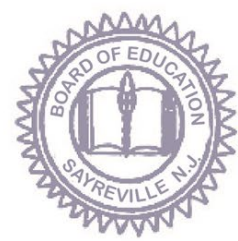




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Talk Sup Week 8 Review and Preview

October 31, 2022



Good morning Sayreville and happy Halloween! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup, my weekly newsletter.

Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students had a ton of fun learning last week.



At the Wilson School, students and staff celebrated “Read for the Record” by reading *Nigel and the Moon* by Antwan Eady. If you are not familiar with this award-winning book, its story demonstrates how pride in where we come from can bring a shining confidence to us. Ms. Golda and Ms. Beinert served as guest readers, while Ms. Comerford made an amazing slideshow to go along with the story. Finally, Mr. Toye, Ms. Abrams, and Ms. West, Academic Skills Instruction teachers, who coordinated the activity, also dressed up as an astronaut, a dancer, and a superhero – all things Nigel dreamed of being.



Similarly, Ms. Magistro, Principal of Project Before at Cheesequake, and Ms. Schleck, Supervisor of Early Childhood, read to preschool students during Project Before’s Read for the Record. Preschool students at Kidzland had a blast using their “science eyes” to examine leaves and look for different color patterns. Likewise, preschool students in Garden Friends, talked about others feelings and used their science eyes to inspect pumpkins generously donated by the Project Before PTO, in which they then painted. In addition, preschool students at Selover also participated in a cool science experiment, in which they learned whether pumpkin candies would sink or float in milk, vinegar, oil, and water. After close observation, they enjoyed seeing which pumpkins actually dissolved.



At the Arleth School, kindergarten students celebrated Octoberfest with their teachers and several parent volunteers. Activities included pumpkin painting and carving, apple tasting, candy corn creations, and tower building with pumpkin candies using toothpicks and playdough. Everyone had a great time doing all things fall. At the Truman School, students had a



wonderful time playing games, taking pictures, and searching for pumpkins in the Truman School Pumpkin Patch, which was generously donated by the Truman PTO. At the Samsel Upper Elementary School, high school students in the “Heroes and Cool Kids” club visited students in 5th grade to share their experiences of becoming positive role models. At the middle school, students practiced their soccer skills in preparation for the upcoming Unified Sports Soccer Tournament.



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Finally, at the high school, Broadway performer Michael Bryan Wang, who is a former student of Ms. Distaulo, Theatre Teacher, visited the Theatre 1 & 2 classes. He shared and taught original choreography with students and answered their many questions. Earlier in the day, he actually performed on the Today Show. Additionally,



other students took public transportation to visit New Jersey Transit at Rutgers University for training there they learned how they can travel independently. Lastly, students in Mr. Coleman's Physics Classes tested their "zero impact" vehicles to see how close they could get to a wall without hitting it.

In performing arts, the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Marching Band completed



another very successful season, as it placed 6th out of 16 band programs in the New Jersey State Championships at the group 2a level. In fact, their score, which was two full points higher than a year ago, was so close with other bands, with another judging panel, they may have finished as high as 3rd for this season. Looking back at the entire season, the Marching Band placed 2nd out of six bands at the Arthur L. Johnson



High School (HS) competition on September 24th, unofficially placed 2nd out of six bands during the Night of a Thousand Stars Home Band Competition that we hosted in Sayreville on October 8th, placed 4th out of



12 bands with a First Place for the Color Guard at the Jackson Liberty HS competition on October 15th, and 5th out of 12 bands again on October 22nd at the Toms River North HS competition. Our amazing student musicians and performers had such a memorable season, they are already talking about how they are "ready to take it all" next season. We commend and congratulate them, Dr.



Caruso, and his staff on another outstanding marching band season and thank them for the impeccable manner in which they represented the high school, school district, and greater Sayreville community.

As per the [2022-23 School District Calendar](#), which you can view by clicking on it, on **Tuesday, November 15th**, there will be a **Board of Education Business Meeting** in the new **Samsel Upper Elementary School Board Meeting Room**. Please remember that all our schools will be **closed for students** on **November 8th** in observance of Election Day and so that our staff can participate in a full day of professional development. They will also be **closed for students and staff** on **November 10th and 11th** in observance of Veterans' Day and so that our staff can attend the NJEA Convention, and on **November 24th and 25th** in observance of Thanksgiving. Likewise, please note that we will **dismiss students and staff early** on **Wednesday November 23rd** so that they can get a head start on the holiday weekend. Finally, please remember that the **1st Marking Period** for students in **grades 6-12** will end on **November 15th** and that report cards for those students will be issued on **November 23rd**.



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Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe