



The Sabin Sentinel

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Dear Sabin Families,

The surprise of late winter snow precipitated an unanticipated chain of events - an early release, a day without school and a late start, all unplanned after President's Day.

We have already celebrated our 100th day of school! As our students made the best of the circumstances, these events remind us that even the best laid plans are subject to Mother Nature's approval.

Our Reading Results intervention program for 1st through 3rd grade students has served between 22 and 25 students since October. Students served by Reading Results coaches saw an average grade level gain of 1 year by the end of the program year. As we review mid-year data, we are seeing that our students are on track to make similar progress, with some students making as much as two-grade level gains in reading. Reading Results is in its second year of programming at Sabin thanks to support from the Sabin parent community through the Sabin auction and the PTA. We are fortunate to have our school counselor, Erika Moller, serving as a reading coach along with Covell Coleman, a parent volunteer last year at Sabin who is now an educational assistant.

In addition, the Literacy Support program provides support to 4th through 8th graders. The expansion of literacy interventions was made possible through a \$15,000 Kaiser Foundation grant.



From getting your children to school each day to providing a consistent message of support and encouragement in the infinite possibilities our children can achieve, you are so vitally important to what we do at school. Sabin students spend roughly 6 hours a day and 30 hours per week at school. Experiences at school and home are interconnected. Challenges outside of school often impact students while at school. In other words, we don't check our challenges at the school door. Struggles at home can follow us wherever we may go. As a school community we strive to make school a place where our children experience safety, respect and support: foundations for a healthy learning community. Nothing we do is possible without parent support. Your partnership is integral to our success. The better we are able to work together, the more certain the benefits are for our children.

IB Corner



Many teachers and I would all like to say thank you for your generous support of Mt. Readmore. With those funds, classroom teachers have been ordering books to support classroom libraries, diversifying classroom book options and IB units. For example, in the first, second and third grades every classroom teacher was able to order over 50 new titles for their library! The books are all aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards, our IB units and are globally minded. Wow!

Our MYP team is using the funds to purchase books for 2018-2019 Battle of the Books to have in the classroom.

Other classrooms are still in the process of determining which books will be best for their students and will be placing their orders in the next two weeks. All of the books should be here in time for the last quarter of the school year.

Electric Slide with PPB

Question: can police in uniform do the Electric Slide with Sabin students?

Answer: Yes! They have the moves!

When Music Teacher Melody Simrell wanted to recognize and embrace Sabin's historic contribution to its community, she naturally wanted to express this with an artistic endeavor. So she chose to showcase the "electric" Sabin IB program through an instructional unit in which 3rd-5th graders learned the Electric Slide.

Police Chief Danielle Outlaw visited Sabin with several officers to participate in the music video with Sabin students.

The full music video will be available soon. In the meantime you can watch the KGW story to learn more.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qZqJHmkDyZA>

And see the Portland Police Bureau's video on Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/PortlandPolice/status/969680736566501376>



Oregon Battle of the Books



We just finished an excellent season of Battle of the Books! There were 115 students in grades 3-8 that participated this year. After a total of 47 battles over the past month, we narrowed the 23 teams down to two - a winner in the 3rd-5th grade category and a winner in the 6th-8th grade category. Congratulations to **The Book Whisperers** as the PYP winner and **Waffle Soup/Team 3** as the MYP winner. Both those teams represented Sabin School at their respective Regional competitions. **Team 3 made it to the final round and came in second at the Regional out of 15 teams competing!**

(See the picture of Waffle Soup/Team 3 on page 1 of this issue.)

A big shout out to the three other 3rd-5th grade teams that made it into the final four: The Jellyfish Bookies, Radioactive Kittens and Bookworm Bandits. And a huge applause to all the teams this year for their amazing reading capacity, wonderful teamwork and outstanding sportsmanship. And thank you to all the volunteers, and especially Lili Boicourt for supporting OBOB this year!

Auction Update

The auction is right around the corner and the team is working very hard on getting ready for an amazing night of fundraising for Sabin!

Here are ways YOU can help:

- Donate a bottle of wine to our **WALL OF WINE**. In fact, please come to a special tasting event this FRIDAY 5:00 - 7:30pm at Great Wine Buys - all wine purchased will be 20% off when you mention Sabin!
- Buy a ticket for our amazing RAFFLE! This year you can win your choice of a trip to Lake Tahoe for four people or Mexico for two people. The class that sells the most raffle tickets will win an Eb + Bean party!

<https://sabin.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/SABINAUCTION2018/RAFFLETICKETS/tabid/954010/Default.aspx>

- Sign up to help with your class ART PROJECT? Some classes still don't have a volunteer - and this is a fun way to get all kids involved.
- Finally, have you bought your TICKET to the auction yet? Get your crew together for a super fun night! It's around the corner - April 14th, 2018.

<http://www.sabinauction.com>

