



**Student and Parent Newsletter February 27, 2023 Quarter 3 Week 25**

Door opens at 7:50 AM for K-8  
Tardy after 8:05 AM  
Dismissal is at 3:35 PM for K-8

**Support**

Parents, we are here to support you. We are always looking for ways to reach our students. In our quest, we have to remember that impossible is nothing and that we need to remain diligent in finding solutions to support our students. Please also know that you are never alone. Ms. Loyd our school social worker, Ms. Toney our Student Support Specialist, and Dr. Peart are here to support you with finding strategies, engaging, and having a listening ear. At DEPSA, all Pioneers are solution focused and solutions seekers. Please leverage us when you need to make the impossible possible. Thank you and enjoy this week!

**Homework Expectations**

- Students are expected to complete homework by their classroom teacher.
- Reading (Read and Response) and Math (C3) homework can be accessed online and must be completed weekly.
- The goal is for each class to attain a 95% return rate on homework at the end of the week.
- Homework will be checked EVERY DAY- thank you for helping your child build their work ethic by completing their homework every night.

**Important Dates**

March 8-Parent/Teacher Conference 4:30pm-7:00pm

March 10, 2023 Field Experience for 1st and 2nd grade to Charles H. Wright Museum 10:00 am-2:00 pm

March 22- ½ Day for Students/Staff PD

March 31-End of Quarter III

**Ways to support your child**

- Demonstrate a positive attitude
- Ask your child questions and look through their bookbag/folders/cell phones
- Make sure your child completes their schoolwork and homework
- Communicate your child's needs to his/her teacher
- Enroll your child into tutoring

**Monthly PBIS Celebration**

Students who continue to meet our behavior expectations will participate in our PBIS activity for January. Students can not have any suspensions during the month and not have served 3 or more detentions.



With this new Quarter let's create new goals as we continue to stay focused and make it an amazing year!

**Parent Teacher Conferences**

Conferences are scheduled for March 8, 2023. Conferences will be held face to face from 4:30 pm-7:00 pm. on first come first serve basis. You will have to sign in outside teacher door.

**Field Trip**

First & Second Grade will be going to the Charles H. Wright Museum on Friday, March 10,2023 Departing at 10:00 am Returning 2:00pm

**Scholastic Book Fair**

March 1-3rd Scholastic Book Fair sponsored by WXYZ - each of our students will receive FREE books!

**Spring Picture Day!**

Monday March 6, 2023

Students can wear their favorite spring outfit if taking pictures only.

**School Traffic**

School Traffic . Gentle reminder for ALL families! You must drive safely through our campus, as we have many children moving about the area. Stopping short, aggressively driving, speeding etc. will result in the authorities being notified and charges filed. The safety of our students, families and staff members are of the utmost importance to us.

**Re-Enrollment**

Hello Parents, it is that time of year for you to complete re-enrollment forms to save your students spot for next school year. Please take the time to complete the link to re-enroll students for next year. If you do not complete the form students will not have a spot for next year.

**Re Enrollment form**

<https://forms.gle/ZhSGHgXWXet4oQR8>

**NUT-Free School**

Please do not bring any products containing nuts(peanut or tree nuts) into the school. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

**Black History Month Projects Came Home Due February 27, 2023**  
**Black History Program-March 2,2023**

**Black History Fact**

**First Woman Representatives:**

**Shirley Chisholm** was the first African American woman elected to the **House of Representatives**. She was elected in 1968 and represented the state of **New York**. She broke ground again four years later in 1972 when she was the first major party African American candidate and **first female candidate for president of the United States**.



**DeansList**

**Get excited! Families will be able to check their students progress weekly by viewing the Parent Weekly Report sent through Deanslist.**

**Class Attendance and Grades**

Class	Grade	Class Absences		Class Tardies	
		This Week	This Year	This Week	This Year
IB MYP Language & Literature R (7) - Per. P6 (K. Sykes)	68% (D)	0	3	0	2
IB MYP Language & Literature W (7) - Per. P7 (K. Sykes)		0	3	0	2
IB MYP Mathematics (7) - Per. P3 (K. Goida)		0	0	0	0
IB MYP Performing Arts (7) - Per. P1 (W. Haqq)	96% (A)	0	7	2	13
IB MYP Sciences (7) - Per. P3 (D. Open)	75% (C)	0	3	0	0
IB MYP Sciences (7) - Per. P5 (T. Hudson)	72% (C)	0	2	0	1
IB MYP Social Studies (7) - Per. P2 (Z. Wisniewski)	45% (F)	0	3	0	3
IB MYP Visual Arts (7) - Per. P4 (W. MCDOWELL)	88% (B)	0	3	0	0

Here's a short video you can review:

**FAMILY PORTAL OVERVIEW**  
<https://youtu.be/LJWdExKmw7Q>

**Uniform violations-** sent daily at 4:00pm

**3+ Positive Behaviors-** sent on Thursday at 4:00pm

**3+ Areas of Opportunities-** sent on Friday at 4:00pm

**Tutoring**

Please be advised that tutoring will start back for Quarter 3 on February 27, 2023. Tutoring Permission slips came home, please complete and return. Tutoring will be from 4:00 pm -6:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday

[Tutoring ends at 6:00PM. Parents are required to pick their child up by 6:00PM. After 2 late pick ups your child will not be able to participate in tutoring.](#)

**If you are interested in signing your child up for tutoring please contact Mrs. Withers at [gwithers@npfeschools.org](mailto:gwithers@npfeschools.org)**

**Grand Valley State Tutoring**

**We have been given a wonderful opportunity to partner with Grand Valley State University and the Skillman Foundation of Detroit.**

**The goal is to then match them with 1st and 2nd grade students who may need additional reading or math support. This is an opportunity for your students to**

spend 1:1 time with a trained literacy tutor focusing on phonics, fluency, comprehension and vocabulary.

- Tutoring can occur Monday-Sunday between 4p-8p
- Students work with their tutor 3x a week for 45 minutes
- No materials are required other than a laptop or Chromebook
- A quiet space for tutoring in the home is preferred

### **Chronic Absenteeism**

#### **Attendance Matters All Day Every Day!**

Chronic absenteeism can cause poor grades and is defined as missing at least 10 percent (18 days) of days in a school year for any reason, including excused and unexcused absences. [Currently 40% of students have been identified as chronically absent per the state of Michigan.](#)

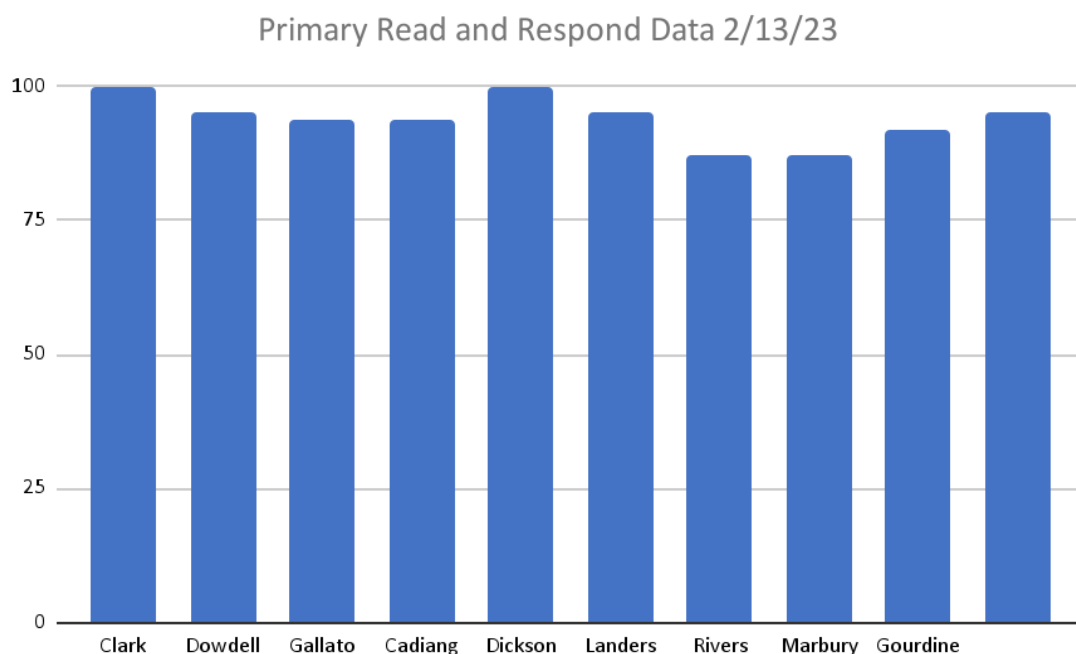
Every day counts as each days missed equals 7 hours of instructional time missed. We look forward to seeing ALL of our scholars on the first day back from the break (Jan. 2). Remember that 2 absences per month will cause a student to be Chronically Absent by the end of the school year. Please reach out to us with any questions, comments or concerns. Thank You and Be Well!

The number that we want to do our best to avoid is 15 (by the end of the year). If your child is currently below this number of absences, he or she can finish the year strong and not become Chronically Absent! If your child has exceeded this number for the year, it is critical that he/she is in school daily, on time. Remain diligent, we are here to support! If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the school via email at the address listed below. If there is anything that we can support you with, or anything that you would like to inform us on. Please do not hesitate to reach out!

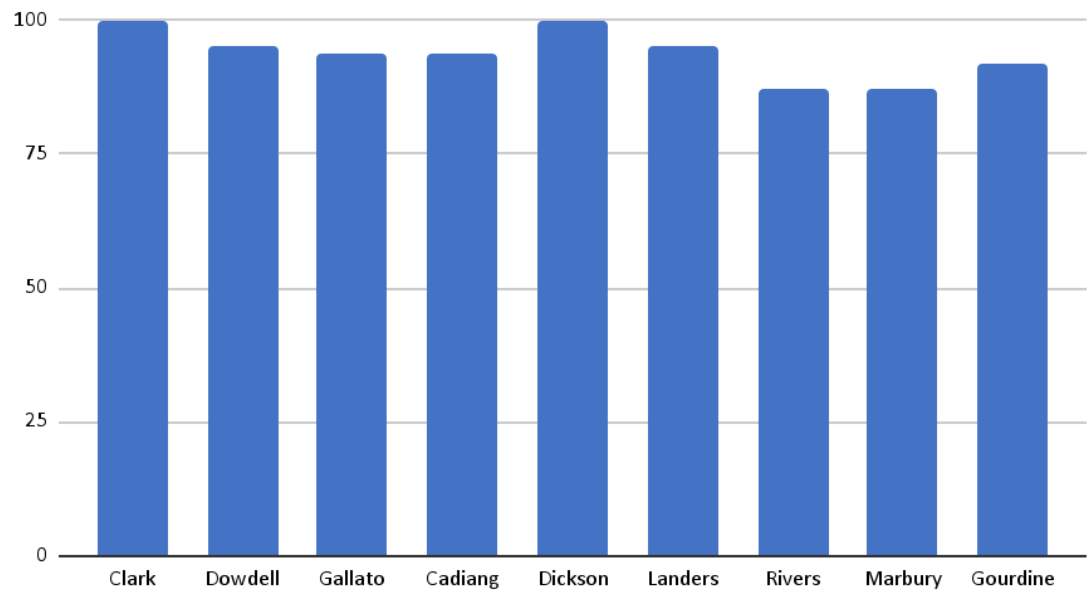
#### **Read & Respond and C3 Homework**

The expectation is for students to complete homework every night and to return every day for teacher feedback. Please make and take the time now to push students on expectations with quality of work and accountability with turning in every day. The goal is for each class to attain a 100% return rate on homework at the end of the week. Here are the results of last week's homework!

A big shout out to those classes below who had 90% or higher:



Primary C3 Data 2/13/23



**Parent Tip**

1. Keep distractions to a minimum. Students should find a quiet place to be able to complete their work.
2. Make sure students do their own work. Homework is reinforcement of the skills students are learning in school. Parents should make suggestions and help with directions.
3. Praise their efforts. Celebrate your child's effort and success. Post their grades up within your home.

**Important:**

- **Masks are required each and everyday for students as it a part of their uniforms**

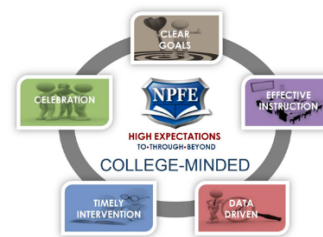
**Mission**

New Paradigm for Education (NPFE) mission is to be a catalyst to grow and sustain high performing schools where scholars are empowered to be global citizens and lifelong learners.

**Vision**

Every student excels as an engaged thoughtful citizen by forging new pathways to contribute to their community.

**Instructional Model**



Our New Paradigm Instructional Model are the pillars for the work we do every day, to set high standards for our children. We focus on setting clear goals, making sure effective instruction takes place in our classroom, ensuring we are making data driven decisions, providing timely intervention as needed, and celebrating our progress.

**NPFE Annual Goals**

- **NWEA-** 60% or more of our students will meet their NWEA GOALS fall to spring targets in both reading and math
- **M-Step/PSAT-** proficiency will increase in both ELA and Math by 20% for grades 3-10
- **Attendance Goals-** Average daily attendance will be at 95% by June 2023; Chronic absenteeism will decrease by 15% in comparison to the 2021-2022 school year
- **Intervention-** Student usage will average 80% or higher during scheduled intervention time
- **Coaching Cycle-** Leaders will complete a minimum of 8 complete coaching cycles per teacher during the 2022-2023 school year.

**Birthday Celebrations**

**All Birthdays are ONLY to be celebrated on FRIDAY'S**

# MARCH 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb. 26	Feb. 27	Feb. 28	1 BOOK FAIR	2 BOOK FAIR	3 BOOK FAIR	4
5	Picture Day	7	8 All Parent-Teacher Conferences (All schools - sign up on Canvas LMS)	9	10	11
12	13	14 HAPPY NATIONAL PI DAY	15 WORLD SPEECH DAY	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
19 And grab a book!	20	21	22 1/2 DAY 11:30 DISMISSAL	23 JOIN US for a FUN Literacy Night! Dress as your favorite children's character! 4:30-6:30 PM Fresh & Cafe	24	25
26 TAKE UP YOUR OWN HOLIDAY DAY!	27	28	29	30	31 END OF QUARTER III	



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