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Talk Sup Week 34 Review and Preview

May 15, 2023



Good morning Sayreville! We wish all our moms a happy belated Mother's Day and hope that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup, my weekly newsletter. Please remember that **this afternoon** we will **dismiss students early** so that our staff can participate in professional development.

This past week, our students, staff, alumni, and community members continued to impress us with their remarkable accomplishments. We begin by commending and congratulating Sufyah Waryah, a senior at

Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS), who was named a recipient of the 2023 Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship. Sufyah was among 400 exceptional students selected from across the country to receive \$40,000 in paid tuition to pursue their studies at the college of their choice, along with a paid internship at Amazon following their freshman year. We also commend and congratulate Eisenhower 3rd grader Mason Mitchell in Mrs. Seaman's class. Mason was the winner of this year's Christ Church Mother's Day Writing Contest. In addition, we congratulate, honor, and salute SWMHS seniors, Brodee Fontanilla,







Seamus Walsh, Jason Cannon, David Sandoval, Maria De Souza, Karine Oliveira, and Cristal Marte, who were recently honored by the Sayreville American Legion because they will be entering the United States Armed Services after graduation. Brodee will be joining the Army National Guard, Seamus will be enlisting in the Air Force, Jason will be joining the Navy, and David, Maria, Karine, and Cristal will be enlisting in the Marines. Furthermore, we commend and

thank all our wonderfully generous staff for the recent donation of \$190 to Sammy's Hope, which is an animal welfare organization dedicated to providing programs and services that prevent homelessness in the

pet population, improve the lives of homeless animals and find a forever homes for them. Moreover, we thank and commend the District Culture and Climate Committee for facilitating this fundraiser. Finally, we commend the students in Mr. Gliddon's Woodshop classes at SWMHS for the marvelous Mother's Day projects they made, particularly the foot stool by McKenna Roberts. Bomber Nation salutes all our students, staff, and community



members for representing Sayreville in such an impeccable manner. They Rock!

Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students had a ton of fun learning last week. Back in April at the Wilson School, students and staff celebrated National Culture Week. National Culture Week was founded by the Stomp Out Bullying Foundation to provide students with an opportunity to share



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and learn from each other's diverse cultural backgrounds and experiences. During this amazingly formative experience, teachers discussed different cultural themes

each day in an ongoing effort to promote cultural acceptance. Wilson families also joined the celebration, as students were asked to share their native language with classmates, bring in items from home representing their culture, share traditional family recipes, and even wear clothing representing their heritage. Additionally, during



the first week of May, Spanish Teacher Señora Cook continued the celebration of culture, as students at each elementary school across the district enjoyed learning

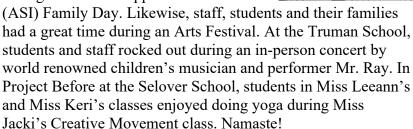
about the beautiful Mexican culture and the Cinco de Mayo holiday.



At the Eisenhower School. students and staff recognized and honored Nurse Lazzaro during National Nurse's Day. In addition, the Pushcart Players put on a great show for staff, students, and their families

during Academic Support Instruction







At the high school, thanks to the Sayreville Municipal Alliance, the Arrive Alive tour came to the school to demonstrate to students the dangers of impaired and distracted driving. In fact, students used a virtual reality simulator to learn what it's like to drive impaired by drugs or alcohol and/or while using a cell phone. The National Honor Society also held their annual pancake breakfast last Saturday to

raise money for the Brain Injured Child organization. In addition, Ms. Kruh and Ms. Kelly continued to

cultivate a Building Thinking Classroom in their math classes by developing the critical thinking skills of their students while also teaching them to thrive in this innovative learning environment. Likewise, students in Ms. Buonpane's math class enjoyed the beautiful weather last week when





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preparing for an upcoming assignment. Furthermore, students had a ball watching the annual Powder Puff Football



Game, which was won by the seniors in thrilling fashion, and by attempting to dunk their teachers and administrators who volunteered to sit in a dunk tank.

Finally, at the Bombers Beyond Café,

the Brew Crew was thrilled to welcome the Sayreville Chapter of the Rolling Thunder. Later in the week, they also had a blast bowling thanks to the South Amboy/Sayreville Rotary Club.









In athletics, the SWMHS Baseball Team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas High School (HS) last week during Senior and Future Bombers Day to improve its record on the season to 13-7. Likewise, the SWMHS Softball Team beat North Brunswick HS to improve its record to 9-6. The SWMHS Boys Lacrosse Team rattled off two consecutive wins last week against North Brunswick and John P.

Stevens High Schools to improve its record to 8-6. We congratulate both the Boys and Girls Lacrosse Teams for winning the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) White Division Championship this year. Lastly, the SWMHS Boys

Tennis Team won its second match of the year last week against North Brunswick HS. Win or lose, all our amazing student athletes continued to compete fiercely and demonstrate the teamwork and sportsmanship that makes us all proud to be Bombers. Thus, we thank them and their coaches for their hard work, dedication, and the manner

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in which they represent SWMHS and our community. Please remember that you can see all athletic team schedules and view all the action by watching them on the live streaming links posted on the Athletics page of our website or by clicking here.

Tomorrow evening at 7:30 pm, there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the new **Board Room at the Samsel Upper Elementary School**. During the meeting, the district will recognize and honor the 2022-23 Governors Educators of the Year, Magic 98.5 Teachers that Make Magic, and the SEA Education Support Professionals of the Year recipients. To see the agenda for the meeting, click here.



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To access the live streaming of the meeting click <u>here</u>. Since the viewing of the live stream will be handled by YouTube, you must be viewing the stream on a browser or application that is live stream compatible. If you are unable to hear audio you may need to try a different browser/application. The live stream will only be available during the real-time duration of the meeting. Directions for public participation during the meeting will be provided on the above-mentioned live stream page of the website. Finally, if on Wednesday you wish to view it or other past-recorded BOE meetings, click <u>here</u>.

As per the 2022-23 School District Calendar, which you can view by clicking on it, there will be a BOE Business Meeting tomorrow, Tuesday, May 16th. Please also remember that we will dismiss students early today, Monday, May 15th, so that our staff can participate in professional development. Likewise, please note that our schools will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day. Finally, please remember that 4th Marking Period Progress Reports for students in grades 6-12 will be issued this Wednesday, May 17th.

On January 30, 2023, the district officially opened registration for our free Full-Day Project Before Preschool and Kindergarten Programs. Therefore, parents of ALL eligible (must be 3 for preschool and 5 for kindergarten by September 30, 2023) preschool and kindergarten students are invited to visit our website in order to register via Oncourse Connect, our online registration software. The link to student registration will be clearly identified on our district website homepage (www.sayrevillek12.net) as "Student Registration". Once on this registration page, you can obtain pertinent information regarding the registration of all students including preschool and kindergarten students, and you can begin completing the online registration application by clicking on one of the following links noted in the 2023-2024 Project Before and Kindergarten drop down menu: New Student Registration Preschool and Kindergarten or Returning Student Enrollment Update for students entering grades PreK and Kindergarten during the 2023-2024 school year.

If you or someone you know would like to **advertise** with us on our **website** and via **Bomber Blasts**, you should click **here** and submit an inquiry with **School Revenue Partners**. Naturally, we will continue to Bomber Blast activity information and community service announcements for our schools and the greater community at no cost. Likewise, if you would like to advertise on our **buses**, click **here**.

Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe