The Stokes Banner

November 16, 2018



Important Dates:

November 19: No School, Teacher Records Day

November 20: No School, Teacher Professional Development

November 21-23: No School, Thanksgiving Break

November 26: No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences December 7: First Friday

Coffee/Parent Workshop (Math)

PTA Pancake Breakfast is Coming

Join us for the PTA's annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, December 8 from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM. Tickets are \$5 per person for delicious all you can eat pancakes and breakfast side dishes. Check out the PTA's website to sign-up to volunteer, purchase tickets, and find out more information: http://tinyurl.com/y9esxgcc.

Inclement Weather Policy

As winter approaches the likelihood of school delays and cancellations increase. In the event of inclement weather we will notify you via Send Word Now, the listserv, the school website, Facebook, and Twitter. If your contact information has changed please make sure to e-mail mariamo@ewstokes.org so she can update our record and ensure that you are receiving our alerts. If there is a delayed opening, we will begin school two hours late, at 10:05. There is no before care provided during delayed openings, but breakfast will be available when students arrive.



Above: Fourth grade is learning about how humans have expressed themselves through time and culture. Former Stokes School teachers and musicians Achielle Ango and Cheryl Jones visited fourth grade last week to speak to students about their form of expression and why it is important to them.

New Report Card Format

We have changed the format of our report cards to make them more accurately reflect our students' learning. Instead of a number or letter value assigned to an expectation, we will use the following terms:

EMG Emerging: Student is beginning to develop understanding; requires extra support.

DEV Developing: Student is making progress towards understanding; benefits from some support.

DEM Demonstrating: Student demonstrates secure understanding independently (this is grade level).

EXT Extending: Student applies learning to new settings comfortably; extends learning to the next level.

NA Not Assessed: Not assessed or reported this trimester. Teachers will continue grading based on trimester expectations rather than end of year goals. You can expect to understand how and to what point each of the specified goals were addressed with the new format,

Any questions you may have regarding the interpretation of your child's report card can be addressed at your parent/teacher conference following Thanksgiving Break. You can also email questions about the format to julias@ewstokes.org.

Eagle Awards

Congratulations to those students who received the Eagle Award this trimester! The Eagle award was an idea that our Student Government President, Brin (5S), came up with to recognize students who have done an exceptional job demonstrating our three school rules throughout the trimester. All classroom teachers, as well as specials teachers, the after school program, and the Green Team nominated students for this award.