

## Drama Bradley International School Newsletter Fall 2018

## Drama Teacher: Ms. Cress

The school year is off to a fantastic start! Here's what each grade level has been working on so far...

**Kindergarten:** We started off the year by designing Bradley Super Heroes. We have learned the tools that an actor uses: body, voice, imagination, focus and teamwork. We have acted out many of our favorite stories including <u>Pete the Cat</u>, <u>Going on a Bear Hunt</u>, and <u>Inside a House that is</u> <u>Haunted</u>. We will continue to focus on characters and settings as we explore more drama activities in the coming months.

**First Grade:** We began the school year with designing Bradley Super Heroes. Currently, we are learning the music and choreography for our Thanksgiving performance of <u>The Turkeys Go</u> on <u>Strike</u> which aligns with the Celebrations unit the students have been working on. The performance will be during the school day on November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Second Grade:** We started off the year creating Bradley Super Heroes. The kids were so creative! We have just started our author study of Robert Munch. Each class will be performing one of his stories. The performance is scheduled for November 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:45. More information to come.

**Third Grade:** We began the school year with a unit on masks and Commedia Dell'arte. Lots of fun! Then, each class auditioned for a role in their own performance of <u>Force and Motion</u>, a play which aligns with their physical science unit of inquiry. We are deep into rehearsal now.

**Fourth Grade:** We started off the year with a unit on masks and Commedia Dell'arte! Lots of fun! We just finished auditioning for our first performance of <u>Pandora's Socks</u>. A fun trip down the road of fractured Greek mythology. Each class will have their own performance date. More details to follow soon.

**Fifth Grade:** We began the year with a bang, <u>The Entire Revolutionary War in Forty Minutes</u> <u>or Less</u>, a humorous look at the events which led to the formation of our country. We had some fun with Commedia Dell'arte, building on what we learned in fourth grade. We are about to begin rehearsal of <u>The Internal Organ Hall of Fame</u>. This is a musical that supports their science unit on the human body.

Finally, the afterschool drama club will be performing <u>Law and Order: The Nursery Rhyme Unit</u>. A fun farce based on the TV show Law and Order. This performance will kick off our performance season on December 5th at 6:00 in the auditorium. Please come join the fun!

Thank you for all your support! I love working with your kids!!