

# DECEMBER SSS NEWSLETTER

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## Seasons Greetings

Happy Hanukkah! Merry Christmas!  
Happy Kwanzaa!

The holiday season was in full swing during the month of December! No matter how you celebrate during the holiday season, here are some ways that your school counselors and school social worker celebrate for the holiday:

### 'Tis the season...

The SSS Team would love to share with you what the holidays mean to us! Take a look!!

#### Counselor Love

The Christmas season means so much to me. It is a tradition in my household to attend Christmas Catholic Mass followed by a dinner with family and friends. I enjoy being able to spend time with my loved ones, and I look forward to seeing them all in person, very soon!"

#### Counselor Douglas

"I was pleasantly surprised by my California & Seattle family, including my sweet mama from Alabama visiting over the holidays. We enjoyed good food, fun games, dancing, karaoke, great chatter, and an eucumenical family worship. What a blessing!! My home was filled with FAITH, HOPE, & LOVE!"

#### Counselor Herd

"The holidays are my favorite time of year simply because it is spent with family! A Christmas Eve tradition we share is to open one Christmas gift together the night before. This year it looked a lot different but we still shared some of our traditions over Google Meets and Facetime. I am grateful that we were able to celebrate and stay safe this holiday season!"

#### SSW Jacobs

"This holiday season, I faced-time with my family, on all eight nights of Hanukkah. Together we lit the menorah, sang songs and cooked Latkas. I also had the pleasure of visiting a number of classes to share stories about the Jewish Holiday. This filled my heart!"



Now that you've heard from us, we want to hear from you! What do the holidays mean to you and your family? Feel free to email us your responses if you would like!

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# PYP Counseling Corner



Counselors Love & Douglas Edition



# I can & I will



The PYP School Counselors thoroughly enjoyed seeing you all this semester. We made it! Wahoo! We are wishing you a Happy Holiday and Happy New Year!

## This Month in Counseling...

Make-up Classroom Instruction  
Mystery Reader  
Small Groups:  
Friendship/Social Skills/TIP  
Lunch Bunch Groups  
PoTM: Open Minded  
Perfect Attendance All-stars  
Parent /Teacher Consultations  
Wellness Check-ins

## PoTM: OPEN MINDED

**Kinders:** Kalea Algarin, Jonathan Ball, Ansley Boyer, Skylar Britt, Trinity Madison, Enzo White (winner), Fawn Williams

**1st Grade:** Yassir Aborigine, Nadiya Allen, Bailey Grace Beard, Elosie Causey, Macyn Duke (winner), Mason Madison

**2nd Grade:** Tyler James, Zion Murphy, Romin Perkins (winner), Zara Stewart

**3rd Grade:** Kailyn Crumbley, Josiah Dawkins-Williams (winner), Judah Faulkner, Alex Huff, Amelia Odle, Micah Thomas-Bullock

**4th Grade:** Hayden Cooper, Nailah Greer, Jase Nixon (winner)

**5th Grade:** Siraj Baugh, Rylee Cobb (winner), Michael Wallace



## COMING SOON IN 2021...

CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION

SUPPORT GROUPS

SMALL GROUPS

FAMILY WORKSHOPS

KINDNESS MONTH

LUNCH BUNCH TRIVIA TEAMS

EKG KINDNESS CLUB

SEL MYSTERY READERS

VIRTUAL COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR

SUMMER CAMP EXPLORATION







The PYP School Counselors are proud to recognize Ms. Ferrell's 2nd grade student, Amira Hadley for her open-mindedness and civic duty to keep our neighborhood beautiful. While her mother drove home one afternoon, Amira noticed unsightly graffiti and foul language on an outside wall. Amira put her "THINKING" cap on and spurred to action in hopes of having her neighborhood wall restored. Amira asked her mother who she should contact, and the rest is history! Amira put in a phone call and sent an email to Atlanta's 311 hotline on December 1, 2020. Only three short days later, the City of Atlanta responded to Amira's email notifying her the graffiti and foul language had been covered. WOWZERS!! Normally, this process can take weeks, if not months considering the number of requests and the global pandemic. We are IN AWE of AMIRA HADLEY for her act of civic duty and **OPEN MINDEDNESS** to create change for the good of others!!! Amira, what a way to RISE UP! You sure make **WESLEY PROUD!!!**

# GOAL Getter

**AMIRA HADLEY, 2nd Grade**



Thank you for contacting ATL311. ATL311 is the City of Atlanta's first non-emergency customer service center. Accessible by phone, online and through all mobile platforms at [www.ATL311.com](http://www.ATL311.com), ATL311 will provide residents with quick, easy access to government services and information.

Your service request 1189109655 has been completed.

**Service Request Number:** [1189109655](#)

**Status:** Closed

**Opened:** 12/1/2020 12:23:50 PM

**Closed:** 12/3/2020 03:49:52 PM

**Area:** Street Operations

**Description:** \*\*\*Due to the pandemic this service may be delayed, please continue to reach out to ATL311 for any updates.\*\*\* The City of Atlanta removes graffiti on streets, sidewalks, signs, signal boxes, light poles and signal poles in the City's right of way. If requesting graffiti removal: • Contact ATL311 at 404-546-0311 or • Submit a request online via the Create Request option below

**Customer Note:**

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# ACTION



# MYP Counseling Corner

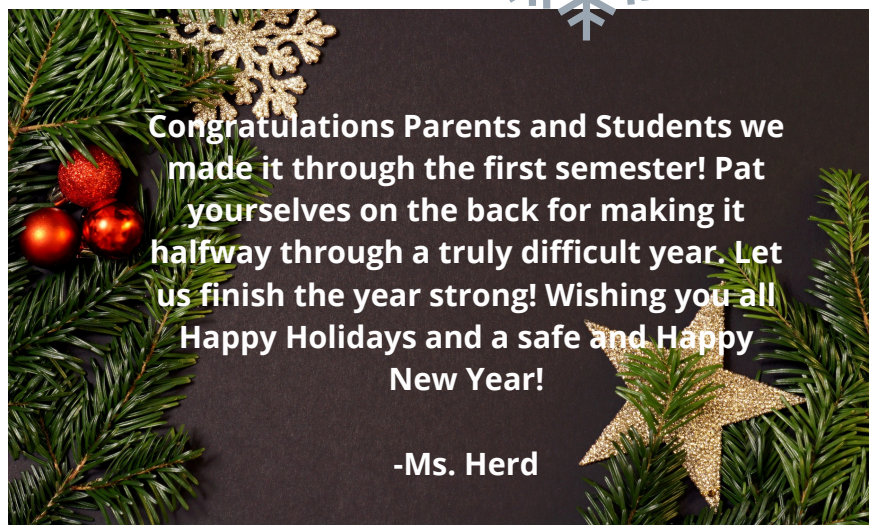
## This month in MYP...

Wellness Pods, Phoenix Trivia Teams, Phoenix Social Hour, 8th-grade parent meeting, Small Group termination (Attendance Matters, Young Kings, GIRL POWER, The Executive Club), Classroom Instruction - Gratitude Town Hall



### 9th Grade Registration

'Tis the season to start looking towards 9th grade and elective selection for next year! On the [Powerpoint slides from our 8th-grade parent meeting](#), you will find information about Parent Information nights for rising 9th-grade students. If you have questions about your student's zoned high school please reach out to Ms. Herd.



### PHOENIX TRIVIA TEAMS WILL RESUME IN SPRING!

The Phoenix Trivia SUPERBOWL has been rescheduled for 1/20! New teams will begin in February with more information forthcoming.



### December Phoenix of the Month OPEN MINDED

#### 6th Grade

Eleana Curran  
Kaydence Witchett  
Zion Higgins-Brook  
Helen Butler  
Tealacy Woods  
Zofia Cater  
Hannah McAlister  
Jannaco Searcy  
Hannah McAlister  
Zofia Cater  
Tamia Chappel  
Jason Lewis  
Eleana Curran  
Jaren Sullivan

#### 7th Grade

Earlniyah Middlebrooks  
Nekhi Stover  
Nicolas Higgins  
Julia Mayi  
Jada Daugherty  
Edgehill Ingram  
Chris Peterson  
Nur-Jehan Robinson  
Jaylen Ferguson  
Ariana Rabinovich  
Robert Scott  
Isaiah Gaston  
Durayah Harris  
Jayden Johnson

#### 8th Grade

Sa'Niya Vines  
Ainsley Odle  
Brierra Moore  
Seth Garcia  
Wade Benton  
Langston Roberts  
Cheyenne Coston  
Niah Maduakolam  
Sa'Niya Vines  
Makayla Nabors  
Cari Jones  
Jordan Hicks  
Aiden Jones  
Cari Jones  
Paris Jeffries

Our Next Phoenix Social Hour will be on January 29th! [Join us on Zoom](#) for scavenger hunts, game wheels, and more!

**PHOENIX  
SOCIAL HOUR!**

6th grade: 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm

7th grade: 12:45 pm - 1:15 pm

8th grade: 1:15 pm - 2:00 pm



# SOCIAL WORK NOOK



Dear WIA Parents,

PHEW! We made it to second semester! The last several months have been a whirlwind for our entire community. I have loved "meeting" so many of our awesome parents virtually. If you are interesting in setting up a time to connect this month, please reach out !

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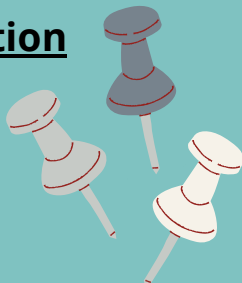
## Virtual RESOURCE CORNER

**Jackson Cluster  
Resource Guide**

**Covid-19 Rent  
Assistance**

**CAPs Application**

**Mobile Crisis**



## Perfect Attendance All-stars

Kindergarten: Cayden Christie

1st Grade: Zaria Faulkner

2nd Grade: Queen Zachery

3rd Grade: Vivian Omedo

4th Grade: Taylor Huff

5th Grade: Tristan Shelton

All-stars are randomly selected each month from the list of PYP students with 0 absences for that month. Congratulation to our December All-Stars!