

# UPDATES FROM THE PRINCIPALS



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Dear Seaford Middle School Families,

Today, we marked Holocaust Remembrance Day with a special and moving event in our 6th grade. In honor of this day, our students gathered to hear the powerful story of a Holocaust survivor presented by a director from the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center, who recited the personal experiences of her father from that dark chapter of history. Her retelling left a lasting impression on everyone in attendance, reminding us of the importance of remembrance, empathy, and standing against hatred.

The story tied directly to the themes the 6th graders have been exploring in their current reading in English Language Arts, *Jacob's Rescue*. This book tells the fictionalized account of a Jewish family's harrowing journey to survive during the Holocaust, and our students have been deeply engaged in discussions about the bravery, hope, and resilience that shone through even in the face of unspeakable adversity.

By hearing a survivor's firsthand account and reading *Jacob's Rescue*, our students are not only learning about history but also reflecting on the importance of kindness, courage, and speaking up against wrongs. It is our hope that these lessons will stay with them as they grow and that they will continue to contribute to making our world a more compassionate and understanding place.

These themes run parallel to our Seaford Scholar traits through which we aim to develop our students academically and socially. As Seaford Scholars, our students demonstrate mindfulness, resilience, deep rooted principles, and are reflective. Our Holocaust Remembrance Day was another example of ways our students see these traits modeled both in and out of school.

Thank you to all who were part of this past week's event. Let us continue to honor the memory of those affected by the Holocaust and strive to build a future where such atrocities are never repeated.

In Seaford Middle School Pride,

Dr. Morey

