



# Obama Magnet School

## Fourth Grade Newsletter

Week of January 9-19, 2024

### Student Reflections

What does it mean to be caring or a communicator to you?



*To be a communicator means to express myself through talking. I am a communicator when I get bothered by my classmates. I speak with them to let them know they are bothering me and I thank them when they stop. That is one way I am a communicator*

-Juleigh Wilson,  
Ms. Evans' class

*A time I had to be caring was when I helped my classmate with her reading homework. I love to read books and my classmate does not. I sometimes help her when she is struggling to find the answer after school.*

-Kaileah Anthony,  
Mrs. Brown's class

### **Skills and Assessments**

**Reading/Language:** Scholars will read historical, scientific, and technical texts and explain what happened and why. Scholars will identify and explain the text structure the author uses.

**Math:** Scholars will be adding and subtracting mixed numbers with like denominators and by replacing each mixed number with an equivalent fraction. Students will use properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction. .

**Social Studies:** Examine the rights and freedoms given to citizens.

**Science:** Scholars will plan and conduct scientific investigations to test how different variables affect the properties of sound.

**Spanish:** Personality adjectives , leaders around the world (Cesar Chavez, Ellen Ochoa, Roberto Clemente)

**Assessments:** Math, ELA, Formative

### **Save the Date**

January 9 - Students Return

January 15 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

### **Resources on the Web**

[iReady Learning Path](#)

[Khan Academy](#)

### [Xtra Math](#)

Visit the [JPS EdTech](#) page to access digital learning resources. Check out the resources available in your scholar's Clever account.

### **Current Unit of Inquiry**

**Transdisciplinary theme**

Where we are in place and time

**Central idea**

*Learning about our place in the world in relation to others enhances our global perspective.*

**Key concepts**

**Connection, Perspective, Change**

**Related concepts**

behavior, consequences, initiative

**Lines of inquiry:**

- Representations of place through time
- The impact of significant events
- The interconnectedness of our region to other places

### **Featured Learner Profile Attribute**

**COMMUNICATORS:** As IB learners, we express ourselves confidently and creatively in more than one language and in many ways. We collaborate effectively, listening carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.

**CARING:** IB learners show empathy, compassion, and respect. We have a commitment to service, and we act to make a positive difference in the lives of others and in the world around us.

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