



**MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATES**  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2018

Dear caregivers and parents,

Welcome to the last full week of school for the 2018 side of the school year. Although we are close to the Winter Recess break the classrooms and students are still busy with all sorts of important academic activities. I trust you read last week's note that shared a short summary of our literacy activities.

I thought I would use this week's notes to focus on Spanish instruction. I appreciate the inquiries from parents looking for ideas to better support our students learning Spanish. As always, the best place to start is with our teachers. Here are some of their suggestions that I hope will help you at home:

- Quizlet is a program easily accessed through the internet at home.
- Raz-Kids is a program that easily levels reading passages for a student's ability and offers the reading passages in both English and Spanish. Accessible through the McPolin webpage under the "Students" tab by clicking on the "Quick Links" link.
- Watch movies in Spanish! There are a lot of kid friendly Spanish options on Netflix and other TV apps. Also, many televisions can be easily adjusted to a specific language. How fun would it be for your student to watch their favorite Disney movie in Spanish?!
- Keep checking the McPolin Elementary website. We are in the process of adding programs to support Spanish language acquisition.

As you use some of these resources let us know, we would love to know if they were helpful.

As always, we welcome your input and hope you contact teachers or the front office with any questions, concerns, or clarifications.

Sincerely,  
Bob Edmiston

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

- **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 3:15pm- Preliminary Geography Bee for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders**
- **Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 3:15pm- Geography Bee for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders**
- **Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> 8:30am- Holiday Sing Along as well as a performance by the Park City High School dance team**