

New London Primary

High Road School Quarter Two Newsletter

Operation Manager's Corner: i-Ready Diagnostic

The High Road School of New London Primary is having a great start to 2019! All students have completed their second i-Ready diagnostic upon returning from winter break. This year we have already seen some remarkable growth! We are so proud of the effort our students put into demonstrating their knowledge on the assessment this winter.

In the area of Math nearly all students achieved their target growth between window 1 and window 2. This means students made their expected progress or more since September. Four of our students even made a full years worth of progress between windows 1 and 2. In the area of Reading all students demonstrated growth between window 1 and 2 with many students achieving their target growth between these windows.

Diagnostic: a test used to determine a student's individual strengths, weaknesses, and knowledge.

4-step plan: An individual plan for instruction including current abilities, strengths, needs and specific curriculum to be used.

The i-Ready diagnostic used High Road Schools is an informal assessment. We utilize this diagnostic as a means to monitor student progress by testing at three key times of the school year: the first month, mid-year (following winter break), and at the end of the school year. By testing at these times, we are able to assess student progress and adjust individual instruction through our 4-step plan process.

Student web-based learning is also informed by each i-Ready diagnostic. Individual areas of need are used to inform what lessons students are assigned for both math and reading on the i-reading web-based learning platform. Students are able to earn rewards and games on i-Ready as they complete lessons. Additionally, each classroom currently has a whole-class incentive in place for completing active minutes on i-Ready during their computer rotations.

Progress

Monitoring:

Using multiple tests or evaluations, given at different times, to identify how quickly and by how much a student is improving.



CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHT: MS. FITZGERALD'S CLASS

This Winter students in Ms. Fitzgerald's class have been learning about the seven continents for their social studies unit. Students have learned about wildlife, geography, notable landmarks, landforms, weather, and local culture and cuisine. With each continent students have worked together to create a poster displaying key information while putting their artistic and creative abilities to work.

Upcoming Events:

- February 15th- 1/2 Day
- February 18th & 19th- NO SCHOOL
- March 8th- NO SCHOOL
- March 22nd- 1/2 Day
- April 12th- 1/2 Day
- April 15th-19th- Spring Break



Reminder:

Please see NBCconnecticut.com for information regarding school delays and closures due to inclement weather.



High Road Spirit

This Quarter students and staff went above and beyond demonstrating creativity and spirit in our Holiday door decorating contest.

This winter students were able to practice numerous fine motor skills in creation of their classroom door decor. Students traced, cut, glued, and taped to demonstrate their spirit.

Fine Motor Skills:
Skills requiring a person to control small movements in their fingers and hands such as cutting, pasting, using a pen, and tying ones' shoes.

Q2 2018 Events



In December Ms. L's class learned about what life is like for astronauts.



Ms. Fitzgerald's students have been earning Fuzzies towards a class reward for every ten minutes of active time on i-Ready.



Students demonstrated their creativity In making numerous ornaments and crafts at our annual cookies and crafts event.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

December: Eliah

2ND QUARTER HIGH HONORS

Cermontine
Tatiana
Jacob
Mejins
Eliah
Anthony
Devin

2ND QUARTER HONOR ROLL

Dominic
Jayden
Makayla
AlbertDaniel
Jayden
De'Andre