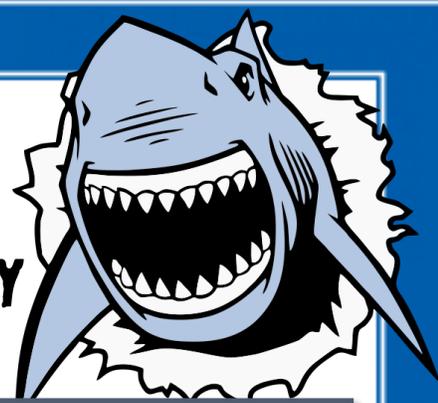


# QUENTIN STEM ACADEMY

## SHARK NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2021



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy February Shark Nation Families and Community! February is a busy month. We have many virtual events and challenges for our students occurring. We are also entering testing season. Please be sure that students are logged on to their computers on time, are well rested and they are eating a healthy meal so that their brains are fed with the appropriate nutrients. Thank you for your continued support.

### PLAYWORKS

This month at **Quentin** we as a staff will be focusing on the character trait **PATIENCE!** This is one of the most important traits to practice. Finding **patience** in a chaotic school day can be difficult and challenging. When you have parents, friends, teachers, and classwork, it can really add up! It is important for all of us to take a few deep breaths and remember to have patience with ourselves. **YOU ARE AWESOME**, don't forget to tell yourself that every once in awhile!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/1-3/5 - Shark Nation Reading Contest (k-8th grades)
- 2/1-2/28 - DreamBox Student Challenge (6-8th grades)
- 2/1 - AZELLA testing window opens
- 2/1 - AIMS A Science window opens
- 2/5 - Progress Reports sent via Remind and ParentVue
- 2/9 - Governing Board Meeting at 6pm via YouTube
- 2/12 & 2/15 - President's Day Recess (No School)
- 2/16 - Anticipated Return to Hybrid Learning
- 2/16 - Gifted testing window begins

### TECHNOLOGY

As we continue learning in virtually we want to remind all our students and parents of a few internet safety tips. **Passwords:** Don't share your password with anyone but your parents. **Online Friends:** Don't agree to meet an online friend unless you have your parents' permission. **Photos:** Don't post photos or videos online without getting your parents' permission.

### CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

In kindergarten students are working on main idea and key details. First grade is working diligently on their animal habitats and sharing their learning using FlipGrid. Second grade is working on identifying theme and third grade is starting up their walk to intervention program. Fourth and fifth grades are learning to add and subtract fractions. Sixth grade students are learning about the effects of gravity in science and in seventh grade students are learning to analyze factors that may influence the perspective of people during different eras. Our eighth grade is learning how to evaluate how past events may impact their lives and society.

### MYD

Recourse is an important part of MYD. Students are able to discuss with the teacher what happened and how the situation can and will be avoided next time. Parents, please talk with your students about the importance of having meaningful conversations with adults about behavior and choices.

### STUDENT AGENCY

Students make choices everyday. They make the choice to be attentive in class, do their classwork, ask questions, and be a role model for others. Hear what the Kid President has to say on making tough choices.

[Check out the Kid President here!](#)



"It's okay to not know, but it's not okay to not try."