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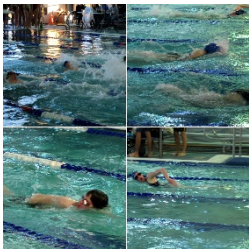
Talk Sup Week 15 Review and Preview

December 18, 2017

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a great weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup*.



Early last week the district received tragic news about the sudden death of Mr. Thomas Gentile, beloved District Supervisor of Humanities and Related Arts. Mr. Gentile served our district, our teachers, and our students in an impeccable manner for over a decade. He was not only an extremely intelligent and proficient educational leader, he was an incredibly loyal and loving person who inspired us all by the adoration and love that he had for his family and the unwavering commitment, support, and appreciation he demonstrated to the teachers and his students, both children and adults, that he dedicated the majority of his life to. He will be greatly missed by our entire school community.



Last Wednesday I attended the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) swim meet against South Brunswick. The power, grace, and athleticism that each swimmer demonstrated in the pool was very impressive. In fact, while our Bomber swimmers fell a bit short of victory, the competitive spirit and support that they demonstrated for each other was inspiring and made me very proud. In fact, the noise from our Bomber Nation fans at the crowded Center for Lifelong Learning pool was deafening when senior swimmer Antonino Tramontana attempted to break the SWMHS record for the Breast Stroke. Although he fell short of the record by less than three tenths of a second, he won the race. To see his incredible swim, click [here](#). We congratulate Antonino and all our SWMHS swimmers and thank them for the manner in which they represent their school and district.



Later in the day on Wednesday, I attended the SWMHS Holiday Concert. As always, our student musicians and choir performed magically. Led by Dr. Paul Caruso, the Band played brilliantly and impressed all in attendance with several jazz infused pieces (see one [here](#)), including a brass duet that was magnificent (see [here](#)). After that, the SWMHS Choir and Advanced Choir, led by Mr. James Craft, harmonically impressed the audience with several contemporary and classic holiday songs, including a great rendition of the popular Little Drummer Boy (see [here](#)). We thank Dr. Caruso, Mr. Craft, and our amazing high school Band and Choir, as well as all district music teachers and students for entertaining us with beautiful tunes and melodies during this holiday season, and most importantly, for filling our souls with the holiday spirit. Bravo to ALL!





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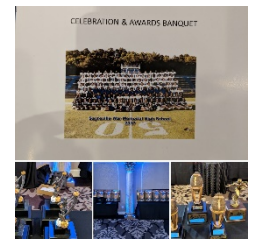
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Finally, yesterday I had the honor to attend the SWMHS Football and Cheerleader Banquet, which was, as always, planned and coordinated excellently by the coaches and Touchdown Club. It certainly was a perfect ending to great seasons in which the football team battled to a 6-5 record and our incredible cheerleaders supported them every step of the way. Mr. Nagle, the longtime football equipment manager and biggest fan of the Bombers, served as the master of ceremonies.



We commend and thank Mr. Nagle, Coach Beagan and Coach Krainski, as well as all the assistant coaches and Touchdown Club parents for taking the time to meticulously plan the banquet, and for all the assistance, support, and encouragement that they provided to the student athletes in these programs this season. Finally, we congratulate these student athletes and their parents for a strong season and commend them for the manner in which they represented



the high school and our school district.

This Tuesday (December 19th) there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting. To see the agenda, click [here](#). During the presentation portion of the meeting, the BOE will recognize, honor, and thank Mrs. DePinto and Mr. Macagnone for their many years of outstanding service to the Board, the school district, and all the students and staff in Sayreville. In addition, the district will present the proposed 2018-19 Food Services Budget.



Last week I failed to mention that our SWMHS Boys and Girls Swimming and Bowling Teams have also begun their winter seasons. In fact, as mentioned earlier, the Swim Team fell slightly short of victory last Wednesday and did as well on Friday, but earlier in the season, they prevailed over Piscataway. Likewise, while our Boys and Girls Bowling Teams are off to 2-5 records, both had big wins on Thursday afternoon over Perth Amboy. Additionally, although their games and matches on Friday were cancelled due to the weather, on Saturday the Boys Basketball Team recorded their first win of the year over Bishop George Ahr High School in the first round of the Friends of South Amboy Showcase, and our wrestlers grappled extremely well during the Neptune Tournament. Finally, despite the frosty weather on Friday, our Winter Track Team student athletes still took advantage of the time to train.



Please remember that as per the December Head of the Class Calendar, the first trimester **report cards** for students in **Kindergarten through 5th grade** will be sent home today (**December 18th**). In addition, please note that this Friday (**December 22nd**) we will **dismiss students and faculty early** in preparation for the holiday weekend and recess. Finally, please remember that our schools will reopen after the winter vacation on **Tuesday, January 2, 2018**.

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As we all know, the holiday season is a time for giving. However, it is also a time to recognize and demonstrate our appreciation for the wonderful gifts that have been bestowed upon us. That said, I am forever grateful to be able to serve such a wonderful school district and community. In fact, I am humbled to have the opportunity to work with the most polished, hard-working, and dedicated administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, and support staff members. Furthermore, I feel blessed to be able to bear the fruit of our labor and witness the growth and remarkable development of our amazing students. They truly are the gift that keeps on giving. Hence, on behalf of the Sayreville Board of Education and Administration, we wish you and your entire family a blessed and very happy holidays. Enjoy those gifts and have a happy New Year!

Have a wonderful week, a happy holidays, and a relaxing winter recess!

Dr. Labbe

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Richard R. Labbe', written in a cursive style.