

An IB World School

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2023 - 2024 *Unity Starts With "U"*

CORETTA SCOTT KING MAGNET SCHOOL



Dear Coretta Scott King Families,

I hope that everyone has now settled into the new routines that always seem to come with the return of school. I am so excited to be back in the full swing of things! I would like to thank everyone who assisted their student in participating in our school wide activities on the International Day of Peace. If you have not already done so, please go onto our school website to see our school wide aerial photo.



On Monday, October 2, we will honor over 40 students at a doughnut and juice breakfast with the Principal, Assistant Principal, and IB Coordinator. These students have been recognized by their classroom teacher for exhibiting September's IB Learner Profile of the Month- Inquirers. Thursday, October 5 is Picture Day. Students may be out of uniform on this day. Progress reports for 1st through 5th grade students will be sent home on Friday, October 6. School will not be in session on Monday, October 9 in observance of Indigenous People's Day and students will be released for an early dismissal on Friday, October 20 and Tuesday, October 31.

Save the date! On Monday, October 30 we will be partnering with our PTO and hosting a family evening event *Trunk or Treat*. We are currently looking for volunteers to decorate their cars and hand out candy. More details will be coming out soon.

All elementary schools within Crete Monee School District 201-U will now be hosting our annual harvest parties on Tuesday, October 31 during the school day. These parties were originally scheduled at CSK on November 17, but will now be moved to October 31. If you are interested in volunteering for your student's classroom party, please contact your student's teacher directly. More information about our classroom harvest parties will be shared with you by your student's classroom teacher in the coming weeks.



I have always believed that if you show me an involved parent, I can show you a well-rounded and successful student. As the school year progresses, I strongly encourage you to spend time talking with your child about school each day, to consistently communicate with your child's teacher, to regularly monitor your child's performance on Skyward Family Access, and to attend as many school events as possible.

At any time throughout the school year, I invite you to contact me if you ever have any questions or concerns, or if there is anything that we can do to ensure that your child has a positive educational experience.

Go Eagles!

Mr. Bryon Mane





The IB News:

International Day of Peace “Action for Peace; #Global Goals”

On Wednesday, September 21, CSK once again recognized the United Nations' International Day of Peace. Students learned about the 17 Global Goals and created a classroom book to be shared in our inquiry center. We created peace poles that are “linked in kindred spirit to the 250,000+ peace poles planted worldwide.” Once we have these peace poles stationed and situated, we will share photos. We were all excited to continue our tradition of the International Day of Peace aerial photo:

The 2023 International Day of Peace at Coretta Scott King Magnet School



We encourage our families and community to learn more about the UN's 17 Global Goals! Take action!!!
globalgoals.org



CSK'S PROGRAM OF INQUIRY (POI):



Each month in our newsletter, we will share what grade levels are inquiring about during their unit of inquiry. This allows you to see how the six IB Transdisciplinary Themes are addressed at each grade level.

Grade level countries are learning through these units of inquiry during the month of **October**:

Grade Level	IB Transdisciplinary Theme	Unit Title	Central Idea <i>(big idea that is assessed)</i>
Kindergarten	How We Express Ourselves	If You're Happy and You Know It	People communication feelings and emotions in different ways.
First	How We Organize Ourselves	If I Were in Charge	People need rules to live together.
Second	How the World Works	Don't Rock the Boat!	Outside forces often cause changes in balance and motion.
Third	Who We Are	Home is Where the Heart Is	Communities meet personal and physical needs of their members.
Fourth	Who We Are	Stylish Learners	Interests, talents, and learning styles reflect the uniqueness of individuals.
Fifth	Who We Are	Who Do You Think You Are?	Each member of a learning community has unique beliefs and perspectives.



Battle of the Books 2023-2024

Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Students



It is with great excitement that we kick off Battle of the Books for our Coretta Scott King Magnet School Family! Last year, we returned BOTH the 3rd/4th grade and the 5th grade trophy to our CSK Inquiry Center after taking first place in both competitions! We hope to defend the titles and keep the trophies yet again!!!



Description: *Battle of the Books (BoB) is an academic-based competition that has been very successful in school districts throughout the state in encouraging students to read a wide range of children's literature. Students are asked to read a variety of books and recall information about the plots, characters, and settings. Students will be on teams of 6 or 7 readers and will together complete the reading list. The competition reading list includes 12 books that are available in both school and public libraries. Books on the list are at varying levels of difficulty.*

The Crete Public Library sponsors our CSK Battle of the Books for students in third through eighth grades. There are three separate tournaments: third/fourth grade, fifth/sixth grade, and seventh/eighth grade. Students will receive information about joining the Battle Teams during the month of October.

Please mark your calendars:

 The competition for 5th grade will be held on the evening of:
— **Wednesday, April 10 from 5:30-8:00 p.m.**

 The competition for 3rd-4th grade will be held on the evening of:
— **Wednesday, April 17 from 5:30-8:00 p.m.**



Looking for Daytime Volunteers!!

We are thrilled to be able to have parent/adult helpers back into our CSK halls again this year! Ms. Bruns is excited to have parents again helping to coach our BoB teams and is eagerly ready to help organize and teach new coaches to lead the way!

If you love to read, and if you enjoy a little healthy competition, coaching a Battle of the Books team might be the job for you! You must have a completed district background check in order to meet with students. If you are interested in volunteering your time to coach a Battle of the Books team or would simply like more information about what this involves, please contact Mrs. Bruns at 367-4703 or at brunss@cm201u.org. The students are ready and excited to get started, let's find coaches to lead them to another win!!!



CSK in ACTION- Coming Soon!!!!

Being an IB school means that we take action to make a difference in our world. Each trimester, we have an action plan that helps us, as a school family, make change and impact our local and global community. Keep an eye out for our first fall action plan! Details will be sent home soon!!

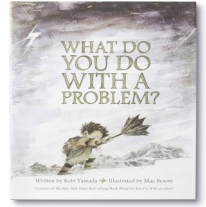
Important School Information

PBIS Cool Tool

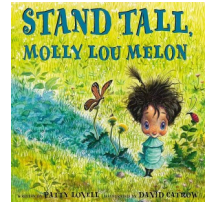
Positive Behavior Interventions and Support



Our September Cool Tool focused on the IB learner profile of Thinker and the IB attitudes of Curiosity and enthusiasm. The students talked about how they feel when they have a problem. They then read the story, *What Do You Do With a Problem?* The students, along with the teacher, created positive affirmations to use when they would come across a problem.



During the month of October, we will be focusing on the Learner Profile trait of Communicator, and the Cool Tool lesson focus will be Respect and Confidence. Students will listen to the story *Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon* by Patti Lovell. Using a restorative circle, the students will discuss how respect was or was not shown to Molly Lou Melon, and the ways that Molly Lou Melon showed confidence.



IMSA Fusion is an after school club that provides high-achieving math and science students with opportunities to have more experiences in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) fields. Students who were selected have received invitations to join and will begin meeting on Thursday, October 5, so if you haven't returned the forms, please do so soon!

This year IMSA Fusion members will be diving into the fun and exciting world of chemistry with the You Be the Judge unit.



CSK Magnet Yearbook for 2023-2024 School Year

This year's yearbook will be available at a reduced price! We'll still have a beautiful, full-color yearbook, but we'll be using Josten's this year to keep the costs down to \$15 each. Yearbooks can be ordered online soon. Look for more information going home with students soon!



OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER



- 🎃 Monday, **October 2**: Learner Profile Breakfast—9:25 am
- 🎃 Thursday, **October 5**: Fall Picture Day (non-uniform day)
- 🎃 Friday, **October 6**: BLUE & GOLD/School Spirit Day
- 🎃 Friday, **October 6**: Student Progress Reports Sent Home
- 🎃 Monday, **October 9**: NO School—Indigenous People's Day
- 🎃 Thursday, **October 12**: School Store
- 🎃 Friday, **October 20**: 12:15 pm Early Dismissal/School Improvement Day
- 🎃 Tuesday, **October 31**: Classroom Harvest Parties
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Red Ribbon Week and Bullying Prevention Awareness

As Internationally-minded learners at an IB school, we are always looking for ways to take action to make a difference in our world. Red Ribbon Week is a time to reflect on how our actions and choices affect ourselves and others. Please join us in recognizing SPIRIT WEEK, October 23-27th, to become more knowledgeable in our drug and bully prevention week at CSK!

CSK Eagles Spirit Week!

Monday, October 23



Be proud to be YOU! Think for yourself and take pride in being an EAGLE.
BE AN INQUIRER! DRESS IN SCHOOL COLORS!

Be assertive and speak up for what is right!

Video: Stop, Walk, and Talk (SWAT)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BUxOpxI97lq>

Tuesday, October 24



Use your KNOWLEDGE for GOOD, Represent your favorite SUPERHERO.

BE A THINKER!

I Am a Super H.E.R.O: Hard worker. Empathetic. Respectful. Original.

"I am RED-y to be the BEST me!"

Video: What I Am

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cyVzjoj96vs>

Wednesday, October 25



Teaming up against Bullying and Teasing! **BE CARING!**

Dress in your FAVORITE SPORTS Shirt or Jersey!

'Orange' you glad you're not alone? Together we can unite against bullying and peer pressure, and stand up for kindness, acceptance and inclusion.

Video: The Power of Teamwork

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vtXKQO+NWPg>

Thursday, October 26



Celebrating our differences with MIX IT UP, **BE A RISK TAKER!**

MIX AND MATCH CLOTHES DAY!

Take pride in being YOU-nique and celebrate our differences!

Video: Partly Cloudy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7DmLkugdh9s>

Friday, October 27



Making Safe and Healthy choices/ Say No to peer pressure, **BE PRINCIPLED!**
WEAR RED DAY!

Be responsible--follow your dreams not others. Think for yourself, do what is right, and stand up to negative peer pressure!

Video: For the Birds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AkFuvTHaMUE>

Bonus Video (optional): Expect Respect (to song Brave)

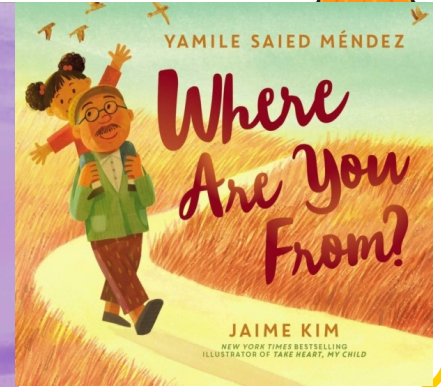
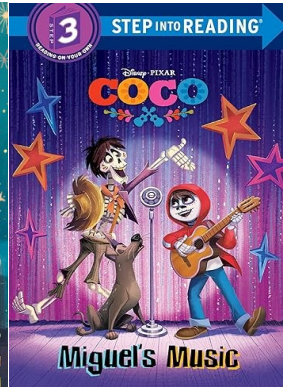
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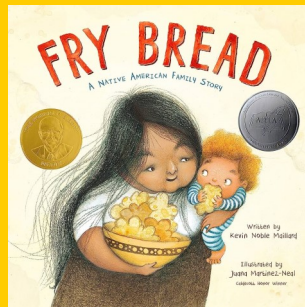
Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 ~ October 15

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.



Indigenous Peoples' Day



Indigenous Peoples' Day is celebrated on the second Monday of October to honor the cultures and histories of the Native American people.

The day is centered around reflecting on their tribal roots and the tragic stories that hurt but strengthened their communities.

Fry Bread is an award-winning picture book that centers around the love and warmth of family and food—all the while exploring what it means to grow up Native.



.....a few simple tips on how to help your child have a successful school year:

- ✓ **RESOLVE** to find a 'spot' in your home, label it "Homework Corner" and carve out quiet time so your child can focus and study without interruption.
- ✓ **TALK** to your child about school, friends and goals. Ask them specific questions like 'What was the best part of your day?' 'Tell me something you learned today!'
- ✓ **ENCOURAGE** self-discipline and let your child know that they are responsible for *their* own actions.
- ✓ **REWARD** determination, it leads to progress and let your child know that hard work pays off.

The time you spend with your child today may help shape their values tomorrow.

"The most valuable possession you can own is an open heart. The most powerful weapon you can be is an instrument of peace."

Carlos Santana,
Mexican-American Guitarist



IB Learner Profile 'Novel' Students of the Month

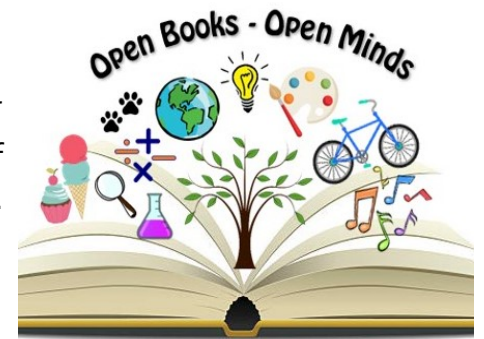


Each month, students are nominated by their classroom teacher to be Inspiring Internationally-Minded Individuals for showing the IB Learner Profile. Congratulations to our students who were chosen for showing the IB Learner Profile attribute of **Inquirer** for the month of **September**. The following students were treated to a breakfast by Mr. Mane, Mrs. Roberts, and Mrs. Bruns for their efforts.

Demetrius Knox ~ Parker Mayes ~ Erick Middleton ~ Micah Baugh
Harper Bostrom ~ Edward Graves ~ Karysma Robins
Ahdia Farrakhan-Buford ~ Khilan Washington ~ Riyah Harvey
Kamila Gonzalez-Mendez ~ Isabella Tafolla ~ Courtney Jones
Ayomide Norman ~ Jordyn Washington ~ Caleb Hall ~ Bailey Sanders
Kaelyn Castile ~ Jackson Morris ~ Audrey Stolzenbach
Aureni Lagunas ~ Malia Copeland ~ Anissah Roberson
Joshua Watkins ~ Tristan Anderson ~ Oscar Foster
Jordan Johnson ~ Latoya Ajidade ~ Matthias Baugh
Josiah McCree ~ Harmoni Wilson ~ Nora Seifert ~ Josiah Roberson

Novel Readers of the Month

The following students have been chosen by their classroom teacher as a Reader of the Month for the month of **September**. The award of a non-uniform pass is given based upon the student's reading habits. This non-uniform pass must be used during the 2023-2024 school year.



Congratulations to CSK's Readers of the Month!

Zakhia Sanders ~ Hunter Gill ~ Nathan Wattman
Khloe Nunn ~ Isaiah White ~ Desmond Wolak
Seneca Woodson ~ McKenzie Pope ~ Oluwatayo Ajiboye
Leah Servick ~ Zoey Barczak ~ Messiah Nix ~ Jamel Beck
Alea Knight ~ Coraun Patrick ~ Arielle Avant
Kaden Richardson ~ Noah Harrigan ~ Alaina Roberson
Genesis Aguirre ~ Tae'Jon Posey-Johnson
Owen Pointer ~ Aubrianna Chapman ~ Jayceon Tolbert
Dani Kemp ~ Ashari Wilson ~ Carina Gerck
Asim Farrakhan-Buford ~ Kayden Niles ~ Naomi Pratt

