

Washington Elementary School

January 2024

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Washington School Mission Statement

At Washington Elementary School, we foster a student-centered community where all students are inspired to discover their own passions, accept and appreciate the differences in one another, and make reflective and responsible choices that will make the world a better place.

Happy New Year to our W.E.S Families!

Welcome to our 4 new paraprofessional staff members:

Kajal Desai, Carmela Fogarile, Saman Majid, and Mita Saha

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 NO SCHOOL New Year's Day	2 School Re-opens	3	4	5 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY 	6
7	8	9	10 EARLY DISMISSAL	11  Assembly	12 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY  PTO Hot Cocoa Sale 	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL MLK Jr. Day	16	17 Kindergarten Fingerprinting	18  PTO Dine Out	19 Kindness Sing-A-Long	20
<div> KINDNESS WEEK </div>						
21	22	23	24	25	26 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY  PTO BINGO 5:30pm@ EHS	27
28	29	30	31			

 **SCHOOL STORE** 

2023-24 Edison Township Public Schools Calendar

Student/Family Handbook



"Together is Better!"



Washington Elementary School Kindness & Teamwork Week

January 16-19, 2024

Every year during the month of January W.E.S. celebrates New Jersey's No-name calling Week, January 16-19, with Kindness and Teamwork Week. We conduct activities and lessons that promote teamwork, collaboration, and the art of compromise. Our school family will enjoy a school spirit week where there is something special planned for each day.

During our monthly **Leadership Buddy Activity**, Buddy Leaders in 3-5th grades will work with their K-2 Little Buddies on teamwork and fairness by playing board games or engaging in cooperative building with legos. Younger buddies will learn the importance of fairness and good sportsmanship.

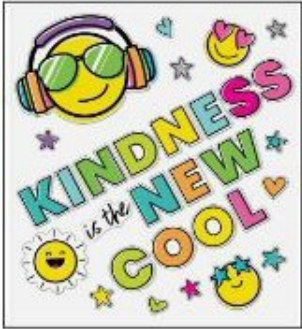


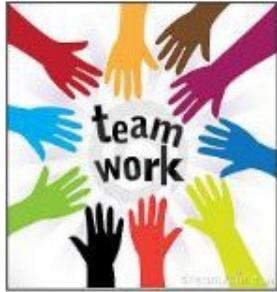


Curriculum Connections: Our Physical Education classes will infuse the importance of teamwork in accomplishing the goals of a group. In Art, 5th grade is collaborating to create a positive word wall through paper tie dye and printmaking. K-4 will create kindness links in Art for our schoolwide display—"Linked together by Kindness and Love". In Music, students will learn songs about Kindness for a schoolwide sing along.

Research has found that children who perform acts of kindness and prosocial behaviors on a regular basis tend to have higher self-esteem and a sense of self-efficacy.



W.E.S. Kindness & Teamwork Week

School Spirit Activities January 16-19, 2024

<u>1/16 Tuesday</u>	<u>1/17 Wednesday</u>	<u>1/18 Thursday</u>	<u>1/19 Friday</u>
 <p>In class, write Kind Words about a classmate or a teacher on the kindness stars and hearts provided. Cut your shapes out and give them to Mrs.Scammacca. She will post them proudly on the Kindness bulletin board.</p>	 <p>Never let anyone feel left out! Wear Red or clothing with hearts to show you care. <u>Be the one</u> to include others!</p> 	 <p>Show your <u>Classroom Teamwork!</u> Everyone in your class wear the same color or <u>do something</u> to show your classroom spirit! (Teacher Choice)</p>	 <p>Celebrate our Differences! ~ Mix it up! ~ Wear mismatched socks or clothing.</p> 

Students will go outside for recess as often as possible throughout the winter months. It is our school rule that students go outside with whatever jacket, coat, etc. that they came to school in. Please ensure that your child comes to school with sufficient clothing to enjoy the 25 minutes outside daily.



Fingerprinting-January 17th

A VOLUNTARY fingerprinting program is available to all kindergarten students and new students in Grades 1-5. This is under the direction of the Middlesex County Sheriff's Office. Forms were sent home and must be returned signed for your student to participate. This form will be returned to you upon the completion of the fingerprinting and NO records will be retained by the Edison Police Department.

Washington School Newspaper-December Edition

December Recap

Giving Tree Donations



Family Math Night



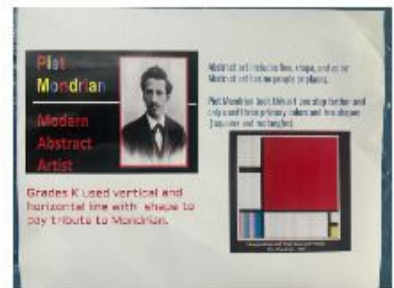
Jammin' In Jammies



Holiday Sing-A-Long



Grade 1 December Art Highlight



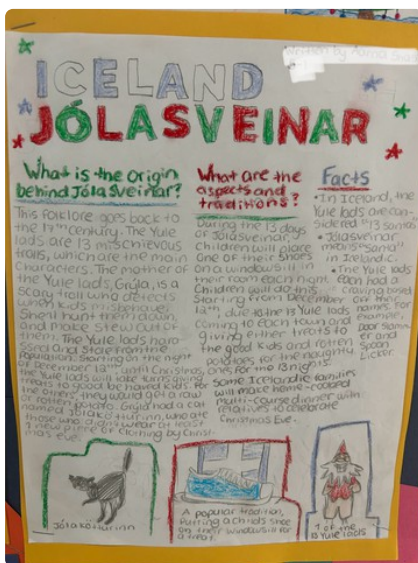
Grade 1 students were inspired by the styles of artists Jen Stark, Wassily Kandinsky, and Piet Mondrian when creating decorations for our hallway display.

Holidays Around the World

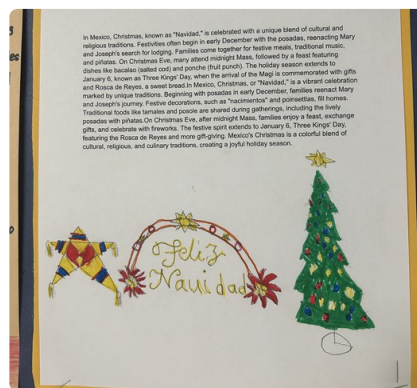


Students in Spanish class learned about holidays that are celebrated around the world during this time of year. Here are just some samples of the great work!

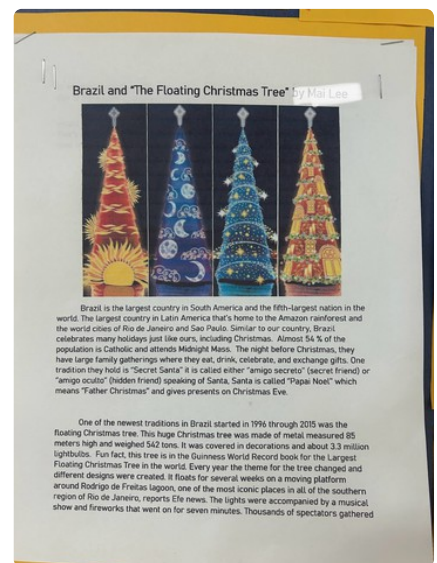
Iceland, Mexico, Brazil, Colombia, India, and the Phillipines were some of the countries selected by students to learn more about.



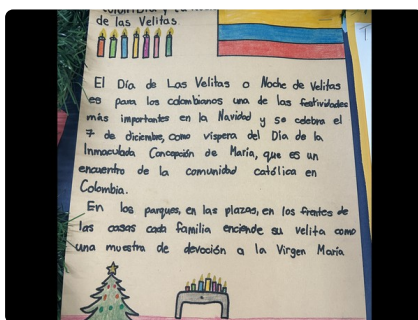
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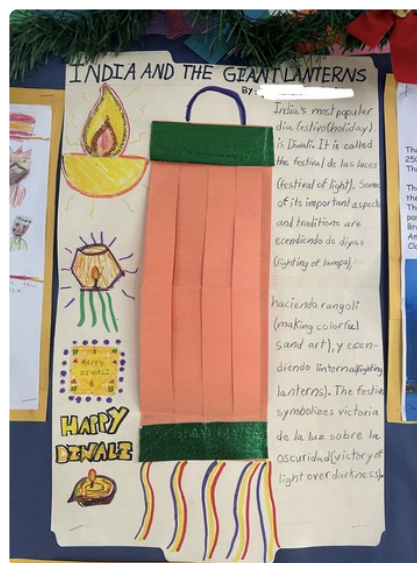
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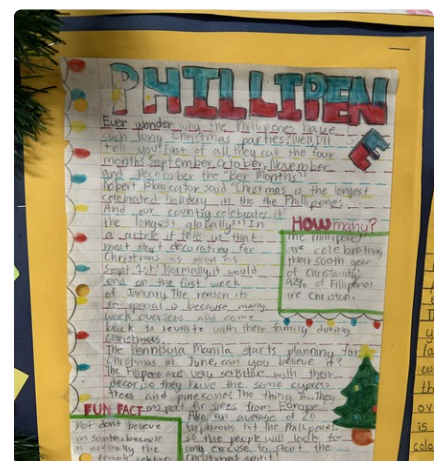
Brazil



Colombia



India



Phillipines

Girls on the Run

Our Girls on the Run team members collected over 100 bags worth of toiletries for a local shelter.



Upcoming Events



Early Dismissal

January 10

1:30pm



No School

January 15



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS
January 5, 12, 26

**Washington
School Store**

MONDAY 1/22
GRADES K,3,5

TUESDAY 1/23
GRADES 1,2,4

WEDNESDAY 1/24
MAKEUPS

Mission Possible Club

WINTER COAT DRIVE

Cleaning out your closets?
Have your children
outgrown last year's winter
coat?

**The Student Council is
collecting NEW or
GENTLY USED coats for
our community.**

**Child and adult sized coats
are being accepted.**

Gently used coats need to be
laundered prior to donation.

Drop off location: Room 6
We are collecting until
January 19th

Parent Teacher Organization

Birthday Gram Flier

Thank you to all our volunteers who made our Holiday Party a great success!



Bingo Night Form 1/26

Hot Chocolate Sale

Friday, January 12th



 **Chick-fil-A**

Dine-out Night
Thursday, January 18
11am-8pm
Route 1 South

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BINGO NIGHT
GAME | FUN | PRIZE

Several bingo cards and numbered balls are displayed.

Friday, January 26th 6:00pm
Edison High School Cafeteria

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 1/22

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