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INDIGO DYEING

Ms. Van Kooten's 7th grade history class crafted organic, pure Indigo scarves in the traditional West African style. This special activity was part of a multiple day process with research, science lab and collaboration with Mr. Watts, and guest speakers from Nigeria, all which culminated with the actual indigo dyeing process. Thank you to Ms. Van Kooten, Mr. Watts, and all volunteers for this experience!

MAGIC HAPPENS

The VMA Fall Show, "Magic Happens," was spectacular event that featuring over 200 students singing Disney classics, "Magic Happens" showcased the talent of our Luther learners to a packed audience all three nights. Thanks to Mr. Redman, Ms. Enokian, and the many volunteers who made it truly magical show.



"Magic Happens" showcased many Disney classics in choir, group, and solo acts.



Illuminations
The Little Mermaid



Luminescence Tangled



Spotlight The Lion King



Starlight
The Lion King



TRI-SCHOOL BASKETBALL

After weeks of practicing, Luther's 8th graders represented our school at the Tri-School Basketball Tournament versus teams from Huerta and Muir. The boys' team made a solid showing and our girls' team won **GIRLS' TRI SCHOOL CHAMPIONS!** Thank you to our PE department for supporting these efforts and a special shout out to Kendall Ebert for her coaching. The extra practices paid off!



PTA REFLECTIONS

Congrats to our learners who participated in this year's Reflections competition, "Accepting Imperfections."



DIVERSE VOICES

This month, Diverse Voices brough Native American dancers to Luther. This group dazzled the crowd with their vibrant dancing, clothing, and singing. This was a great opportunity for students to learn about the Native American traditions. Thanks, Diverse Voices!

November in Review

Looking Forward to December

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Suzanne McHorney
- 6 Mel Leroy
- 14 Luci Bowers
- 16 Ara Movsessian
- 20 Cayce Mattison
- 28 Lee Oliver

ADVISORY SURVEY

The initial "Advisory Interest Survey" will be going out at our December Faculty meeting. Please take a moment to let us know your thoughts on Advisory as it currently stands. We need your feedback to know whether to bring this to a greater discussion. Please share your opinion!

NEW TEACHER "POP IN" HELP

Last month, we had a "pop in" session to discuss "end of the semester" basics. Please stop in on Tuesday, December 10th if you would like help with planning for the second semester (location TBD). We'll look at the calendar and I'll help you make a plan for the first days back after Winter Break.

TITLE I UPDATE

Our School Plan for Student Achievement is complete and we have some changes coming in the Spring to help us meet our goals. We hope our new "intervention" level Social Studies class will help with class size and will provide support for our 8th grade students struggling in English and social studies.

HOW TO GET ON THIS NEWSLETTER

Have something cool going on that you want to share with the staff? Please send your news to the admin team so it can be included in this newsletter each month. Let's celebrate and share your awesomeness!

FINALS SCHEDULE

Please note the schedule for final exams!

Monday, DEC. 15	English, Science, Electives
Tuesday, DEC. 16	Math, Soc. Sci.
Wednesday, DEC 17	Math, SocSci, PE
Thursday, DEC 18	Minimum Day
Friday, DEC 19	Pupil Free Day
Monday, Dec 22	Winter Break Begins
Monday, Jan 6	Return from Break