



## Adams Update January 17, 2020

**Reminder: No school for students on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> or Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be attending professional development and recording end of semester grades.**

### **Battle of the Books Update**

Battle of the Books teams, please join us for the **Mock Battles** on Friday, January 31 and Friday, February 7, in the Adams Art Room, during lunch. Please contact Kate Reder at [kathleenreder@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenreder@gmail.com) with any questions. If you are leading a team and haven't talked with Kate yet, please reach out and let her know. Thank you!

### **Discover the Universe**

COSI on Wheels—Discover the Universe is coming to Adams once again this year, on February 18. This is a high-energy Science experience for our students, provided by COSI - The Center of Science and Industry. This year's event will focus on the Universe and Space Exploration. We are looking for some parent volunteers to help. If you are interested, please check out the volunteer sign-up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545aea92cabfb6-cosi>

### **Have Fun, Please Help!**

The Adams PTO is a fun, energetic, child-focused group of parents that comes together to put on school events and raise funds for our classrooms. **We are looking for more parents to be involved**, especially parents from some of our younger grades. If you enjoy being at the school and helping out - either during the school day or at evening events - please reach out to your student's teacher or to me. Thank you!

### **We need your help!**

The Adams Fall Carnival is a fun, popular, family-oriented event, and it was incredibly well attended this fall. Along with being a great community event, it is a key fundraiser for our PTO, with all funds funneling into our classrooms and student events. We are in desperate need of help to prepare for next year's carnival. Please consider offering to help; if you are interested, please let me know, or let your classroom teacher know, and they will pass your name along to me. Thank you!

### **2020-21 Kindergarten Orientation (for next year's Kindergarten parents)**

Our **Kindergarten Orientation**, for 2020-21 kindergarten students, is **Tuesday, February 4, 5:45 p.m.**, here at Adams. If you have a student that will be in kindergarten next year please plan to attend; if you know someone with a future kindergarten student, please let them know, as well.

## Music Notes from Mrs. Haskett



Our third graders have been invited to sing with **Gemini** Sunday March 15th at 1:00pm at Creative 360!



**Gemini** is a musical group consisting of two brothers from Ann Arbor. They sing multicultural songs and have the students sing and play instruments from around the world. Central Park and Adams 3rd graders have been invited to perform along with them. I will be teaching the songs to your child during music class, then on Sunday March 15th they will perform with Gemini at Creative 360! This is not a required concert since it happens outside of the school day, but if your child can attend it will be a great experience for them.

**Everyone at Adams is invited to the concert!**

Click on the link below to visit Gemini's website: <http://www.geminichildrensmusic.com/>

Here is a link to the Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2623824677683531/>

### ***This is what we've learned in Music class this month:***

- Kindergarten:** Focused on their singing voices by playing "Doggie Doggie Where's Your Bone."
- 1st grade:** Mastered keeping a steady beat by performing "Obwisana." This song comes from Africa and the students pass an egg shaker to the beat while singing the song.
- 2nd grade:** Learned how to switch between the F and C chords on the ukulele.
- 3rd grade:** Learned about Gemini and sang many of their songs.
- 4th grade:** Played the F and C chords on the ukulele while singing "Erie Canal."
- 5th grade:** Finished up their musician projects.

### **Upcoming Events**

**Mon, Jan 20**

**No school for students (teacher PD day)**

**Wed, Jan 22, 5:30pm**

**Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Meeting at Jefferson MS**

**Fri, Jan 24**

**No school for students (end of first semester, Records Day)**

**Tues, Feb 4, 5:45pm**

**2020-21 Kindergarten Orientation**

We had a great week here at Adams, and we look forward to seeing you and your students again next week. Have a good weekend!

Educationally yours,

***Scott Cochran***

Principal