



Staff Update

December 14, 2018

Better Today than Yesterday, Better Tomorrow than Today.

PURPOSE

Grateful

1-I love coming to work with all of you each day, but I am GRATEFUL that we are coming up on a break! We work hard and we've earned it!

2-Linda Zorich and Mary Honse--you all might not know this but we have been on the brink of fail to fill for classroom teachers MANY time this week. We often call on Linda and Mary at the last minute and they step up and help us!

3-Whitney Gorbett and the Green Teamers-Thanks to Whitney for so passionately heading up our composting initiative and for empower our 5th graders to lead the charge in the cafeteria!

Spirit Week

-STAFF MEETING FRIDAY, DEC 21 8AM-BREAKFAST FROM JACKI

DR. M WILL BE THERE-Don't be late-breakfast will be ready by 7:50am



Tech Update from Jim

Kindergarten - Looking at app Classkick to use as an exit ticket tool. Celebrating Apple Classroom and for finding an online spinner that students can customize and add to their iPad home screen.

1st - Every kid is up and running with Google. Team Drives and individual folders shared with teachers. Starting to add more digital choice. Shared Accessibility feature of "Speak Selection" (See Resources)

2nd - Continue to celebrate success with Team Drives and utilize Canvas quizzes and discussions to give feedback and allow a variety of submission choices.

3rd - Scheduling Digital Portfolios using Spark, Celebrated using Spark Video to share with parents and hoping to have kids help create the Spark video each week.

4th - Focused on improving quality work, digital citizenship, Using BookSnaps with Signposts, and Canvas.

5th - Wall of student digital portfolio's using QRcodeMonkey, coding using code.org, and getting all students library cards to access Libby app.

Resources

QR Code Creator - <https://www.qrcode-monkey.com/> - Shared during 5th grades meeting by Whitney to create QR codes of different colors, looks, and even put pictures in them to help

others identify where they go. Perfect for sharing our Digital Portfolios with an authentic audience.

Online Spinner - <http://www.superteachertools.us/spinner/> - "Once Ss are here, tap Sharrow, + home screen, Add." BOOM, done!

Accessibility - Speak Selection - Did you know the iPad can read anything to you aloud that is on your screen? This is great for researching, ELL students, students who struggle to read, visually impaired, or even audible learners. Settings>Accessibility>Speech>Swipe over button "Speak Selection".

ElfYourself Videos: [Kindergarten](#), [First](#), [Second](#), [Third](#), [Fourth](#), [Fifth](#)

[R Factor for December---Let me know when you're ready for your quiz](#)

December R Factor Theme--Press Pause, Get your Mind Right, Step Up (R1, R2, R3)

Here are the [K-2 Lessons](#)

Here are the [3-5 Lessons](#)

There are so many important things in these plans! Please take the time to build understanding with your kids!

[Twitter!](#)

I love your tweets! Keep up the great work! When you tweet please add

#jwreason to all of your tweets. This will create a "digital file folder" of all of your tweets so that we can easily access them to share our story.

We can still add other hashtags as well like:

#jwrfactor

#jwyou

But always include **#jwreason**

[Texting](#)

Remember-we cannot TEXT parents!

[No Photo List](#)

No photo lists are up to date and hanging outside of rooms with no photo children.

[What's on the calendar:](#)

December 17-Spec Ed Department Meeting

December 19-½ Day K Data Team in AM

December 21-Staff Meeting 8AM--BREAKFAST FROM JACKI-DON'T BE LATE-DR. M WILL BE THERE!)

Sing Along 1:45 in gym

Holiday Parties 2:15-3:15

December 24-January 4-NO SCHOOL

January 7-School Resumes

R Factor Assembly-Assembly Schedule

PTO

January 8-Media/Tech Planning

January 10-Mini Math Data Teams-ALL DAY

January 11-Staff Meeting 8am

JW YOU resumes---2nd rotation of 6 weeks

