



Adams Update February 8, 2019

Words are singularly the most powerful force available to humanity.
- Yehuda Burg

Congratulations to all of the Adams Battle of the Books teams for participating, reading and writing for the first Battle of the Books written battle. Best of luck to the following teams who will be participating in round two:

Atomic Book Slayers 2.0: Anya Stachowiak, Callum Palmiter, Caleb Katzinger, Drew Thornton, Jacoby Lind, Jonas Lipovsky, Priya Ghose

The Big Friendly Book Worms: Shawn Wilson, Seth Gestida, Christian Harshbarger, Daniel Gabriel, Carter English, Cameron Cochran, Wesley Post, Ethan Clark

Los Lectores Locos (The Crazy Readers): Luke Vandebossche, Erick Baczewski, Jackson Moyers, Luke James, Sai Thamminana, Yassin Elsaadany

Ravenclaw: Grace Goodell, Abigail Steele, Audrey McLaughlin, Isabella Monville, Stephanie Haskett, Rachel Marcellis



This week was a wonderful opportunity to introduce new families to Adams. Our **kindergarten** orientation on Tuesday was very well-attended. It was exciting to be able to share Adams with the many new families that will be joining our school next year.

Girls on the Run registration is now open. This opportunity is for girls in grades 3-5. Please see the attached document for more details.

The Noisy Paintbrush by Mrs. DuLude:



In preparation for March Is Reading Month, in the art room we have started to study **Doctor Seuss** as an illustrator. We have looked at his illustration style and certain characteristics of his characters in his books. For example, we have noticed that in most of his books he only uses two colors to illustrate, leaving a lot of his characters or areas in his illustrations white. In class, we also realized that a lot of his characters show implied texture (texture that is shown through light black

lines that imply a texture). In most of his characters that we will be inspired by, we are using those same types of lines. So, in the coming weeks please look out for characters from *Horton Hears a Who*, *the Cat in the Hat*, *Sneetches*, and some colorful fish.

While most of the grades are looking at Dr. Seuss, **5th grade** will be participating in China Art. In this is program set up through 4-H, students will be illustrating a place in Michigan to send to an art pen-pal in China. I'm excited to see how our 5th graders will picture Michigan to our new friends on the other side of the world.

Second graders will also be participating in a special project only for 2nd grade. They will be creating *Make Midland Beautiful* artwork, which will be judged. One special second grader will get to represent Adams school at a city-wide meeting and their picture will be broadcast on MCTV. They are super excited, and I can't wait to see their finished artwork.

We have clay projects and weaving coming up in the months ahead. Thank you for all of the donations to the art room this year! Because of our need to begin packing up everything for renovations, I am only requesting donations of egg cartons and yogurt containers through the rest of the school year. Thank you!

PTO:

Our next **Box Top** collection has begun. Please turn them in with your student's teacher. All Box Tops are due by February 22nd.

Author's Day is coming! Jonathan Rand, the author of *American Chillers*, *Michigan Chillers*, *Freddie Fernortner* and *Dollar Store Danny* will be at Adams on March 19th. Details to follow!

As a reminder, we have **several open positions** for the **2019/20 school year**. Please contact Kim Baczewski at kbaczewski@gmail.com with questions or interest.

- **Board Positions:** President, Treasurer
- **Committee Positions:** Restaurant Nights, Book Fair Co-Chair, Carnival Chair and Co-Chair, Hospitality Co-Chair, Fundraising Committee

Adams PTO Coin Drive:

Next week is our final week for our coin drive!

Please bring your extra change as we raise money with
“Many Hands Helping Mrs. May”

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| • Monday - 2/11 | PENNIES |
| • Tuesday - 2/12 | NICKELS |
| • Wednesday - 2/13 | DIMES |
| • Thursday - 2/14 | QUARTERS |
| • Friday - 2/15 | DOLLAR BILLS |



Have a wonderful weekend! ☺

Linda

Upcoming Events:

- February 14 Valentines Parties
- February 15 Spirit Day - Formal Attire Day
- February 23 Paddleton Tournament (9:00; 4th grade at MHS, 5th grade at HH DOW)
- February 28 Second Grade Concert (9:00am)
- March 4 PTO Meeting (6:00pm)
- March 6 Parent/Teacher Conferences (5:00-8:00)
- March 8 Half Day of Instruction: Students Dismissed at 11:51
- March 10 3rd Graders Perform with Gemini at Creative 360 (1:00pm)
- March 11 Spring Pictures
- March 14 4th Grade Recorder Concert (7:00pm)
- March 15 Adams Read-A-Thon
- March 19 Jonathan Rand – Author Visit
- March 22 End of Marking Period
- March 23-31 NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK!