



# Malletts Bay School Staff Newsletter

## Week of December 17, 2018

### Developing and Using Models in Science

Integrated Field Review on 1/24/19

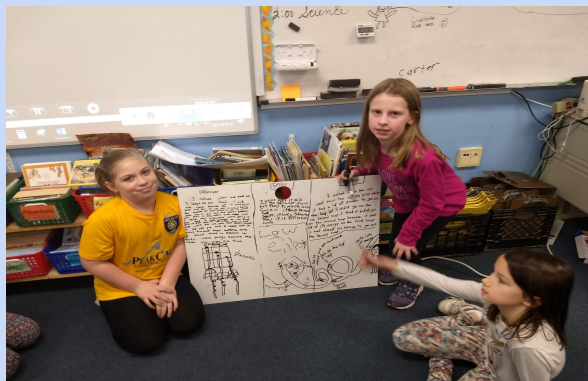
All CSD schools will be participating in the Integrated Field Review on January 24th. This means we'll have some fellow educators from nearby districts visiting us on the 24th. Plan to go about business as usual on January 24th. All CSD schools will be visited to provide commendations on our work and recommendations on how we can improve. This information will help us when we go to update our Continuous Improvement Plan.

After we return from the break, Jordan will provide more specifics about the integrated field review.

Here is a short video about the IFR from the Vermont AOE:

[AOE Video about Integrated Field Review](#)

Just like the CCSS math standards have a set of mathematical practices, the Next Generation Science Standards have a set of eight NGSS [Science and Engineering Practices](#). One of these practices is Developing and Using Models. In grades 3-5 this can look like drawing diagrams or creating physical replicas to aid in asking questions and generating explanations as well as to Communicate Information to Others, another Science and Engineering practice. Utilizing the large whiteboards allows students to generate models in science and engineering.

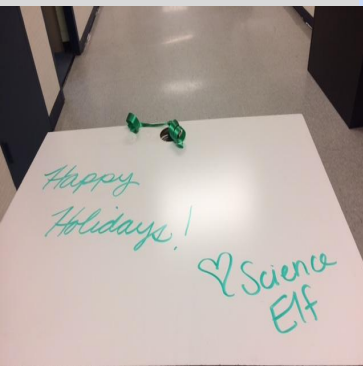


4th Graders Use Showerboards to draw models and demonstrate their thinking

The whiteboards can be used for more than just science instruction. The [Common Core Mathematical Practices](#) and the NGSS Practices have many similarities. The Common Core Math Practices include, "Model with Mathematics" and "Construct Viable Arguments and Critique the Reasoning of Others."

### Upcoming Professional Development

December 20	January 3	January 10
No Staff Meeting	PBIS	Collective Efficacy



"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." - Aesop



## Reminders and Upcoming Events

**Data on Sharepoint:** First trimester data is posted on sharepoint. Check out the “CSD SBAC Subscale” column in the Literacy Data. Sara Blake has been able to separate students into “M” for “meets” and “WT” for nearly meets..

**Schoolwide Movie Afternoon:** **This Thursday, December 20th beginning at 12:45** will be a schoolwide movie afternoon. In order to begin at 12:45, the lunch and recess schedule has been adjusted. [Lunch/Recess Schedule and Locations for Movie Afternoon](#) Please plan to be in one of the movie locations providing supervision unless it is during your planning time.

On Friday, an opt out form went home to families. Please fill out the following google form for any students who returned one of the opt out slips: [Movie Opt Out Form](#)

Thank you to the PBIS Celebrations Committee for their hard work planning this movie afternoon!

**Yearbook Pictures:** Our PTO is hard at work putting together the 2018 - 2019 Malletts Bay School Yearbook. Please share any pictures from this year in the yearbook folder: [MBS Yearbook Pictures](#)



### **Playground Reminders**

We've had an uptick in playground behaviors. Here's how you can help prevent problems on the playground:

- 1. Remind students to walk away from problems or use “rock-paper-scissors” to solve disagreements.**
- 2. Acknowledge students with tokens for safe respectful and responsible playground behavior**
- 3. Make sure at least one adult provides active supervision next to gaga ball during recess.**



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**Getting a Message to Brooke or Jordan:** If you need to get a message to Brooke or Jordan during the school day and we are not in our offices, please leave a message with Pam or Jeanne if it needs to be resolved within the next 24 hours. Otherwise, please send an email or place a note in one of our boxes. We'll respond to emails and notes before 8:00 am the next school day. We regularly check email and our boxes first thing in the morning and at the close of the school day.

**Reporting Injuries:** Accidents sometimes happen. Please report any injuries, even small ones to Josie if it occurs while you are at work. Josie can help you determine if an accident report needs to be completed.

**No Team Time Week of December 17:** We will not have team time the week of December 17. We will still have enrichment that week.

**Bowling Information:** Our January celebration will be Bowling at Spare Time. Classroom teachers, place your students in groups of 5 and email the list to Stephanie Miller as soon as possible. Here is the [bowling logistics doc](#)

**Fourth Grade NAEP:** Fourth grade will be administering the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) on **February 18, 2019**. Please make note of the date. More details will follow.

### Upcoming Dates and Events

December 20: PBIS Movie Day Celebration

January 10: All School Meeting

December 21: Ilze Luneau Assembly 2:00

January 17 & 18: PBIS Bowling Celebration

December 24 - January 1: School Recess

January 24: Integrated Field Review

February 1: World Read Aloud Day

February 18: Fourth Grade NAEP