

AISN'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Monday, October 26th, 2020

Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, October 28th: Fall Festival; 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Thursday and Friday October 29th, 30th: AISN Break - No School

Monday, November 2nd: School Resumes - 8:00 AM

Wednesday, November 11th: Parent Support Group - 5:00 PM (online - Ms. Meghan's Zoom Room)

Wednesday, November 18th: Board Meeting - 5:00 PM (online - Ms. MaryAnn's Zoom Room)

FALL FESTIVAL AND A LONG WEEKEND ARE HERE!

AISN's annual FALL FESTIVAL is set for Wednesday, October 28th from 2:00 - 3:00 PM:

- **Costumes (optional):** Wear a costume to school or bring it to change into before the event!
- **Games:** Participate in various games and activities!
- **Treats:** Enjoy special treats!



DON'T FORGET THE LONG WEEKEND! School will be closed from Thursday, October 29th - Sunday, November 1st for a 4-day break. Take advantage of this time off from school to rest, relax, and rejuvenate. Get off your device and do something fun with family and friends. Not sure of what to do? Check out some ideas below.

Fun ideas to try over our 4-day break:

- Get outside - go to the beach/dunes to explore the beauty of Mauritania!
- Plant a garden at home.
- Play board games, card games, hide and seek, puzzles, legos, etc!
- Create an art project - coloring, painting, drawing, sculpting.
- Camp outside in your yard or on your rooftop and stargaze.
- Have a barbeque with family and friends.
- Go fishing at the beach.
- Cook or bake your favorite food or a new dish.
- Go on a scavenger hunt.
- Practice playing an instrument or singing your favorite song.
- Video chat with friends and family.
- Clean your room.
- Exercise - ride a bike, go for a walk/run at the stadium, do push-ups/sit-ups/jumping jacks.
- Help wash the car.
- Catch bugs and release them after observing them.
- Play with your pet.



AISN welcomes new Board members! During last week's Association Meeting, AISN Board members were officially confirmed. Our 2020-21 Board members are Aminata Ndiaye, President; Lindsey Johnson, Vice President; Joan Dodman, Secretary; Justin Prairie, Treasurer; Leila Bouamatou, Member at Large; Joe Knupp, American Ambassador's Representative. Thank you to all community members who participated in the election process as well as our Board members who are willing to step forward for the benefit of AISN. This past weekend, they participated in an intensive Board training to provide guidance and assistance as they govern AISN with their unique knowledge and expertise.



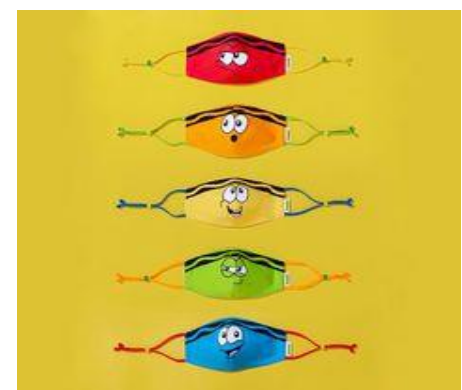
Public Speaking 101: Recently, in English class, Grade 6-7 students wrote personal narratives and then gave speeches based on their work. It was an opportunity for them to practice their public speaking skills, including: eye contact, voice projection, purposeful gestures, and more!

Pictured below from left to right: Jasmin (Gr. 6) presents about her first day of face-to-face learning this school year; Alex (Gr. 7) explains about giving a speech at his previous school after being named its salutatorian, and Jaynaba (Gr. 6) shares about the loss of her pet cat.



COVID-19 FACE MASK TIPS:

- Have a mask for each day of the week.
- Label the day on each mask for convenient use.
- Wash cloth masks after each use.
- According to the CDC, when not in use, face masks should be carefully folded so that the outer surface is held inward and against itself to reduce contact with the outer surface during storage.
- Store folded masks between uses in a clean sealable paper bag or breathable container.
- Label the day on the storage bags or containers for convenient use.



AISN has distributed several hundred masks to students and staff. Please contact Ms. Aicha if you need additional cloth masks.