#### **CSS CHATTER**

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#### NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM...

Preschoolers are jumping along the alphabet train! We are learning how to listen for and identify the initial sounds of letters and words. We are continuing to reinforce our Handwriting Without Tears; letter, word and sound identification cards daily to help us learn our letters. You can see our friends in Preschool moving and dancing along as we chant and sing our letters and sounds. It's so much fun learning to play with different sounds as we work together in playing some fun sound sorting games. Preschool is so much fun!

**Kindergarten** has been learning the capital letters and reviewing lowercase letters in Fundations along with tapping out words. We also started writing some simple sentences. In Touch Math we started to learn subtraction and review addition vocabulary and equations. Our read alouds are incorporating some science and social studies.

First Grade is continuing to learn new "glued sounds" in Fundations. We are finishing up descriptive writing and will start informative writing, where we will be able to share the facts we know. In Math, we just started our new chapter on addition and subtraction relationships. Next week we will learn how to and practice logging into Reflex Math. This will help us become more fluent with our addition and subtraction facts. In Mrs. Gaffney's class students are working on sight words, spelling CVC words, and rhyming words. Students are continuing to work on addition problems in math. This week we took the MAP math benchmark. In science, we are learning about hibernation and arctic animals.

Second Grade students learned about the life and contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. They built their knowledge through children's literature, Scholastic News articles, Brain Pop Jr ,and various Language Arts activities. In Ms. Levine's class students are learning how to add more details to their writing. Students in our System 44 group have been working hard on Module 2-Sports Showdowns. Both i-Read groups were introduced to their new stories. Students also took their winter reading benchmarks. In math students continue to work on double digit subtraction with

borrowing, double digit place value, or subtraction within 20.

Third Grade has been learning about the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his positive impact on the world. Students then wrote about the dreams they have for the world and for themselves. In math, students are excited to finally learn about division! In reading, students are reading about the young life of Thomas Edison and will be exploring other famous inventors as well.

Fourth Grade students are wrapping up their factors and multiples unit and preparing for fractions! They are getting really excited to learn about the American Revolution in Social Studies. They have been working so hard since returning for the new year after break. Their teachers are super proud of them! Mrs. McCann's class has started The Chocolate Touch for their read aloud. They will begin their testing this week, and have been introduced to multiplication arrays and facts. Students are continuing the Natural Disaster unit in Science. The class has started reading the Story "Button your Lip and Other Idioms" and learning various idioms and what they mean.

Fifth Graders are "fired up" and ready to tackle their next writing skill...opinion writing! They are excited to use the skills they are learning to try and persuade their audience to agree with them. The students have also enjoyed having great presentations by Officer Kendall about internet safety. Thought provoking questions were asked and valuable information was shared by all. Thanks, Officer Kendall, for always trying to help our students! In Mrs. Milewski's ELA class students are learning to use Pronouns in their writing. Students were also introduced to their new System 44 story "They Did What?". Students loved reading about these crazy feats! Students are taking their winter reading benchmarks and demonstrating their reading rockstar abilities! In math students are dividing with repeated subtraction and arrays.



# Special Areas

Music: This week in Kindergarten and 1st grade, our students will be reading "The Remarkable Farkle McBride" by John Lithgow and learning about all of the different instrument families! In 2nd grade, our students will continue learning about dynamics (volume of music) including forte and piano! And in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade, our students will be finishing up our tempo unit and begin learning about meters in music!



**World Language**: This week K-2 are practicing saying and using ASL to sign family members' in Target language. Third through fifth grade are using definite and indefinite articles and identifying femenine, masculine, singular, and plural nouns in Spanish.

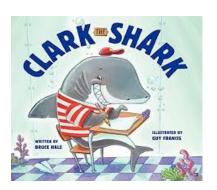






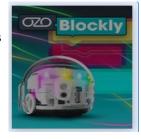
**G&T:** All G&T classes are continuing to work on their creative writing projects. In 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, we are planning, writing, and illustrating our own children's books. In 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade, we are writing mystery—stories. We are all working through the process and look forward to sharing the finished work in the—future!

QUEST: All of the QUEST classes have been using children's literature to work on a variety of skills. We are reading, writing, making social-emotional connections, and even engineering. Third grade QUEST classes have been working with the story <u>Clark the Shark</u>. We've discussed social awareness and are using the story to help us make our own good choices. We are even



using the engineering process to plan and build our own tool to help us increase our social awareness. We are finding a way to help us stop, look, and listen to our friends and teachers.

**STEAM:** In STEAM, fifth grade students are exploring Ozoblockly. This program allows students to code their Ozobot Evos to perform different tasks.





#### Charles Street School Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for the 2022-2023 School Year is taking place now. Follow these steps for the registration process for your 2022-2023 Kindergarten student -

 Go to the Palmyra School District registration site at:

https://palmyranj.sites.thrillshare.com/o/css/page/kindergarten-registration

- Fill out the available forms online, being sure to select the 2022-2023 school year option.
- After completing the forms, Ms. Kim Allen,
   Palmyra School District Registrar, will
   contact you to finalize your paperwork.
- Charles Street School personnel will contact you to schedule a kindergarten readiness screening test for your student.





**AGES 13 AND YOUNGER** 



#### DAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2022

Give Kids A Smile Day is a national program supported by the American Dental Association Foundation and the New Jersey Dental Association.

On this day, Rowan College at Burlington County's Dental Hygiene Clinic will offer FREE dental care for children 13 and under.

Last year, dentists treated nearly 3,000 children in New Jersey alone!



- · Screenings, fillings, extractions and restorative treatment
- · Fluoride treatments and sealants to protect permanent teeth
- · Orthodontic evaluations and referrals for braces
- · X-rays

To make an appointment for your child, please call (856) 291-4215.



To volunteer for GKAS at Rowan College at Burlington County, please call (856) 242-5234



#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT CSS

January 26 **End of Marking Period** 

February 1 **Report Cards published** 

**February 16 & 17 Parent/Teacher Conferences** 

12:45 Dismissal both days.

February 21 President's Day Observed -

**School closed** 



# COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD





## Palmyra Riverton Soccer Club Spring Recreational Soccer

Spring recreational program is for U5 to U8 players
Sessions are Saturday mornings at Legion Field
March 26, April 2, 9, 23, 30, May 7 & 14, 21
U5 / U6 - 9:00 to 10:00 am (2015 & 2016 birth years)
U7 / U8 - 10:00 to 11:00 am (2013 & 2014 birth years)
Registration closes February 28 | Fee - \$40 per player

### 2022 Spring Recreational Registration https://system.gotsport.com/programs/702491V97

The program is designed so that if players have commitments to another sport and are unable to attend a session or have to leave early, it isn't an issue

Please visit our website palrivsoccer.com for additional information