

THE STARLIGHT EXPRESS FEBRUARY 2017



HOME OF THE STARS!

MAIN OFFICE 278-7900

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DEAR PARENTS, GUARDIANS, AND FRIENDS,

January 30th is the beginning of the 30-week marking period. Twenty-week report cards will be mailed home on Friday, February 10th for grades 3-6. Grades K-2 report 2nd trimester report cards will be mailed home March 24th. It's hard to believe that the school year is half over.

Parent /Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday, February 22nd from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Parent Education Group Easter Candy

Sale is in full swing. This is a full-school fundraiser. The sale ends on February 9th. The candy will be delivered on March 21st. Participation is voluntary but remember that all profits will go directly to your



child's classroom. Have you read a

book with your child lately? If not, please do so! It pays off in the long run.

Mrs. Coty,
Principal



79TH ST. SCHOOL'S
ANNUAL BASKET
AUCTION IS :
March 24

CogAT Testing is coming up in March; more details in March Newsletter

NO SCHOOL

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ARE ON WEDNESDAY,

FEBRUARY 22ND

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT

1:00 TO 4:00 PM & 5:00 TO 7:00 PM

278-7900



Pajama Day on January 27th raised \$261.45 !!!

BOX TOPS NEWS

The payout check in December for Box Tops collected from March 2016 to November 2016 to 79th Street School was \$557.90 Keep them coming in. Thank you.





CELL PHONE RULES

Attention Parents!!!!!!
As I'm sure you are aware, the District has a cell phone policy. Due to recent issues with many students and cell phones, I find it necessary to review the guidelines regarding their use.

Cell phones must be put away and **turned off** at all times. Students **MAY NOT** make or receive calls or send and receive texts, take pictures or videos on school property or while riding District bus transportation.

District policy states that at the **FIRST infraction** for (including but not limited to) having phone on and out, making or receiving calls and texts: Immediate confiscation of the cellular telephone, wireless communication device, or

any other electronic device from the student, **Returned to identified owner by the main office and/or their designee at the conclusion of the school day.** Parent/guardian to be notified and informed regarding penalties for repeat offenses. (Other infractions may result in other disciplinary consequences or confiscation with a return to parent only)

Second Infraction - Immediate confiscation of the cellular telephone, wireless communication device, or any other electronic device. At the discretion of the administrator, student is subject to a short-term suspension not to exceed five days. Cellular telephone, wireless communication device, or



any other electronic device **returned to the parent/guardian of the student**

upon their request and retrieval. Parent/guardian to again be notified and informed regarding penalty for repeat offense.

Third Infraction - Immediate confiscation of the cellular telephone, wireless communication device, or any other electronic device. At the discretion of the administrator, student is subject to a short-term or long term suspension. Cellular telephone, wireless communication device, or any other electronic device returned to the parent/guardian of the student upon their request and **retrieval at the conclusion of the school year.**

THE 79TH STREET SCHOOL COMMUNITY WILL PROVIDE "LEARNING FOR ALL, WHATEVER IT TAKES." TO ENSURE THAT ALL OUR STUDENTS MEET OR EXCEED LOCAL AND STATE STANDARDS. TO PREPARE EVERY STUDENT FOR THE NEXT LEVEL OF LEARNING IN A POSITIVE, ENJOYABLE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

- February 14th **Wear Red and/or Pink Day**
- February 24th **Favorite Sports Team Day**
- March 2nd **Silly Hat Day (Dr.Suess B-Day)**
- March 4th **Tie and/or Suspenders Day**
- March 31st **Fancy Dress Up Day**
- April 7th **Dress Like a Rock Star Day**
- May 12th **Favorite Superhero Day**
- May 26th **Favorite Character Day**
- June 16th **Patriotic Day**



PHYSICAL EDUCATION (A MOVING EXPERIENCE)

Dear Families,

I hope your summer was enjoyable and safe for you and your family. The new school year is upon us and I have a great number of sports related and fitness activities planned for your children.

In order to have a successful program, I need **cooperation and support from both you and your child throughout the school year.**

During the year, your child will be participating in activities such as fitness and conditioning, basic and creative movements, dance and rhythms, team sports, games, cooperative learning activities, and swimming.

I will always encourage your child to do his or her **very best** at all times.

There is no question that a healthy and refreshed body works wonders towards a clear and productive mind.

The following is a list of the criteria each student is to follow if he or she wants and expects a good grade.

Attendance- I cannot teach, and your children cannot learn, if they are not in class.

Be prepared with proper attire- Pre-K, Kindergarten, First grade will need sneakers (preferably tie sneakers). Second grade students will have swim classes the first half of the year, therefore, they will need a bathing suit (preferably a one piece for the girls) and a towel. Intermediate students third, fourth, fifth and six grades will need a change of clothes for gym

(shorts, tee shirts, sneakers and a towel) and for swim a bathing suit (preferably a one piece for the girls) and a towel for swim class.

Effort- I expect your children to try their best at all of the activities that are presented to them.

I look forward to a fun and successful year. I invite you to call me at any time you feel it's necessary, especially if there is a problem, at 278-7900 ext. 21322.

Mr. Costanzo

Physical Education Instructor



FROM THE DESK OF MR. COSTANZO

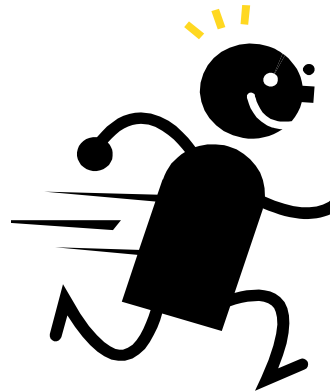
Physical Education activities for October will be Fitness and Conditioning, Dance and Rhythms, Basic and Creative Movements, and Aquatics.

District Mile Run for 5th and 6th grade students will be held on October 9th. This year the run will take place at Sal Maglie Stadium. Students will have to arrive

at 3:45 p.m. If you have any questions, please call me.



RAIN IS OUT DATE OCTOBER 16TH, SAME PLACE SAME TIME.



MUSIC NEWS

Fifth grade Music students have just completed a unit on Ludwig van Beethoven. We learned some history about this famous composer, listened to a few of his most famous works, and played the recurring motif of his 5th symphony on the piano. Ask a fifth

grader about Beethoven, what his handicap was, or what it means to have a volcanic temper. For more information about this famous composer or to play some musical games, please visit the Dallas Symphony Orchestra website for

kids at:

www.dsokids.com



SAFETY FIRST!

We make every attempt to keep all of our children safe! ALL children should be dropped off at the door. No children should be escorted to class by parents, grandparents, etc. If parents are scheduled to volunteer, they must sign in at the office, get a visitor sticker, and sign out when they leave so we have a definite

count of who is in the building at all times. You may not enter the building in the morning to speak with teachers or staff unannounced. We cannot interrupt teachers in the morning or during instruction to speak with you. Of course, you may leave a message or send a

note at any time and the teacher will contact you as soon as possible. If you need to enter school during the day, you must always enter from the front and proceed directly to the office.

As I'm sure you are aware, we cannot be TOO careful in this day and age! These rules are not meant to insult you,



CHARACTER COUNTS—FEBRUARY'S TRAIT IS "INTEGRITY"

Each month our teachers and staff are able to submit names of students they feel represent the school district's monthly character trait. The trait for January was **TOLERANCE**. These students have the ability to accept, recognize and respect the beliefs and practices of others.

Here are the students who were recognized for **TOLERANCE** in the month of January:

Mr. Aulet's class – Aiyana Hughes, Caleb Kotovich, Selena Velez

Mrs. Chille's class – Amelia Hoy, Kaden Doreen

Mrs. Marazzo's class – Abrielle Murray, Madisol Padilla-Velez, Cameron Alfieri

Mrs. Dominguez's class – Benjamin DeLorenzo, Amira Vigil

Mrs. Grant's class – Hallie Moody, Madilyn Whitmire

Mrs. Williamson's class – Alena Martinucci, Leah Aube

Mrs. Deuro-Naughton's class – Thomas Skye, Julia Sciuk

Mrs. LaRock's class – Madeline Gulla, Matthew Santiago

Mrs. Yost's class – Jacob Weld, Megan Ryan, Ava Mercurio

Mrs. Lowry's class – Brandon Duchene, Isabella Katz

Mrs. Pedulla's class – Alyssa Steves, Matthew Warner

Mr. St. Onge's class – Camila Marques, Adam Rick, Chy'Ann Wright

Mrs. Presutti's class – Amelia Brown, Laurana Laurino

Mrs. Stromberg's class – Kayleigh Sims, Nicholas Caligiuri

Mrs. Garabedian's class – Adriana Martinez, Christopher Thompson, Peter Sheehan

Mrs. Graff's class – Amaya Printup, Ah'lyssa Sanchez

Mrs. Orfano's class – Angelina Palazzo, Austin Manning

Mr. Aversa's class – Marlee Jaeger, Miranda Jones

Mr. DelZoppo's class – Gregory Robinson, Christian Rimmen, Julia Kepp

