# The Addams Advantage



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## Important Updates....

## January 2, 2014

- As a reminder, our students go outside for recess daily unless the temperature and/or wind chill is 15 degrees or below. Please make certain your child has appropriate clothing for outdoor play; boots, hats, snow pants and mittens are encouraged.
- The Addams Staff has recently created new websites to provide our learning community with the most current information regarding classroom procedures, curriculum, homework, and special events. Please make sure to visit classroom websites frequently to stay informed <a href="https://www.royaloakschools.org">www.royaloakschools.org</a> Find Addams under Elementary Schools, click on Staff Directory on the far right, look for your child's teacher.

**Addams Mission**: Addams Elementary will ensure each student's success through best practice, ongoing assessment, effective interventions and continuous communication with our stakeholders.

## Looking Ahead...

## Principal's Perspective

#### **January**

2<sup>nd</sup> School Resumes

7<sup>th</sup> PTA Reflections Celebration 6:30 pm Media Center

8th Late Start for students 9:20 am

13th PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm

15th Late Start for students 9:20 am

20th MLK Day- No School

22<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Concert 7:00

28<sup>th</sup> Talent Show Rehearsal 5:30 -8:00 ROMS

31st Talent Show 6:30-8:30 ROMS

### **February**

5th Late Start for students 9:20 am

7th Daddy/Daughter Dance 7:00 pm

10th PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm

19th-21st Mid-Winter Recess

24th School Resumes

26th Late Start for students 9:20 am

Dear Addams Families.

Welcome Back and Happy New Year! I hope this past holiday season was filled with happy times and cherished memories with your family and friends were created. We are excited to continue our learning with only 4 weeks left in the second card marking. Now is the time for students to be checking in with their teachers regarding any missing assignments or upcoming projects that will require additional time and/or support. Our goal is learning success for all; however, this can only be accomplished through ongoing communication and hard work!

During the month of January, teachers will be completing AIMSweb Screening to monitor literacy and math development in grades k-5. During our Late Start Wednesday's, this data will be discussed with grade level teams where adjustments in intervention strategies will be made to support learning for all students.

Our Positive Behavior Support Committee (PBIS) is making plans for a student led workshop on Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:30-10:15. The Addams Learning Community will view and participate in skits prepared for the students by our Student Senate Leaders. During this time, we will review our behavior expectations for our building, identify inappropriate behavior and practice desired outcomes in various settings.

We are proud of the work of our PBIS Committee and Student Senate Leaders in facilitating this important learning experience for Addams Elementary. We plan to record our morning of learning together and upon completion, will insert a link on our website for families to view.

Finally, we look forward to continued growth and new learning adventures in 2014. We greatly appreciate the parental support of this outstanding learning community; together we continue to soar! Sincerely, Jane





