
2/29	Leap Year Day!	
2/29-3/4	Reading Week!	
3/7-5/31	SBAC testing Grades 3, 4, 5	
3/19-3/27	NO SCHOOL—Spring Break	
3/28	Students Return	

Magnet School Application Deadline: February 2, 2016.

The deadline for applications for Magnet Schools is 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016. Applications are available online or pick one up in our school office. Go to <http://magnetapp.ccsd.net>

Questions regarding specific Magnet and Career Technical Academies can be answered by visiting the above website. Please call the school office if you have questions about the application process: 702-799-4740.

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> or contact our school office: 702-799-4740 for further information.