

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER –FEBRUARY 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the school year, and we are in our third marking period! **Second quarter report cards** are available in Synergy Parent Vue. The third quarter began January 30th.

As we continue to work on equity and being inclusive at Gibbs, we want to hear from our parents. Stay tuned for a **parent survey** to be coming your way in the next few weeks, and we would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete it. We strive to ensure that every member of our Gibbs Community is valued and heard.

We will be celebrating our **Friendship Day Parties** on Wednesday, February 14th. This is an opportunity to celebrate friendships, and all students can participate. Each classroom will have an hour-long party sometime during that day. Families are invited. Please have a photo identification available to check in if you are coming. If you would like to be a party planner, please contact your child's teacher. Students may bring Valentine's Day cards in to pass out, as long as each student receives a card. Your child's teacher can provide you with the number of students in the class and/or a class list of names.

In order to celebrate **Black History Month**, each classroom will have some activities that highlight this event. We also will be highlighting individuals during our morning announcements each day. We want to acknowledge the historical events that have taken place and some of the many African Americans that have made great contributions, in the past, and in the present!

Please note the **important February dates** below. If you have any questions, please contact us. Have a fabulous February!

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February Important Dates

- 2/2/24: PTA Around the World Night, 6-8pm**
- 2/5/24: Report Cards Distributed**
- 2/6/24: GT Parent Survey Support, 5pm; PTA Meeting, 6pm**
- 2/9/24: STEAM Day for Students; Prekindergarten Friendship Parties, 10:15-11:15am, 2:30-3:30pm; Special Spirit Jersey Sports Day**
- 2/12/24: Winter Choral Concert, 7pm**
- 2/14/24: Classroom Friendship Parties, Kindergarten through Fifth Grades (Teachers determine the time); Friendship Day to wear red and pink**
- 2/19/24: President's Day! Schools Closed**
- 2/20/24: Grade 5 Parent Family Life Planning Meeting for Committee, 4:30-5:30pm**
- 2/22/24: No PEP, No PreK Classes**
- 2/23/24: STEAM Conference, 6-8pm**
- 2/27/24: Hearing and Vision Rescreening**

