

# (MS)<sup>2</sup> WEEKLY NEWS

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Academic Distinction List

The (MS)<sup>2</sup> School community would like to recognize and congratulate the five students who received straight A's for the first quarter of the 2005-2006 academic year; Tyra Bell, Jasmin Christian, Danielle Drumgoole, Imani Goodman and Jordan Marion. Thank you for setting a standard of excellence for all (MS)<sup>2</sup> students to strive to achieve!

## (MS)<sup>2</sup> Parent Workshop

The monthly (MS)<sup>2</sup> Parent Workshop will be held Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at the school from 9:00 am until 1:00 p.m. As stated in last week's newsletter, parents will be able to meet with teachers and the administrative team, and attend a technology workshop dealing with maximizing the use of their home computers.

If you wish to make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher(s), please call the office to schedule a time.

## Website of the Week

In order to continuously integrate technology into the curriculum, we will now feature a Website of the Week in the newsletter. Each will be a fun site that your student can visit to play educational games or get homework help. This week we are featuring: [www.eduplace/kids](http://www.eduplace/kids). Eduplace includes fun games to help your student with: math, science, social studies, and language arts.

## CALENDAR

**Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**

**(MS)<sup>2</sup> Parent Meeting**

**Blackburn Center**

**Digital Auditorium**

**6:30PM**

**Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Parent Workshop**

**9AM - 1PM**

**Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Student Talent Showcase**

**6:30 - 8:30 PM**

**Blackburn Center**

**Digital Auditorium**

**Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Early Dismissal at 12:30**

**December 26<sup>th</sup>-January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**School Closed**

**Winter Holiday**

**Monday, January 9, 2006**

**Classes Resume**

## Parents Association Meeting

The (MS)<sup>2</sup> Parents Association Meeting will be held on Monday December 5<sup>th</sup> in the Digital Auditorium at the Blackburn Center at 6:30PM. The agenda will include organizational business, possible fundraising opportunities, other parent-initiated activities and a brief visit from Ms. Marie Johns, the chairperson of the (MS)<sup>2</sup> Board of Directors.

**Parent Volunteers**

The (MS)<sup>2</sup> faculty and staff would like to express their appreciation and gratitude to the parent volunteers who contributed their time and energy as Parent Volunteers during the first quarter! There are many ways that Parent Volunteers can contribute to (MS)<sup>2</sup> as office and classroom assistants, cafeteria and hallway monitors and in many other roles. Your help and support are critical to the success of (MS)<sup>2</sup> ! Please contact Ms. Lori Hayman at 806-7725 and become an active part of the (MS)<sup>2</sup> school community.

**NASA on TV**

Launch on a mission to Mars this Saturday morning, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, as astronaut Captain Michael Foreman appears in the newest episode of Trading Spaces: Boys vs. Girls. The episode features Captain Foreman helping to transform the bedroom of a 10-year-old New Jersey boy into a NASA-inspired Martian surface, complete with a control center and Mars Exploration Rover that doubles as a bed. The show premieres on NBC's Discovery Kids programming package, between 11-11:30 a.m. depending upon your market - check your local listings. The show will re-air on Discovery Kids on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 10 p.m. and Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also catch Captain Foreman in the "Ask an Astronaut!" series of fun facts airing throughout the day on Discovery Kids. The out-of-this-world collaboration between NASA and Trading Spaces was spearheaded by NASA's Exploration Systems Mission Directorate.

**Upcoming Tests****Science**

The weekly Science quiz will take place as planned on Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Language Arts**

On Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> there will be a vocabulary quiz.

**Vocabulary Words**

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| 1. Acknowledge | 11. Mourn      |
| 2. Admonish    | 12. Pantomime  |
| 3. Ascend      | 13. Perish     |
| 4. Dejected    | 14. Petty      |
| 5. Deliberate  | 15. Quest      |
| 6. Destination | 16. Vigorous   |
| 7. Fanfare     | 17. Accelerate |
| 8. Ignorance   | 18. Anathema   |
| 9. Leisurely   | 19. Phenomenal |
| 10. Livid      | 20. Vociferous |

**Lunch Menu**

Included in this week's Pouch are copies of the Breakfast, Lunch and Snack menus. Remember that beginning Thursday, December 1, snacks will be provided free of charge for ALL students.