



# Aronimink *in Action*

January 2019

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## January Events

- 1/2 **Return to School**  
Wed.
- 1/8 **School Board Meeting**  
Tues. 7:30 p.m.
- 1/11 **Winter Bingo**  
Thurs. 6:30– 8:00 p.m.
- 1/19 **19th Annual UDAE Gala at PAC**  
Sat. 3 p.m.
- 1/21 **Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday**  
Mon. school closed
- 1/22 **School Board Committee Mtgs.**  
Tues. 6:30 & 7:30 p.m.
- 1/25 **Snowball Social**  
Fri. 6:00–10:00 p.m.

## Save the Date

- 2/2 **Pancake Breakfast**  
Sat.
- 2/6 **Early Dismissal**  
Wed. 12:30
- 2/12 **School Board Meeting**  
Tues. 7:30 p.m.
- 2/15–18 **President's Birthday Weekend**  
school closed
- 2/21 **Home and School Meeting**  
Thurs. 7 p.m.
- 2/28 **School Administrator's Day**  
Wed.
- 2/26 **School Board Committee Meetings**  
Tues. 6:30 & 7:30 p.m.

## Principal's Message

Dear Aronimink Families,  
Aronimink Elementary School continues to be a fun, yet supportive place where students are focused and inspired to learn. Our students returned from a long, winter break ready to get the new year started off right! I am thankful for our strong school community and awesome Aronimink Home and School for sponsoring many events during these past few months: the Harvest Festival, BINGO Nights and our upcoming Snow Ball Social and Pancake Breakfast. It is awesome to see our families participate in these fun and memorable Aronimink traditions. There are plenty more opportunities in the upcoming months to get involved.

Please be sure to come out and support our students in the upcoming Pancake Breakfast (Saturday, February 2nd) and 2nd Annual Snowball Social (Friday, January 25th). A great way to support our students is by attending the Pancake Breakfast. Proceeds help support our 5th graders who are attending the Echo Hill trip by purchasing



Fifth grader Ruqayyah A. created an original design incorporating color and a symmetrical pattern.



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tickets to his annual event. Each year, this is Aronimink tradition shows how awesome our community truly is in supporting our students.

The month of January is always a busy time. Our students are currently completing their mid-year Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments and many have taken the DIBELS assessment. It is exciting to see the growth that our students have already made this school year. Your child's results will be shared at the end of the 2nd marking period. In addition to your children completing homework and participating in our Royal Writing Challenges, please continue to reinforce our GO Math program by working on Sumdog and other online math sites.

I look forward to an awesome second half of the school year! Best Regards,

~Josh Rehak, Principal

## 1st Grade News

Happy New Year! The first graders came back to school ready to learn after having a little break

from school. They wrote about what they would like to learn in the new year. Just check out their feet in the hallway and you can see that the first graders are ready to step into the new year!

First graders continue to practice their math fluency facts. They will have the opportunity to demonstrate those skills on the math fluency check which is given this month. Ask any first grader to count to 100, count by tens, or tell tens and ones in a two-digit number!

Please continue to read, read, and read with your child! Oral reading, choral reading, and repeated reading are all great ways to help build reading fluency.

~Mrs. Paris, 1st Grade Teacher

## 3rd Grade News

Third grade is very busy in 2019!! Miss Wilson is new to the third grade and Aronimink and has done an excellent time transitioning the students. In Math we are learning about division strategies and how division is the inverse of multiplication. The students are doing so well! We are finishing up Social Studies and will soon be moving into Science. We will be studying water and how it changes into different states and its properties. Students are also completing their persuasive letter and starting an informational piece very soon. Plot, author's purpose, story structure, and inferencing are all skills we are working on in Language Arts. We really are busy beavers in third grade!

~Dr. Sheehan, 3rd Grade Teacher



## 5th Grade News

5th graders visited the Philadelphia Art Museum for the 2nd time this year. What a wonderful experience! There is still so much to see and learn about the museum. All students were given a free family pass to go back and enjoy!

~Mrs. Woodbridge, 5th Grade Teacher



Third grader Jack W. painting of his original creation of the Tree of Life.

## Physical Education News

Students are fine tuning their rope jumping skills getting ready for the jump rope class, grade level and school-wide championships!

In addition, students will be honing their basketball skills in preparation for the 4th and 5th grade 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

The tournament takes place on Monday, March 18th 6:00 start time for the girls, 7:00 start time for the boys.

A special thank you to our student council members and to the families who generously donated scarves, hats and gloves to help the needy in our Upper Darby community.

~Mr. Dunn, Phys. Ed. Teacher



## Art News

### Grade 1

First graders are creating a composition of the Mice Underneath the Library Floor including characters and setting.

### Grade 2

Second graders are exploring pattern as they design a magic carpet using this knowledge.

### Grade 3

Third grade students are creating a birthday bells out of clay to ring on their birthday.

### Grade 4

Fourth graders are creating a mask demonstrating the use of texture and pattern.

### Grade 5

Fifth graders are enlarging an image using a grid method.

~Mrs. York, Art Teacher/Librarian

## Library News

### Grade 1

Our First graders are learning about the elements of a story in a fictional text.

### Grade 2

Second graders have been learning about the Dewey Decimal section and the purpose of the arrangement.

### Grade 3, 4, and 5

Our upper grades are determining the purpose of the organization of nonfiction texts .

~Mrs. York, Art Teacher/Librarian

Fourth grader Samantha M. created the still life demonstrating the use of space in her composition.





Above: Fourth grader Jeff C. created the still life demonstrating the use of space in her composition; Below: Fifth grader Keela C.-H. created an original design incorporating color and a symmetrical pattern.

