

Principal's Page



I cannot believe we are already halfway through February! Before we know it, it will be Spring Break! I was thrilled to see so many of our students and families there watching the adorable movie Home, and sharing cookies and hot chocolate together! I look forward to getting everyone together like that again in the near future. Stay warm everyone!

Kim Redgrave, Coordinator

SKS CLASSROOM SUCCESS STORIES

Ms. Brianne

Valenti's PEP Class

In the PEP Beginnings class, Tisha was finally able to master a skill she's been practicing for weeks! She figured out how to use her arms to pull

herself around on her belly using the rolling Tumble Form. She was so proud of herself and so were we! Also in that class, Rachel was able to use her less dominant hand to

operate a cause and effect toy independently. She pressed the switch to make the toy stop and go all on her own!

Mrs. Donna Moore's High School Class

We made birdfeeders out of recycled paper towel rolls, peanut butter and birdseed. They are

hanging outside her classroom and we will observe the birds that come to our school yard habitat to eat!



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Community



Cathy Kleiler's Class

We enjoyed a day of Community Service in Honor of Martin Luther King's Birthday on Friday, January 15, 2016.

Students and staff spent 45 minutes in the morning and 45 minutes in the afternoon cleaning yellow brick walls, cleaning sinks and refrigerators, organizing shelves in the laminating room and cleaning benches.

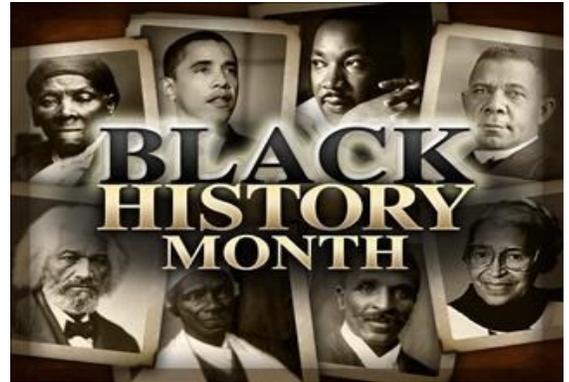
We all felt good about the day and came up with far more "pluses" than "deltas". We have more ideas for next year.



Culture Proficiency



On February 8th, 2016 Michelle Obama invited 51 young black female dancers to the White House to perform in celebration of Black History Month. Students at Stephen Knolls have been learning about the civil rights movements that fought for racial equality in the United States. They listened to speeches of Martin Luther King Jr., read about Rosa Parks, and researched Frederick Douglas' remarkable impact on the world.



The Chinese New Year began on February 8th, 2016 and marks the year of the Monkey. The literal translation of the Chinese new Year is the Spring Festival. It is tradition for families to cleanse the house in order to sweep away ill-fortune.



As a school community we celebrate the words of peace and equality that our black leaders spoke about, and wish each other good fortune and happiness similar to those celebrating the Chinese New Year.



In 2015, President Barak Obama declared February as American Heart Month. Cardiovascular disease is responsible for one out of every three deaths and is the number one cause of death among American men and women. Cardiovascular disease consists of heart disease, stroke, and high blood pressure.

The risk factors are controllable. A balance of ongoing and consistent exercise, healthy eating, and stress-free activities are the best methods to promote healthy living.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- February 10th: PSA Meeting @ 5:30pm
- February 11th: Family Fun Move Night - Come Watch "Home"
- February 15th: No School
- February 16th – 19th: PEP Home Visits (NO SCHOOL FOR PEP Students ONLY)
- February 25th: Heart Healthy Day @ Stephen Knolls School
- February 26th: Early Release Day (PEP: AM Itinerant services and 5 hours classes only)