

# THE DAROFF DISPATCH



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## UPCOMING EVENTS AT VIRTUAL UDCS:

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

- No school for scholars on Monday 1/18/21 in observance of MLK day!



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Universal Daroff Weekly Updates for Week of January 18, 2021

*Updates from Dr. Ruffin & the leadership team:*

Affirmation of the Week:

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.” -Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**UNIVERSAL FAMILY OF SCHOOLS**  
**FAMILIES CAN PICK UP BULK MEALS**  
**BREAKFAST & LUNCH EVERY MONDAY**  
**8:00AM - 12:00PM**  
**At the following locations:**  
**Audenried | Bluford**  
**Creighton | Daroff**  
**Alcorn & Vare can pick up at Audenried.**  
**UICS can pick up at any location.**  
All families who attend Universal Family of Schools must provide the scholars name and a photo ID to verify they are the parent/guardian.

**Attention Parents!**

**Bulk meals are available for families every Monday at Daroff!**



**This week we will celebrate the life and achievement of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Here are some of our favorite MLK quotes!**

“The time is always right to do what’s right.”

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question, What are you doing for others?”

Teacher of the Week 1/4/21



Teacher of the Week 1/11/21



Ms. Bryce, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Ms. Bryce has shown patience, determination and dedication as a strong & innovative teacher at UDCS. She goes above and beyond to help her 5<sup>th</sup> grade scholars learn from home. Her work from home "classroom" brings her teaching to life. Her rapport with her kids makes it easy to learn and her colleagues can always count on her to lend a helping hand! You are appreciated, Ms. Bryce!



Ms. Robinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher

Ms. Robinson is an incredible teacher through and through. She brings passion, energy, love, humor, and creativity to her classroom. Her students' love of learning is evident upon entering her learning environment. She is the epitome of resilience when faced with challenges, and she shows up every day prepared for a wonderful day of learning. Thank you for everything you do, Ms. Robinson!

Parents of the Week

These two women are doing the impossible during this very challenging year – they are both UDCS educators and mothers. It is no secret that being a mother is incredibly hard work, and now with virtual learning and homeschooling it is harder than ever. Not only do Ms. Hatchett and Ms. Woodson go above and beyond to advocate for their own children, stay on top of their studies and ensure that they are succeeding in classes, they do it for the scholars at Daroff as well. Balancing being an effective parent and employee cannot possibly be easy, but these women make it look like a cinch. UDCS appreciates the both of you for doing all that you do, day in and day out to make our school a better place.



Lashanna Woodson, parent of Azoura Freeman & UDCS Classroom Assistant

Diamond Hatchett, parent of Donveil Hatchett & UDCS Classroom Assistant



## Scholars of the Week



### Nyasir Butler, Grade 5

“Nyasir consistently turns in solid work. When he doesn’t understand something, he makes a point to ask questions that are beneficial to the entire class. If he is ever absent, he always gets his work done on time. He is a model student and a joy to teach!” -Mrs. O’Brien



### Reesce Haynes, Grade 6

“This guy has an infectious enthusiasm that brightens the days of his teachers. He is always participating, hilarious, and makes the class a lot of fun!”  
-Mrs. D’Alonzo



### Aniyah Clark, Grade 3

“This young lady is so bright and always willing to help everybody, even the teacher! I love her!” -Ms. Woodson



## This week, take a few moments to...

- Practice self-care! Refer to our January self-care calendar on the next page!
- Ask for help if you need it
- Tell someone how much you love and/or appreciate them
- Lend a helping hand to someone in need
- Drink lots of water, get good rest, and get outside in the fresh air!
- Set goals for next week – what is it that you want to accomplish?



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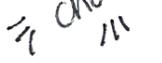
# Self-Care CALENDAR

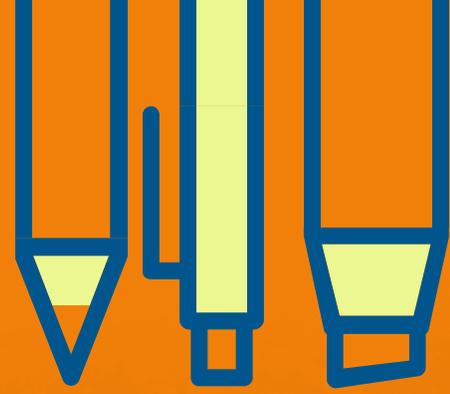
# January

"an empty lantern provides no light"



2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31					1  Write down your self care goals	2 take a walk in nature 
3  COMPLIMENT YOURSELF	4 Spend 30 minutes ALONE	5 Create a self-care playlist 	6 Read a book 	7 Try some YOGA	8 Take a bath 	9 Sleep in! ZZZ
10 Write down 10 things you are grateful for 	11  Do a digital detox	12 Draw, paint, or doodle 	13 MEDITATION 	14  HUG	15  NAP	16 Cook your favorite meal 
17  Drink some water	18  Get some SUN!	19 ORGANIZE A CLUTTERED SPACE 	20 dance during chores 	21 Say NO 	22 STRETCH 20 min	23 Get a massage 
24 Write your own affirmation	25 SWEAT 	26 Clean out a closet 	27 LEARN A NEW GAME 	28 Go to bed early 	29 Buy yourself some flowers 	30 Reflect on your accomplishments 



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## I-READY MINUTE MASTERS

WEEK: 1/11 - 1/15

READING: 3RD GRADE, NEVEAH KING, 160 MINUTES

MATH: 2ND GRADE, JANASIA BANKS, 190 MINUTES

### READING PER GRADE

K --> JYSIR NORMAN

1 --> MAMOUDOU E. DIALLO

2 --> KINGSLEY AHERN

3 --> NEVEAH KING

4 --> MATTHEW TAYLOR-KEELEY

5 --> JA'SHON PINCKNEY

6 --> REESCE HAYNES

7 --> C'NIYAH LEE



### MATH PER GRADE

K --> ANDREW ATKINS JR.

1 --> MAMOUDOU E. DIALLO

2 --> JANASIA BANKS

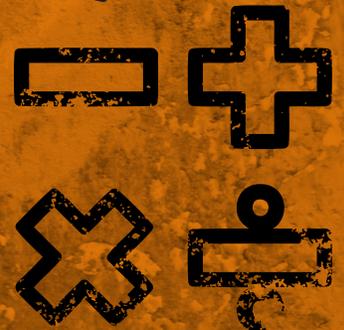
3 --> MANDELL BENTLEY

4 --> MCKENZIE NOLLEY-WHITE

5 --> JOSHUA COTTOY

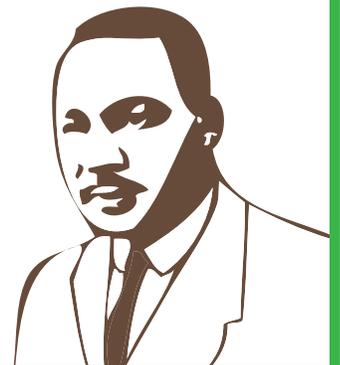
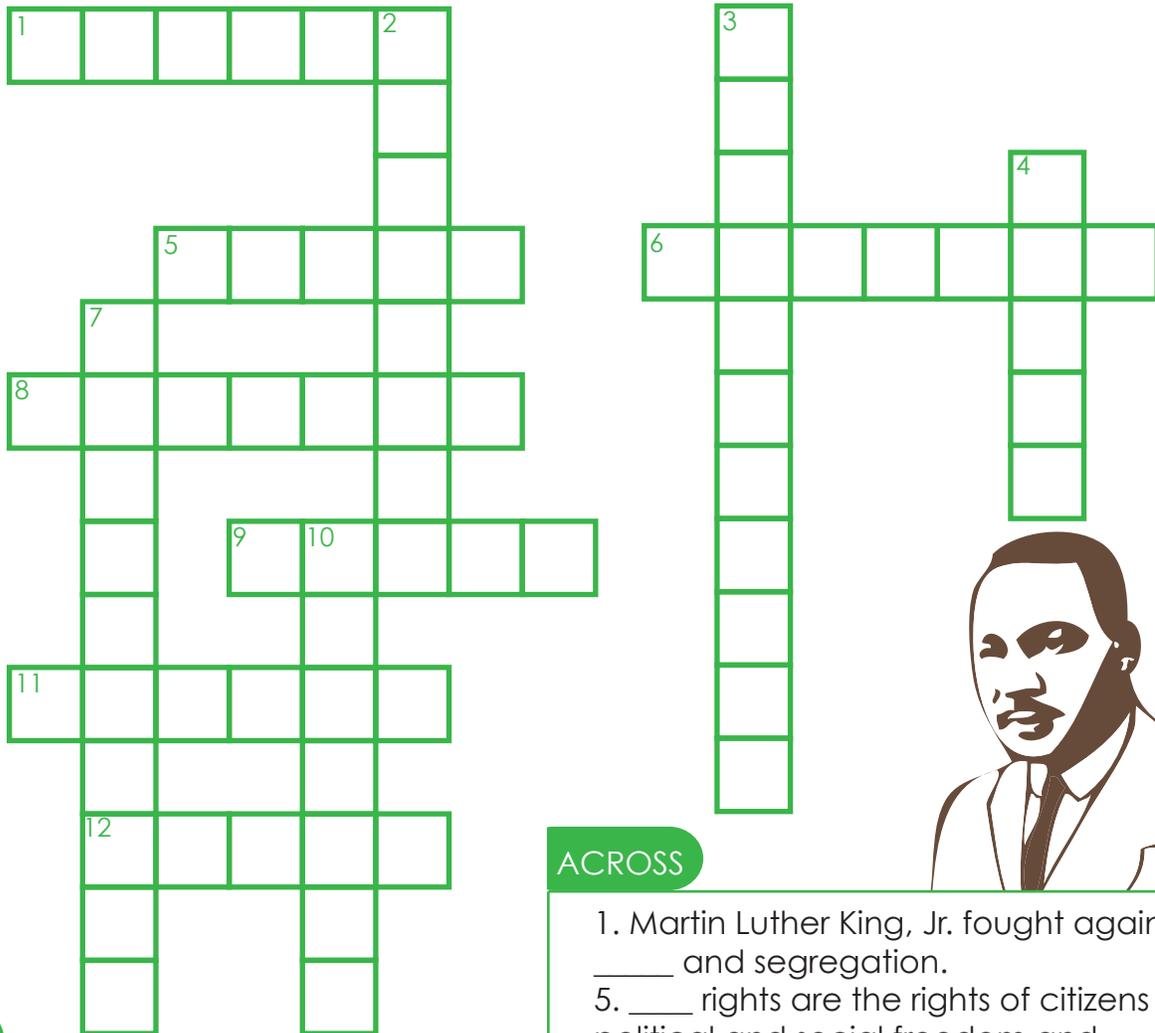
6 --> LOGAN LEWIS

7 --> LORI TRELLOPOULOS



# HOLIDAYS

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



### DOWN

2. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a Christian \_\_\_\_\_ who worked for equal rights.
3. Enforced separation of different racial groups.
4. "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the \_\_\_\_\_ of their skin but by the content of their character."
7. Inspired by Gandhi's peaceful protest, Martin Luther King, Jr. supported \_\_\_\_\_ protest.
10. He was a minister in Montgomery, \_\_\_\_\_.

### ACROSS

1. Martin Luther King, Jr. fought against \_\_\_\_\_ and segregation.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ rights are the rights of citizens to political and social freedom and equality.
6. The power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint.
8. The Montgomery Bus \_\_\_\_\_ was a political and social protest campaign against the city's racial segregation of the bus system.
9. He led a peaceful \_\_\_\_\_ of a quarter million people, on Washington, DC.
11. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is on the third \_\_\_\_\_ of January.
12. He fought for \_\_\_\_\_ rights so that everybody would be treated the same.