

Character Education Quarterly Newsletter

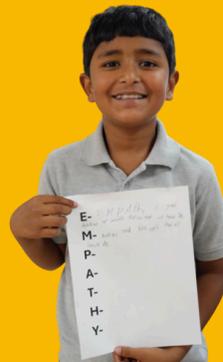


Quarter 1 Wrap-Up

Quarter 1 was an exciting time for Character Development! In August, we celebrated our Character Program launch with core value pledges, posters, presentations, and trainings. In September, we focused on the core value of **Integrity** with students and staff. In October, we launched **Empathy** Month and celebrated national bullying awareness month. Next month, in November, we are gearing up for a School-wide Service Project to focus on our core value of taking initiative.

Our five core values inspire, guide, and inform every aspect of school life. Our educators and leaders model, teach, clarify, and embed core values into every day instruction and experiences. We provide opportunities for students to practice core values so they become consistent habits. Students earn points and recognition for embodying these core values in the classroom and in all parts of our school community through the use of Class DoJo.

Our 5 Core Values



1. **Responsibility**
2. **Determination**
3. **Integrity**
4. **Initiative**
5. **Empathy**



Principal's Prize

Our top Class DoJo point holders were celebrated with Pizza with Pals. The 4 students with the highest number of DoJo points in the entire school were allowed to invite a friend to join them for Papa John's Pizza at lunch.

Character Kids Award Recipients

This year, we are recognizing Students of Character.

Character Kid awards honor the student in each class who earned the most core value DoJo points that month.

When students earn points in these categories, it shows they have been excelling in practicing and showing our core values: integrity, taking initiative, responsibility, determination, and empathy. Award recipients' photos are printed and posted in our school for all to see and celebrate.

We'd like to honor our Character Kids this year thus far:

- Kindergarten, Mrs. Free: Carlos Antonio Mendez Mayorquin
- Kindergarten, Mrs. Golding: Prayash Poudyel
- First Grade, Mrs. Gard: Landon Long
- Second Grade, Ms. Katherine: Tristan Dickerson
- Third Grade, Ms. Ramos: Baron Magar
- Third Grade, Ms. Sonderman: Aarav Magar
- Fourth Grade, Ms. Jacques: Abedi M'Munga
- Fifth Grade, Ms. Meynardie: Rijul Kami
- Sixth Grade Team: Shimon Magar
- Seventh Grade Team: Arturo Yubal Cortes
- Eighth Grade Team: Shatya Simmons

BRAVO!



What's Next?

Here at ICPA, we have much to look forward to! Our students and staff will be participating in Spirit Week from October 27th to the 31st, ending with a Fall Festival on October 31st. We also have a "Character in Action" contest happening; classes are competing to record core value videos in order to win a free Panda Express trip and lunch. In November, we're kicking off our "Take Initiative" month. Our entire school has voted, and now we are in the planning phase of a School-wide Service Project. Here is our mission: We will provide opportunities for all students to participate in Community Service projects. We will develop established expectations for community service both inside and outside of school. Community Service projects will be developmentally appropriate. Our students will understand the meaning and purpose of the project(s). Stay tuned in Quarter 2 for more core value lessons, trainings, and presentations!