



The Door

Stellar Academy for Dyslexics – Unlocking the Door of Language

Friday, December 9, 2016

What is going on in Math class?



You may be hearing through the grapevine that math class has been a little unusual lately. For the last several sessions, Mrs. Roberts has been teaching all of the

students as one group in a Making Math Real Unit on time. You may remember that all of our teachers are being trained on this multi-sensory structured method of teaching called Making Math Real.

The concepts of time and money are often very difficult for dyslexic people. Making Math Real has a very effective way of teaching both time and money using multi-sensory structured methods.

Very soon students will be returning to their “normal” math groups. Sometime in the spring, we will conduct a similar Making Math Real unit on money.

Warmly,

Beth Mattsson-Boz6, Director

School Events Calendar

- ❖ Dec. 14,21 Hot lunch
- ❖ Dec. 15 Board Meeting-Date Change
- ❖ Dec. 20 Reading Buddies at Preschool
- ❖ Dec. 22-Jan. 6 NO SCHOOL

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- ❖ Jan. 9 School Resumes
 - ❖ Jan. 11, 18, 25 Hot lunch
 - ❖ Jan. 12 Professionals’ Visitor Day
 - ❖ Jan. 17 Board Meeting
 - ❖ Jan. 19 Bookmobile
 - ❖ Jan. 24 SF Symphony Trip
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News

BOWL-A-THON RESULTS

High score prizes were awarded to the highest scoring student in each Reading Group. Congratulations Ian Gaff, Nikolas Price, and Rylan Sampson.



Best Team Spirit prizes were awarded to Rylan Sampson, Armando Holmes-King, Nikolas Price, Tyler Smith, and Audrey Tai. Thanks for being so encouraging to others!

Three students **beat the director's average score** this year! I will be enjoying a special lunch at a restaurant with Cameron Krishna, Nikolas Price, and Rylan Sampson. What an honor for me. The class party prize will be awarded to the reading group that **raises the most money**. I will be able to announce the winner once all the pledges have been turned in.

If your child received **per-pin pledges** from friends and family, they should use their **average score** to calculate the amount owed to them.

Great job, students!



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EXPERIENCING DYSLEXIA® FLIER

Please share the flier attached to this newsletter with a friend. On Feb. 22, 2017, 9-11 am, Stellar will host the popular hands-on learning disabilities simulation called **Experience Dyslexia** developed by the Northern California Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (NCBIDA). It is for teachers, medical professionals, parents, and anyone interested in better understanding dyslexia. It is perfect for those who are NOT dyslexic, yet are curious about the processing confusions and distractions of the children they love and serve. Register online – www.stellaracademy.org or by calling Stellar. The cost is \$15.00 per person.



ADVANCE NOTICE - FIELD TRIP DATES

We have received dates for two field trips we have been waiting for. Please add these dates to your family calendar and consider planning ahead to join us as a chaperone.

Jan. 24 – SF Symphony

May. 8 – Intel Museum

LOWER RATE for SMALL GROUP TUTORING

The after school Dyslexia Tutor Center at Stellar is now offering small group tutoring at a lower group rate. The Tutor Center serves students of all ages who are not enrolled at Stellar Academy. Please help us spread the word.



INGENUITY & ELBOW GREASE

Stellar students are using ingenuity and elbow grease to gather donations to help others at Viola Blythe Community Service Center.



One student worked for a restaurant owner to raise money. Another student brought cupcakes to neighbors as an incentive/thank you for donating. Our barrel is filling up. Students are encouraged to spend their own money, earn extra money through chores or working for neighbors, asking neighbors for donations, and other creative ideas. Let's see how many items our student body can produce without raiding your pantry or wallet.

CURRENT ITEMS COUNT -- 75

Community Events Calendar

Share Bay Area family-friendly and dyslexia-related events from the community with other Stellar families.

FREE Parent Classes, Children's Health Council, Palo Alto (650-617-3812)

Full Schedule at chconline.org/community-education

Board Meeting Date Change

➤ Thursday, Dec. 15, 6:00 PM, in the Stellar Office. Parents and students welcome.

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