



GOODRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Community Newsletter

April 2018

An International Baccalaureate World School

LEARNER PROFILE Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for demonstrating our March Learner Profile of the Month - **BALANCED!**

- Kobe Kunert** (Mrs. Buckroyd)
- Briseis Hernandez** (Mr. Arreola)
- Devyn Sam** (Mr. Flesch)
- Shanee Said** (Mrs. Robinson)
- Jacquelyn Diaz** (Mr. Greene)
- Lillie Mahaffey** (Mr. Short)
- Nyathak Nam** (Mr. Houser)
- Isabella Apolonio** (Mrs. Kockler)
- Makhani Searcy** (Ms. Fallbacher)
- Makhani Searcy** (Mrs. Harrigan)
- Joslan Ferguson** (Mrs. Kitt)
- Kenny Hollins** (Ms. Aduddell)
- Elana Cummings** (Mr. Lowe)
- Trinity Cheatom** (Mr. Galvin)
- Ty Cooper** (Mr. Walling)
- Emma Rounds** (Mr. Brown)
- Trinity Cheatom** (Ms. Shepherd)
- Lillian Garcia** (Mrs. Tollari)
- Sir Ron Brown** (Mrs. Harmon)
- Serenity Smith** (Mr. Collins)
- Isabella Oldes** (Mrs. Knobloch)
- Lynnsey Lynch** (Mr. Manson)

LEARNER PROFILE --APRIL

During the month of April, we will be focused on

COMMUNICATOR.

Students demonstrating the communicator learner profile attribute express themselves confidently and creatively in more than one language and in many ways. They collaborate effectively and listen carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.



If you would like to nominate a community member (families, teachers, support staff, etc.), please email or call Christy Kuhl and identify the person/people and the actions they take that make them a "rock star" communicator!

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A glimpse into GMS . . .

6TH GRADE INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES

Students have taken on the role of explorers and are diving into what life was like in ancient Europe. Throughout the ancient civilizations unit, students will look at the culture, innovations and impact of geography of several civilizations including the Sumerians, Greeks, Romans, Mayans, Aztecs, and more!



7TH GRADE MATH Students are working hard to solve problems containing inequalities. Our math teachers are scaffolding equations to push students beyond their current comfort level and expanding their thinking. Students work through solving mathematical equations as well as tackling real-world problems using their math expertise.

8TH GRADE SCIENCE Students are learning about all about the stars. Students are working towards creating a model that represents the relationship between a stars color, temperature, and size. 8th grader Trinity shared that in order to be successful in science, you've got to be willing to ask questions and work hard.

MR. POWER'S CLASS



Students are focused on being communicators while building their community! Mr. Power's students, along with Mrs. Clancy, have been engaging in activities that

push students to communicate verbally using complete sentences, practice a variety of mental math skills, and get to know each other.

7TH GRADE FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE

7th graders who haven't experienced FCS yet this year are just starting the course. This year, the focus will be on proper nutrition, kitchen and food safety and food preparation. Safety and food preparation, often a favorite for students, is the opportunity to put their math and cooking skills to the test and actually prepare meals.



Global Contexts @ GMS

Global Contexts provide a common language across GMS for content learning to be pushed beyond the walls of the classroom and into the world. Providing learning through the lens of the Global Contexts invite reflection on local, national, and global communities, as well as the real-life issues and concerns of our students. All learning at GMS is explored through one of the following lenses:

- Fairness and development
- Identities and relationships
- Orientation in space and time
- Personal and cultural expression
- Scientific and technical innovation
- Globalization and sustainability

More to come in our next newsletter on the Global Contexts in action!