Special Edition: Trimester I Awards
December 2021

The Unveiling of the Trimester I Award Winners!

Special Inside Look at Some of Klockner’s Best Writers.

Exclusive Surprise Interview!

Important Family Updates

And . . .

The Klockner School Principal’s Spotlight from Dr. LaShawn Gibson
Klockner School is full of so many amazing kids who display great character on a daily basis. Our Student of the Month Awards are presented to those students who have demonstrated all our Klockner K.A.R.E.S. Character Traits the most consistently each month. Here at Klockner we expect all of our students and staff to be kind, have a positive attitude, show each other respect, give our best effort and always think about safety first.

**September S.O.M.**
- **Kindergarten:** Kennedy Ketterer and Emilio Ayala
- **1st Grade:** Kihanny Bonilla Torres and Sergio Gonzalez
- **2nd Grade:** Amare Phillips and Camille Hendricks
- **3rd Grade:** Malikah Dawarzai and Alex Weise
- **4th Grade:** Sofia Fresolone and Arabella Ploth
- **5th Grade:** Sundeep Sandhu and Atif Arif

**October S.O.M.**
- **Kindergarten:** Bella Contreras and Ella Sammons
- **1st Grade:** Victoria Rodriguez and Rylan Pieslak
- **2nd Grade:** Gamila Saad and Scarlett George
- **3rd Grade:** Emmanuel Mbaye and George Piccinetti
- **4th Grade:** Mahogany Blount and Jordan Sandoval
- **5th Grade:** Natalie Wiebesiek and Peyton Piccinetti

**November S.O.M.**
- **Kindergarten:** Manuel Melvin and Brea Ackerman
- **1st Grade:** Amparo Hidalgo and Nicoletta Bajek
- **2nd Grade:** Jennifer Toscano and Evan Feil
- **3rd Grade:** Arianna Alvarex-Balarezo and Ayan Farooq
- **4th Grade:** Cahmei Porter and Alexis Seelley
- **5th Grade:** Elizabeth Bol Sarat and Luke Franicevich
See, when I was younger I was a straight A student. Now I’m not bragging or anything, oh woah definitely NOT. I literally hated it. I still do. Teachers were always smothering me with love, and being recognised as “teachers’ pet.” Yeah sure teachers viewed me as a flawless angel, one that could never do anything wrong. If I ever said or did anything wrong, as long as no one had any kind of proof then I’m all good. Not that I did anything wrong, of course not, noooo, me? Never. Me being the perfect human that I am (in the public’s eyes at least) I thought my parents would always love me more than my siblings. That was a dream of mine that never came true. When I was about 15 I started ignoring and disobeying my parents and let my grades flop stop and drop. In less than a couple months my grades were at an F on average, I had 4 hidden piercings that did end up getting discovered and I had gotten a speeding ticket from driving a car without my licence and speeding, of course. When my parents found out I was in humongous trouble. Now, let me give you some “Behind the Scenes” details about the world I live in before I continue. I live on Mars while some people live on Jupiter and some live on Saturn (I don’t know how). Earth can no longer sustain life, in other words, Earth was exploded by the people in the most power.

I don’t know how or why, don’t ask me, ask the people that did it or something. Continuing on, on Mars parents get to choose their kids’ jobs. They get to pick it at all times, ages, etc. School districts give suggestions based on academic knowledge of the kid and what the kid borderline enjoys. Now to be honest, there is a good reason. This is because on earth the wrong people got in the wrong positions of power so everything went wrong and then the downfall began, that’s what they are trying to prevent on Mars, but my parents completely ignored what the district of my school would say.

“He should be a teacher or a scientist.” Those were the top suggestions. I ended up getting to be an astronaut as punishment, one of the only jobs I never wanted. They warned me but I didn’t listen. I got into a huge fight with my parents when they found out.

Later after hours, or days, I don’t even know anymore of fighting, time blurred together. I ended up going and finding out the names of my coworkers and finding out what my first trip will be. Since I am just so amazing and smart and coordinated, with just a little practice I was allowed to go to Strimbricate. That’s the planet’s name. Strimbricate. Within just 3 months of training, Strimbricate, here I come.
“First mission, commence!”

As we all first got strapped in for lift off everyone was so excited.

“Just 2 hours of sitting here then we can go blast off!” exclaimed my coworker, Ted.

I was the only one that was nervous, not because I had just finished arguing with my parents and was still reliving those moments, it’s because I had lied. On my resume I had written “I am sure that I can also qualify for this position because I have no allergies and no health conditions.”

I wrote that with confidence at the time, not anymore. On Strimbricate there are many overlapping lines of different terrain, fields, mountains and more. The terrain line we are landing on is a field of thick, uncut, pollen infested grass. By the way, I’m deathly allergic to pollen.

“Not sure how this is gonna go, definitely not good though.” I whispered to myself. I knew I was in big trouble right when I found out it was Strimbricate that we were going to. I dug myself into a deep hole that I have no chance of getting out of alive. I kept quiet though, knowing it would upset my parents even more and they would definitely find a worse position. At this point, in my eyes, death was better. Better than dealing with my parents.

“Blast off in 3.. 2.. 1.. G000!”

My heart was racing, knowing it will only get worse from this point moving forward. There’s no going back. My palms were sweaty and I was breathing heavily. More than usual. The trip is only 30 days along and that’s pretty short considering we’re going through space. Upon arrival, I began to pass out. I felt lightheaded and began to feel like i’m dreaming. Nothing felt real.

“Man Down Man Down!” a coworker shouted.

I couldn’t see, feel, smell, move, or anything.

I was.. dead. I had just experienced death. This was the end.

At least I thought.

“Hes awake everyone! Hes awake!”

Mumbling then silence struck the room after that string of words.

I felt like falling back to what seemed like a forever time loop of sleep. A painless, motionless, and just a senseless time loop of sleep. At that moment in time I didn’t want to come back or stay alive. I regained my senses after minutes of laying there with my eyes closed, just thinking.
I opened my eyes, the first things I saw were 4, 5, or maybe even 6 bright green figures standing beside my bed in long white what seemed to be lab coats. They were mumbling to each other in some other language. “Gooby Barsie Boo Beep Boppy Lingeratru.” announced one of the figures. I was still half blind, my vision being remarkably blurry. They all had different lengths of coats, some short, some long, but none the same length. Some of my coworkers came in shortly after I awakened. Right as everyone came in they treated me like I was an angel sent from above, or just a really fragile kid. I got up onto my feet with the help of the green figures. They felt a lot like ice. The texture and temperature. At this point I had put the puzzle pieces together and figured out these were probably aliens. The aliens helped me walk, run, jump, and become stable mobility wise overall and they never spoke to any of us humans.

“Goob Friss Risinitycap saldoe yona”

One alien with the longest coat commanded the shorter coat aliens. It seemed like the longer the coat, the more you do as an alien nurse or doctor.

It took awhile for me to get back to full stability and be able to travel again. I was kept with the aliens while the other astronauts came back and forth to Strimbricate, setting up cities and towns. Bobby Jones, one of my coworkers, explained to me that I am no longer allergic to pollen. I died and the aliens resurrected me, and it had been 27 years that I spent on Strimbricate with aliens. 3 more years to go and I will be allowed to go home to Mars. It hit me like a wrecking ball when I was presented the information but I handled it pretty well. All the way in 5030, I can go home to Mars.
Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that’s 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.

Klockner School Attendance 2021-2022 as of 12/1/21

- Pre-K = 84.5%
- Kindergarten = 90.5%
- 1st Grade = 91.9%
- 2nd Grade = 92.9%
- 3rd Grade = 96.7%
- 4th Grade = 93.1%
- 5th Grade = 96.1%

Who Can Read on Grade Level After 3rd Grade?

- Of kids with good attendance in K and 1st (missed 9 or fewer days both years), 84%
- Of kids with at-risk attendance (missed more than 9 days both years), 43%
- Of kids chronically absent in K or 1st (missed 18 or more days one year), 41%
- Of kids chronically absent in K and 1st (missed 18 or more days both years), 17%

As of 12 - 1 - 2021

Students with 100% attendance

Pre-K & Kindergarten

- Zoey
- Aiman
- Kalimah
- Abigail
- Emily
- Liberty
- Alexander
- Alexandra
- Ella

1st Grade

- Amparo
- Joshua
- Ariel
- Muzammil
- Kihanny

2nd Grade

- Rumessa
- Alexander
- Saifullah
- Annie
- Gamila
- Evelyn
- Daniel

3rd Grade

- Amr
- Muhammad
- George
- Hibbah
- Naomi
- Aileen
- Anya
- Mariela
- Grace
- Brayden
- Julianna
- Ayan
- Daniela
- Emmanuel

4th Grade

- Moustafa
- Jonathan
- Asadullah
- Izabel
- Melody
- Alexis

5th Grade

- Atif
- Peyton
- Sundeep
- Mason
- Kamryn
- Adam
- Kaniz
- Natalie
- Angel
- Emaan
- Edwin
- Lucia
- Shane
Trimester I
Academic Achievement Award

THE KLOCKNER SCHOOL
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

WOW!

Kindergarten
Alex Groza
and
Suzana Ahmed
1st Grade
Mason Kamrad
and
Joshua Mbaye
2nd Grade
Benjamin Anthonio
and
Isabel Valdez

3rd Grade
Aileen Guerra-Delcid
and
Jasmine Johnson
4th Grade
Aralynn Espinosa
and
Arabella Ploth
5th Grade
Maylid Chicas
and
Atif Arif
5th Grade Interviews

“The Pandemic Experience”

Luke

Q) What do you remember about how it felt to have remote learning when it first started?
A) It felt weird to not be able to see my friends because we weren’t in school and it felt weird to not be inside the classroom.

Q) How would you describe what last school year was like for you?
A) Very Weird! Because I was remote most of the year and then I came back towards the end of the year and it was weird but I eventually got used to it.

Q) How does it feel to be back in school everyday?
A) It feels better than being remote because I can see my friends and we have recess together. I can see my teacher in person and it is so much easier to learn in person.

Q) What is one thing that you learned from your experiences over the last two years?
A) You really miss your friends when you can’t see them for a while.

Peyton

Q) What do you remember about how it felt to have remote learning when it first started?
A) Was devastating for the fact that I wasn’t going to be at school and see my friends. Which also made the work very complicated. Life also really changed as we had never had to wear a mask before that.

Q) How would you describe what last school year was like for you?
A) I was never hybrid, I wanted to be hybrid to see my teacher and friends. I stayed remote for the entire year which was very hard because I was really tired of sitting in a chair all day and staring at a screen.

Q) How does it feel to be back in school everyday?
A) It feels great. It is amazing to see my teachers, see all my friends every day and I actually get to learn by touching and being present.

Q) What is one thing that you learned from your experiences over the last two years?
A) Math is a lot easier in person. Online it was so complicated and frustrating.

Elizabeth

Q) What do you remember about how it felt to have remote learning when it first started?
A) I remember the whole class being so happy that it was going to happen. Like no school for at least two weeks sounded amazing.

Q) How would you describe what last school year was like for you?
A) I went into school which was fun to finally talk to people besides for my family and to make friends again without having a screen in front of me. I felt happy.

Q) How does it feel to be back in school everyday?
A) The 1st I got up no problem. I started to really like school, it was now fun. I loved coming back. School is easier being here too!

Q) What is one thing that you learned from your experiences over the last two years?
A) Without school things would be much harder. Online school was hard, I had to help my brother and sister too. Too much no school was no good. It was crazy.

Angel

Q) What do you remember about how it felt to have remote learning when it first started?
A) I was confused because I wasn’t sure why we had to do the work on a computer and couldn’t come to school.

Q) How would you describe what last school year was like for you?
A) I was hybrid in section A. I was in a class with 4 people so it was less fun as I didn’t get to talk with most of my classmates.

Q) How does it feel to be back in school everyday?
A) I feel happy because I can talk to all my classmates and I have a lot of fun being in school.

Q) What is one thing that you learned from your experiences over the last two years?
A) Being remote for 2 years starts fun but it gets boring fast!
The End

Math Saves the World

This is Earth

The power of Math!

With the power of math you can do anything!

The End

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Trimester I
Most Improved Student Award

Kindergarten
AJay Sequinot
and
Tapsiru Deen Turay

1st Grade
Elias Pough
and
Lennon Caruso

2nd Grade
Gavin McGrath
and
Cayden Hickmond

3rd Grade
Elias Ousley
and
Anya Groza

4th Grade
Moustafa Ahmed
and
Owen Jordan

5th Grade
Logan Farr
and
Joshua Lockhart
“You got this, Brielle!” I shouted from the dugout at my home field HGSA (Hamilton girls softball Association).

My team, the Hamilton Hurricanes, had made it to the championship game of the 2021 Pink tournament. The pink tournament was a fundraiser to raise money for breast cancer. It was the first inning and my team was up at bat. One of my teammates Brielle was up at the plate. My team’s head coach, coach Henry, was giving my teammate a boost of confidence. Although, I don’t think the Hurricanes needed confidence, we just needed hope. The other team was good but so were we.

Just then I heard a Clunk, YES I thought we had a runner on base. Watch out Bordentown Bomers we’re coming for you.

After Brielle two more of my teammates stepped up to the plate. They both had clean hits. Now it was my turn. “You can do this,” I thought to myself. We had two other games before this and I had struck out in both games. I can do this, I can do this” I thought repeatedly. I was nervous.

As the first pitch was thrown out I could not stop thinking that I was going to strike out. Just then I heard my teammates cheering “You got this Gabby we believe in you.” Thump was all I heard as the hard, thick ball hit the catcher’s heavy glove. The ball was two high, which meant it was a ball. If I got three more of those I could get on base without hitting the ball, but I was desperate for a hit.

The next ball that came to me went flying across the plate. It was a strike, although I did not hit it. It made a thump in the catcher’s glove. As the catcher threw it back to the pitcher I heard coach Henry say “stay calm you got this” he yelled just then the ball went zipping at me. Clink the ball went flying up the middle. As I started running down the first base line my coach yelled “Go two I knew you could do it” he said in an excited voice. I knew I could do it in my heart, I just needed a little confidence.

At the end of the championship game the score was 9-8 we had lost by one run. My team moped out of the dugout and two of my teammates were crying. It was the first tournament tougher and we wanted to bring a win home, but it was something my coach said that changed my point of view, “We did are best and had an amazing time” he said “We all came here to have fun and play the sport we love” He told my team in a sweet, calm voice. Then I thought back to everything that happened today. I had a good hit, I got to cheer on my teammates, and most importantly I got to play the sport I love. That’s all that matters.
Just SIP It
Don’t Flip It
If you
First, I would like to take the time to thank all of our parents, staff, and community for coming together in order to make each day for our children feel as normal as possible. Since March of 2020, the world has been anything besides normal. Here at Klockner though, we’ve simply taken it day by day and been flexible in order to do what is needed for our children. Thank you for doing your part.

Secondly, I would like to recognize all of our student body for your hard work this school year. Our students have done a phenomenal job adjusting back to everyday life in the classroom. It is very hard to believe that twenty-one months ago we went on remote learning. All of our lives were forever changed.

While each and every one of our students deserves to be commended for their efforts this school year, there are several recognition awards we give out to students at the end of each trimester. Our first award is the Most Improved Student Award, which may be given to either a student who has shown a large transformation with their behavior or to a student who has made amazing strides academically. In addition, each classroom has a Student of the Month, which is selected from our students who have done a tremendous job representing our K.A.R.E.S. traits and who have shown great character. Lastly, there is our Academic Achievement Award, which is given to a student who has displayed mastery of the grade-level academic standards.

For all of our students that have received an award this trimester, I would like to personally congratulate you on your achievements. We are so proud of you. Please continue to be kind to one another, have a positive attitude, show respect to your classmates, teachers, and parents. Always remember to give your best effort and to make decisions that will keep yourself and others safe.

Congratulations again to all of our winners and I look forward to seeing all of the hard work our students produce in trimester II.
Kindness

- Having or showing a gentle nature and a desire to help others: wanting and liking to do good things and to bring happiness to others.

Considerate  Thoughtful

Courteous  Understanding

Friendly  Congenial

Gentle  Obliging

Gracious  Neighborly
ATTITUDE

- the way you think and feel about someone or something

Approach
Perspective
Demeanor
Temperament
Mindset
Disposition
Mood
Standpoint
Opinion
Stance
Respect

- A feeling or understanding that someone or something is important and should be treated in an appropriate way.

Appreciation
Adoration
Consideration
Courteous
Dignity
Gracious
Recognition
Polite
Reverence
Obedient
Effort

- A serious attempt to do something.

Attempt  Accomplishment
Intention  Discipline
Production  Strive
Struggle  Energy
Training  Application
Safety

- A place that is free from harm or danger: A safe place.

Freedom

Protected

Shelter

Unthreatened

Assurance

Okay

Secure

Invulnerable

Sanctuary

Unharmed
Thank you for Supporting KLOCKNER MAGAZINE and supporting all of our students!
Please let us know if you enjoyed this special edition issue and if you have any ideas for a segment that we can add for a future issue of the magazine. Please send your feedback to klockner@htsdnj.org. As we ask of our students, please keep comments and suggestions positive as we’re doing our best to celebrate and honor our student body. We’d like to wish all of our Klockner Community a happy and healthy winter break.