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**Parental Involvement**

**Following our 6-point parental involvement program mentioned in last week’s newsletter, one of the main ways that we work with parents is called Parenting. In this aspect we provide tips which help all families establish home environments to support children as students.**

**It’s always a good idea to speak with your child about how their day is organized and how they can become more organized themselves. For example, your child should have a regular area at home where they study and organize their school supplies at home.**

**Similarly, at school, while students do have a locker, many children have trouble keeping it organized. Even more importantly, organizing themselves to be prepared for class is challenging for many students. To this end, G5/6 teachers have prepared the following document for students which you as a parent can help your child get organized for class by reviewing it with them at home.**

[**Locker Break Guidance**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qqVRmoFKy5lA9eTSP0wns2Xz4yM1oPPb-p1pvxT9bG8/edit?usp=sharing)

**Scientists of the Month**

**It’s wonderful to see our students engaged in hands-on learning activities in our science labs. When observing lab lessons their excitement is palpable.**

**Hats off to our scientists of the month of January! *Will your child make the recognition list for February?***

***Many of our students are being increasingly exposed to the concept of innovation in our science labs. One recent such experience has been in the G5/6 labs where your children have been busy designing sustainability projects to harvest rainwater.***

***G7/8 students have been learning how to use a microscope as well as the hidden microscopic world that is all around us!***

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***A big thank you to those of you whose children participated in the Innovation Fair. There were a lot of great projects representing most classes on each grade level.***

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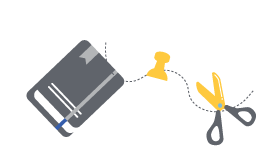
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**Read Across the World Week**

Next week is ***Read Across the World*** week at Ignite. We have several things planned to celebrate and to encourage literacy throughout our school.

1. Book Fair - The book fair will be open M-Th from 7:15-3:30. KG & ES classes will visit the book fair during their regularly scheduled library time. If your child’s class has a library period on Friday, our librarian Ms. Regina will send homeroom teachers details for signing up. Middle School classes may visit during the Homeroom Period. Students can bring money to buy books any time.
2. Reading Buddies - A schedule will be created to assign grade level reading buddies to go and read to students in other grade levels.
3. Reading A-Z competition - Supervised by Ms. Donna, the RAZ competition will last for the entire month of March
4. March 2 - Curl up & Read - Wear pajamas and bring a stuffed animal
5. Read Alouds from around the World - Ms. Regina will provide a list of books that are from authors around the world.
6. D.E.A.R. - Drop everything and read will continue for next week on Tuesday and Friday.

**IXL Honor Roll Update**

Kudos to our February IXL Leaders in Reading, Math and Science

We are proud of your children’s efforts. Let’s see who is on track to make it to the top of the Monthly Honor Roll at the end of the month! You know who you are! Keep up the great work!

**Uniforms**

Thank you for making sure that your child wears the school uniform including the Ignite Sweat jacket. I’ve noticed a dramatic improvement even in the Middle School. The vast majority of our students are now wearing uniforms and we can now finally agree that we are a uniform school!