



Room 104 has been celebrating positive behavior through the Solomon School Cougar Character program. Congratulations to Josselyne, Sebastian, Joanna, and Carlos! They were acknowledged during the Cougar Character assemblies for displaying positive behaviors such as responsibility, empathy, kindness & caring, and respect. The students receive these acknowledgements not only from me, but also from other teachers and school staff throughout the building. Way to go! All students in Room 104 will have more opportunities to demonstrate positive behaviors as we embark on our journey of learning through movement, theatrical adventure, and artistic expression during the third quarter. We are excited to participate in Young Athletes, Red Kite, and Gold Mind Arts! Read on to learn more....

Young Athletes

Special Olympics Young Athletes is a unique sport and play program for children with intellectual disabilities. The focus is on fun activities that are important to mental and physical growth. The students in Room 104 will get to enjoy games and activities in the classroom that develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination. Young Athletes is an early introduction to sports and to the world of Special Olympics. I am excited to include our students in this brand new program! (Students ages 8 and up may participate in Special Olympics while anyone age 7 and below may participate in Young Athletes). Please complete and return the registration form that has been sent home with your child. Thank you!

Red Kite

The Red Kite project creates theatrical adventures and dynamic learning experiences for children with autism. Red Kite is a branch of Chicago Children's Theatre and is committed to servicing children with special needs, especially autism. Room 104 will participate in the Red Kite classroom "Drama Time" beginning on February 12th. The sessions will be every Friday for eight weeks from 10:25am - 11:10am. The Red Kite adventures are multi-sensory theatrical experiences that incorporate into each performance the desires, needs, and whims unique to each of the students.

The names of the resident actors that will be working with us in Room 104 are Mr. Alex and Ms. Sarah. We are looking forward to learning from Mr. Alex and Ms. Sarah and we cannot wait to engage in "Drama Time"!

GoldMind Arts

Solomon is offering the GoldMind Arts program to all students during the school day beginning during the week of February 29th and will end during the week of May 12th. Room 104 will be assigned a resident artist to conduct a one-hour art workshop on Thursdays from 12:00pm - 1:00pm. Through enriching and stimulating art workshops, the students will gain valuable skills and have fun, all while creating art.

Remember the Rules!

Please continue to review and practice the following class rules regularly with your child:

- Keep your hands to yourself.
- Listen to your teachers.
- Stay in your seat.
- Stay with the group.
- Take turns and share.

Thank you!