



Acadia in the Winter

## Acadia Team Newsletter February 9, 2024

### On the Horizon:

- 2/17 to 2/25 February Vacation
- 2/28 and 3/7 Parent Teacher Conferences 3-7 PM
- 2/29 \*\* note new date\*\*  
Community Conversations about *Night and Man's Search for Meaning* 9:30 AM (part of community cafe), evening option at 7 PM. Parents and community members are welcome to participate
- Winter Carnival Week: After vacation!
- 3/1 Winter Carnival Assembly

Needs on-team:

All set! Thank you!

### In our classes:

#### 20th Century Change & Challenge:



This week was about life during the 1930's. Dealing with the Dust Bowl and the Depression. FDR's election brought some hope, the banks are kept from total failure and some the government has put millions back to work. But Communists and Fascists claimed the answer to American problems. In scary times the voices of Demagogues and others with simple answers are attractive. Meanwhile, the world is edging towards war while the US stays focused on its own problems.

... and the Wolf chewed up the children and spit out their bones ...  
But those were Foreign Children and it really didn't matter."



**20th Century Conflict:** We are looking at the expansion and aggression of Germany in the lead-up to WWII. Key topics have been appeasement, isolationism and how they played into the expansion of Germany, Japan and Italy. We are now into the start of the War.

**The Last of Human Freedoms & Never Fail to Protest:**

We're preparing for our book circles with the community. Students have finished *Night* by Elie Wiesel and we're tackling *Man's Search for Meaning* a little bit each day. This week, students have been answering discussion questions about *Night* and seeking textual evidence to support their answers. We've also been looking for Notice and Note Signposts in our reading to help us find clues to the text's theme and conflicts.

