Highlights for January 16-22, 2011

Students who are learning Mandarin Chinese in Washington High will be telling stories and performing for fourth grade students from Starr King Elementary, who are also learning Mandarin. Three classic Chinese folktales, The Empty Pot, The Money Tree, and The Magic Paintbrush will be part of the program. This is the second year that the immersion programs at both schools are partnering with the Asian Art Museum to hold this event.

When: Wednesday, January 19 / 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Where: Asian Art Museum / 200 Larkin St.

Students at Garfield Elementary will be treated to a one-of-a-kind concert dubbed “Around the World with Kronos” from the Kronos Quartet, with several short pieces originating from different parts of the world including Africa, China, India, Australia, Mexico and the U.S. The quartet tours internationally, and strives to reach audiences of all ages.

When: Thursday, January 20 / 9:15 a.m.
Where: Garfield ES / 420 Filbert St.

It’s all about respect at Everett and AP Giannini Middle Schools this week. At Everett, staff will be ‘swearing’ and behaving badly in skit performances to show how reacting poorly to a situation can lead to more trouble, and then modeling ways to react for a better outcome. At A.P. Giannini, students will be encouraged to smile at each other all day, guessing teacher’s smiles from up-close photos for prizes, and creating sidewalk art of their individual peace pledges. Respect Week is being celebrated at schools throughout SFUSD to focus on diversity, tolerance, conflict resolution and bullying prevention, and is part of the district’s Violence Prevention month.

A.P. Giannini MS event / 3151 Ortega St / Thursday, January 20 / 12:00-12:50 p.m.
Everett MS event / 450 Church St. / Friday, January 21 / 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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