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WHAT SHOULD FAMILIES DO WITH MID-YEAR BENCHMARK SCORES?





This week we emailed home mid-year benchmark scores for each student. As you read through the benchmark scores, look for the following:

- **How much did my student grow academically**? If the growth was low, has my student been in school consistently? Has my student been completing homework? What has the teacher shared about how my student is doing in class?
- **Which learning areas are areas of strength for my student? Which areas are areas of relative weakness**? Do these areas of strength and weakness reflect areas of interest for the student (for example, does the student prefer fiction over nonfiction, or gravitate towards geometry)? Does the student engage in activities at home to work on areas of relative weakness? For example, do you play games as a family that incorporate math, or make a point of reading on a regular basis?

As you analyze the scores, write down the questions that you have, and share them with your teacher.
Additionally, here are some things that you can do at home to support academics:

- Read classroom newsletters, and ask open-ended questions about what students are learning in class
- Review work that is sent home with your student, and ask them to tell you what this work shows about what they are thinking and learning about at school
- Review homework and projects with your student
- Set aside time to read and to play games that incorporate math on a daily basis

IMPORTANT DATES & ITEMS TO NOTE

- 24 Feb: Pioneer 101: The FUNdamentals of REading, 5:30-6:30pm
- 24 Feb: Board of Trustees meeting
- 28 Feb: Teacher Appreciation Event
- 7-8 March: Pioneer Players, *The Little Mermaid*
- Summer Camp information
- Academic & Events Calendar
- Who to Contact and When
- Board meeting minutes

MEET OTHER PARENTS & SUPPORT PSCS AT OUR 26 OCTOBER WINGS PTO MEETING

Are you looking for a chance to make a difference at Pioneer Springs? Hoping to meet other families? Wondering what WINGS PTO is all about? Hang-out with WINGS at 9 am on Wednesday, the 26th of February. Check-in at the Castle. Questions? Email wings@pioneersprings.org.

PIONEER 101: THE FUNDAMENTALS OF READING







Join us from 5:30-6:30 pm on Monday, February 24 to explore the FUNdementals of reading. Reading is one of the most important skills that a child can learn. In this seminar, we will share resources for supporting reading at home. We will start with the basics–how children learn to connect letters to sounds, and will also present strategies to support reading comprehension, as well as how to nurture a love of reading.

Adults and children of all ages are welcome. Attendees are invited to bring a yummy treat to share! **Click here to rsvp, and to share the questions that you have**.

JOIN WINGS & SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION FOR PSCS



A message from WINGS: attention Middle School families...

We have an exciting event coming up on **Friday, February 28th**. Our Middle School families will be hosting the upcoming all staff teacher appreciation event. The theme for this event will be a yogurt and bagel bar.

We are kindly asking for Middle School families to sponsor this all staff appreciation event by donating supplies, food and/or volunteering (the sign up link is below). Thank you so much for helping to make this event a success. We appreciate all that you do!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094DACA62FA0FF2-54859655-yogurt

SAVE THE DATE...

Save the Date: Twilight Among the Azaleas Gallery Opening & Art Auction



The afternoon of Thursday, March 20, All Ages Art Gallery Opening, Silent Auction & Raffle

The evening of Friday, March 21, Adult Only Gala, Silent Auction & Raffle

Celebrate the arts at Pioneer Springs, bid on fabulous projects to take home, and socialize with Pioneer Springs families at Twilight Among the Azaleas Gallery Opening & Art Auction. Proceeds support fine arts education.

LEARN ABOUT OUR SUMMER CAMPS AND REGISTER TODAY







Summer camp registration is now open! Sign-up today to ensure that you have a spot!! From Camp PreOneer for rising Kindergarteners and First Graders to cooking and building camps, as well as camps exploring our National Parks, Milan, Tokyo and more! Our summer offerings are sure to excite wonder for students in preK through Sixth Grade.

Click here for more information and to register.