Stokes School Newsletter

Dec. 2nd-6th,2019

Fifth French



Greetings Parents,

What an exciting week we had! This week, our scholars analyzed the Declaration of Independence and the US Constitution at their National Archives field trip as well as experienced a day in the life as a middle schooler with their buddy at DCI. Our students additionally analyzed text structure and main idea in non-fiction texts, learned new strategies for adding and subtracting fractions, as well as learned about the role of violence in important historical events. We are looking forward to a full week of school next week! Have a great weekend and stay warm. Sincerely,

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UNIT OF INQUIRY

 Students will continue to learn about the build up of the civil war: by the end of next week, we will have covered: The Compromise of 1820, Nat Turner's Rebellion, The Underground Railroad and Fugitive Slave Act, The Kansas-Nebraska Act, and the election of Abraham Lincoln, as we discuss both violent and non-violent means to resist

Important Dates and Reminders:

- 12/7 PTA Fun Run 8:00AM Rock Creek Tennis Center Picnic Grove#24
- 12/13 French spelling Quiz
- 12/14 PTA Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 9AM
- 12/19 English Spelling Quiz
- 12/20 Winter Concert
- 12/23-1/3 Winter Break
- As winter nears, we must all be prepared for inclement weather protocol. In the case that your emergency contact information has changed (phone number or email address), please email iyanat@ewstokes.org. Announcements for closures will be available on Stokes School's website, Facebook, and Twitter. We will also announce via emergency messaging service, SendWordNow.
- Reminder: Please label your scholar's belongings with their name, especially outerwear and water bottles.
- Reminder: Please do not drive up Oakview Terrace for drop off and please be mindful of DC traffic laws on Oakview Terrace and within the community. Do NOT block driveways on Oakview Terrace

Math

Students will learn strategies for fraction subtraction.

Writing Workshop French

- Students will start informational text in French
- Scholars will choose a topic about Martinique and write an informational text

ELA

 Students will analyze complex non-fiction texts and identify the main idea.

