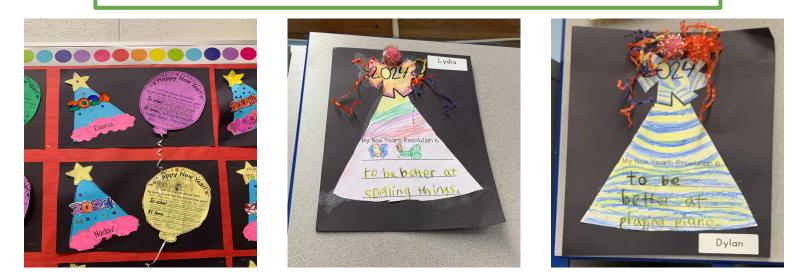


Happy New Year!

Our Kindergarten and 1st grade students have worked hard to come up with New Year's resolutions. Our students set goals that they felt they could accomplish such as helping their families more, reading more, practicing their instruments or sports and trying new foods.

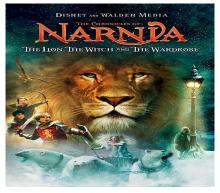


Learning and Loving It!



4th grade is a big transition, and the students have become pros at switching classes and staying on top of all of their assignments. The 4th grade teachers

are very proud of how hard the students have been working in each of their classes. In Reading, the students have been engaged in their Fantasy Unit! Ms. Chabora and Mrs. Lefer's classes are reading Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis. The book is keeping the 4th graders in suspense, and each day, the students are dying to read more. Each Language Arts class is also looking at the character traits of the book's characters and are practicing using text evidence to support those traits.



In Writing, the 4th graders have been working on an informational New Year's essay. The students are using skills they have learned so far this year such as strong hooks, figurative language, compound sentences, and thesis statements to write about their New Year's resolutions. Some popular resolutions the students have mentioned are improving in a sport, working harder in school to achieve better grades, and being a better friend.

After an exciting Career Day celebration, students truly realized the importance of mathematics in our everyday lives. We continue to work hard each day while making connections and answering the famous question, "Why do I need to know this?" After completing our most recent units on place value, multiplication and factors/multiples, we paused and concentrated on some Geometry. Students learned the difference and importance of the diameter and radius of a circle, the different names and classifications of polygons as well as lines and intersections. We then applied all geometric concepts to the creation of individual snowmen. Each student was tasked with developing a snowman using a list of geometric concepts as well as given the opportunity for extra credit shapes/objects. Each student created a unique scene for his/her snowman and labeled each term. We even used sticks, carrot noses and glitter!

Next up, is one of the most anticipated topics of the 4th grade math curriculum...Long division!

The students have been having fun exploring science, specifically regarding animals and human adaptations. We just finished our unit on the five geographic regions of the United States. This was an awesome unit which also correlates to the daily geography activities we do each week. Students completed the unit by creating a travel brochure for their specific region.

We are excited to move on to our new Science unit where we will investigate the science of sound. Students will construct physical devices to feel the vibrations that allow us to communicate across distances. Students also use digital devices to visualize the characteristics of different sound waves that cause us to hear different things.



January 12, 2024

Dear CRS and LLE Families,

Please take the time to read over everything and click on the links that are applicable.

- No School-Monday, January 15th
- **Colder Weather**-Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately for the cold weather especially because we do go out as much as possible for recess.
- **Student Health**-Let's all work together to help keep our schools a healthy place to learn and have fun. Encourage your children to wash their hands often. If your child is showing any symptoms that are concerning please keep them home. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to our school nurses.
- Preschool/Kindergarten Registration:
 - Preschool: If you are interested in enrolling your child in the preschool program for the 2024-2025 school year please contact Mrs. Rraci at CRS at 201-768-6060 ext. 51535.
 - Kindergarten: This will take place from January 16th-18th. Please contact Mrs. Rraci at CRS at 201-768-6060 ext. 51535 to make an appointment for one of those days.
 - If you know any new residents in town, encourage them to register their child for the 2024-2025 school year.

I hope that everyone enjoys the long weekend!

Sincerely, Mr. Frank J. Mazzini Principal