

Terrific Track 3



What's going on in class?

If you haven't already, please join Remind. We communicate daily with families using this app, including notifications when kiddos do not complete their Homework. Scroll down for info on how to join your child's HOMEROOM Remind group. You do not need to join both groups.

Reading (Sullivan)- In Reading this week, we closely examined 2 different articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and made great connections to what we are reading in Esperanza Rising. On Thursday the students had an assessment on Main Idea and Summarizing one of the articles. Next week we will move into preparing for a text based discussion that ties both the UDHR and Esperanza together again.

Math (Trainor)- Q*bert has been our host this week as we explore the concept of volume of rectangular prisms! We learned two methods for determining the volume of these 3-D shapes. Next week we will calculate the volume of composite shapes- always a challenging portion of this unit, so it is extra important that the kiddos complete their homework every night, and ask questions when they are confused. I have assigned OPTIONAL Volume videos and practice problems in Khan Academy for those families who would like extra practice with this concept. If you have not yet joined Khan Academy, here's how you can access these valuable materials:

1. Go to www.khanacademy.org
2. Click on Log In
3. Decide if you would like to do a Learner or Parent account
4. Enter DOB
5. Sign up with email or students can sign up using Google and use his/her Wake ID
6. Once on your child's Profile Page, click on the Coaches tab
7. Enter class code GXM7A89S.

Social Studies (Trainor)- The Quarter 2 unit will be studying Civics & Government.

Science (Trainor) - This week we met Max Axiom, Super Scientist. We are using his Forces & Motion graphic novel to help us better understand the concepts in our Science unit. Today vocabulary posters are coming home. I've asked the kiddos to hang the posters somewhere in their house where they will be easily viewable for the next few weeks.... on the fridge, in their bedroom, on the bathroom mirror.... wherever they can be easily reminded to practice these

words & definitions. And, as a reminder, Homework now includes one Science article (with 8 questions to answer) per week. This is assigned on Mondays and is due on Fridays. It is posted in Google Classroom, although I do provide paper copies for students who do not have access to a device at home.

Specials for the Week of 8/26/19

Day of the Week	Ms. Trainor's Class	Miss Sullivan's Class
Monday	Science *Students should report directly to the Science room in the morning, NOT Homeroom.	Counselor *Students should report directly to the OUR CLASSROOM in the morning. Ms. Geiss will be there for their arrival.
Tuesday	STEM	Science
Wednesday	PE	STEM
Thursday	Music	PE
Friday	Art	Music

Important Dates and Reminders:

Please join your child's homeroom teacher's **Remind** classroom so you can get text message updates and communicate quickly with your child's teacher.

- Miss Sullivan's class code: remind.com/join/7d8fdg3 or text @7d8fdg3 to the number 81010
- Ms. Trainor's class code: open your web browser on your smart phone and go to [rmd.at/6ae9a89](https://remind.com/join/6ae9a89) or text the message @6ae9a89 to the number 81010.

Please join both Google Classrooms so that you & your child can access in-class assignments and homework help/ study guides. Make sure that your child shows you how to log in to our Google Classrooms!

- Miss Sullivan's class code: k9he4ye
- Ms. Trainor's class code: m9awgro

DC Field Trip Updates

The trip is Thursday, October 3- Friday, October 4.

FINAL PAYMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS AND CHAPERONES IS DUE FRIDAY, AUGUST 30th!

Parent Info Session Thursday, September 5 at 6:00 pm & Friday, September 6 at 8:00 am. These are the same presentation, so you only need to attend one.

Please email or message us via Remind if your child has any dietary restrictions.

Arlington Essays will be due on *Friday, August 30th*. Details about the essay and experience are posted in Miss Sullivan's and Ms. Trainor's Google Classrooms.

BYOD begins on September 3rd

We are trying to do as much with technology as we can this year and the more devices we have, the more we can get done. We are lucky to have a handful of Chromebooks in our classrooms but obviously the more we have, the more we can do. Thank you!!

AIG Nomination Window ends Sept. 3rd

If you would like your student considered for AIG testing they must first be nominated. This parent nomination must be in writing. It can be a handwritten note to their teacher or an email indicating you want them nominated. All nominations must be received by 4:15 on the last day of the nomination window. This allows us to prepare testing materials properly and schedule the needed testing sessions. First, we must schedule a School Based Committee for Gifted Education (SBCGE) meeting. At this meeting all nominations are discussed and the decision about whether testing is appropriate is made by the committee for each nominee. After that

meeting, all testing materials are ordered and prepared individually for each student that will be testing. A testing schedule is then set up and parent reminders are created. *Students can only be tested once during a full calendar year. If your student was tested in the spring of 2019 they cannot be tested again until the spring of 2020.* *AIG testing for grades 4 and 5 only occurs two times a year. Once in the fall and once in the spring.*
There will be no nominations accepted after the last day of the nomination window.

Fall 2019 Windows

AIG Nomination Window - Fall - Grades 4/5 T2, 3, 4 - July 9th - September 3rd
AIG Testing Window - Fall - Grades 4/5 T2 3, 4 - TBD

Spring 2020 Windows

AIG Nomination Window - Spring - Grades 4/5 T1, 2, 3 - July 9th - January 6th
AIG Testing Window - Spring - Grades 4/5 T1, 2, 3 - TBD

Tadpoles in Science Special! (a message from Ms. Turner, the Science Specialist)

A school community neighbor reached out to me and asked if we would like to provide a temporary home to about 10 growing tadpoles. I would love to have this animal exhibit in the science classroom for students to observe the tadpoles as they grow into adulthood. Students will only be observing the tadpoles. I will be handling all the other responsibilities of these cool creatures (feeding, cleaning, etc.). The permission slip is attached to your weekly homeroom newsletter email. Parents, please print and return this form only do **NOT** want your child to participate.

*Carrie Oliver Turner
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NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 9/2

Happy Labor Day!

Fall School Photos

Make-ups October 9

Wish Lists

Ms. Trainor's Wishlist:	Miss Sullivan's Wishlist:
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<p>Wobble stools (16.5-24")</p> <p>Nap pads (we will use them for flexible seating)</p> <p>Umbrellas</p> <p>Newton's Cradle</p> <p>Rulers</p> <p>Scissors (not the smaller safety scissors- our are ready for larger ones!)</p>	<p>Trampoline chairs</p> <p>Colorful Expo Markers</p> <p>Beach or Camp chairs</p> <p>Febreze Plug-ins</p> <p>Quart sized ziploc bags</p>
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