

Solomon Principal Newsletter

January 8, 2024

Dear Solomon Family--

I hope everyone had a great holiday break, and I wish all of our families a Happy New Year. We are excited to return back to school at 9am on Monday, January 8, 2024.

In partnership,

Chris Gamble
Principal
Hannah G. Solomon Elementary School

News and Notes

- For families interested in signing up for our Winter OST (After-School) free, Solomon-led programming, sign up will start on January 8, 2024, with the application being sent via Snap at 5pm. The first week of programming is set to begin January 16. You can see our winter course offering sheet [here](#). If you have OST questions, please reach out to our coordinator, Mrs. Tamborino, at 773-534-5226.
- Congratulations to our Solomon Science Fair winners: 8th graders Emily, Mikayla, Josie, Michelle, Emma, and Maya, as well as 7th graders Octavian and Elsie. They will be participating in the network fair, with winners moving onto the city-wide fair later this spring. The district is looking for science fair judges, and if you are interested in assisting or learning more, please click [here](#).
- 2nd Quarter Report Cards will travel home with students on Friday, January 12.

Friends of Solomon School Parent Teacher Organization

- Our Friends of Solomon School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is a parent and staff leadership group that promotes community and supports Solomon in our strategic plan. Please click [here](#) to read more about their mission and vision, as well as the dates for many of this year's PTO-led events.
- Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 16, at 8am in the library.
- Our next sponsored event is the PTO Game Night on January 18, 2024 (5:30-7pm) in our gymnasium. It will be coupled with a Panner Bread Restaurant Giveback Night as well.
- Stay tuned for more winter fun in February 2024, including our first Family Dance.

Important Solomon Links

- To report a COVID-19 positive test, click [here](#).
- To find Solomon's breakfast and lunch menus, click [here](#) (search for "Solomon"). To learn more about the district's meals and nutrition program, click [here](#).
- To see our entry and exit procedures, please click [here](#).

- To find any Solomon staff member, their position, and their contact information, click [here](#) for our organizational chart.
- To register for before and/or after-school child care with the YMCA of Chicago, hosted in our lunchroom, please follow the directions in [this link](#).
- Please click [here](#) to read more about the differences between Level I and Level II volunteers and to complete the application process.
- To see our year-long community calendar, click [here](#).
- To see our year-long assessment calendar, click [here](#).
- Solomon spirit wear purchases can be made through our partner, Squadlocker. Check out unique Solomon gear [here](#).
- Student fees were approved by our Local School Council this past July. Please click [here](#) to see the student fee structure for this year and the methods of payment.
- Class supply lists are linked [here](#) and at our school website, [solomon.cps.edu](#).

School Calendars

- **January 8:** Start of the 3rd Quarter
- **January 12:** Report Card Distribution via kidmail
- **January 15:** No School (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)
- **January 16:** PTO (8am, library); PAC (4:15, room 112); LSC (5:30, library)
- **January 17:** BAC (9:15, library)
- **January 18:** Game Night (5:30, gym); Panera restaurant giveback (4:00-8:00, 6059 N. Lincoln)