

Porter Academy Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday March 15, 2017

Quick Reminders:

- Registration for Summer Camp 2017 is now open.

Message from Ms. Lynn

Thank you all for your understanding about our surprise 4-day weekend. It seems to have worked. Almost all of our students returned on Monday, happy and healthy. All the students seemed to get the rest they needed and came back ready to learn. While all the absences caused some classes to get off schedule with assignments/tests, teachers are working to get everyone caught up and getting back to their normal routine.

Congratulations to the following students for turning in their Great Kindness Challenge and having completed at least five random acts of kindness: Maggi, Micah, Tres', Wyatt, Joel, and Riese. We are so proud of all of our students who show kindness to others, both in school and in the community, through so many different acts of kindness. Just because the kindness challenge is over, please continue to encourage your children to consider others, how they're feeling in different situations, and anything they can do that is likely to bring a smile to someone's face.

While different classes have different lessons during social-emotional learning classes, they all are working to understand different feelings, imagine how others are feeling, and understanding how their words, non-verbal communication, and actions impact others. I was very happy this morning as a student came to talk with me about how she feels sad for people who suffer from chronic hunger. She talked about how she wants to help them and brainstormed things she could do to help. I am proud of all of our students for their awareness of, and compassion for, others. We will continue working to foster this wonderful kindness in our students.

Important Dates

Apr 3-7: No School—
Spring Break

Apr 28: No School—
Teacher Work Day

May 8-9: Lower School
Conferences; No School
for Lower School
Students

May 10: Field Day

May 11: Upper School
Conferences; No School
for Upper School
Students

May 25: Last Day of
School; 1:00 Dismissal
(No Afterschool)

May 25, 30, 31: Teacher
Work Days



Manatees are cutting out pictures and words to create their "social skills toolkits"

Parent Pipeline

Discovery Day at Georgia State University will be Saturday, March 18th from 9:30-2:30. It will take place at Petit Science Center at GSU (100 Piedmont Ave SE, Atlanta, GA 30303). It is a free event, and it sounds like there will be a lot of hands-on learning activities that our children would enjoy. Please visit the website for more information:

<http://atlantasciencefestival.org/events/event/134532>

The Character
Education trait for
March is
Responsibility:
"I will do what is
right, even when I
don't feel like it."