

# THE SEHUYLKILL EXPRESS

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## *The Most Wonderful Time of The Year*



Holidays at MAC never disappoint. This year was no different. Students and staff

prepared for the Holidays by decorating the halls with wonderful holiday and winter themed decorations. Students and staff created a festive and colorful Christmas village that was displayed in the lobby. Students

also made cool crafts and sweet treats to enjoy.

Students and staff got in the holiday spirit with dress down days throughout December. Students and staff could be seen dressing like Santa, looking like a candy cane, or wearing an ugly sweater, just to name a few. On December 19th, our annual Holiday Show was held. Mr. Stock and Ms. Nikki



hosted this year's festivities. MDS1 and MDS2 performed a chilly freeze dance. Next, AS3 said "Hello, Reindeer" and

Antonio sang beautifully. SLA1 got nuffin' for Christmas but rocked anyway! Ja'sai and Mega jingled some bells, and Jonathon gave everyone a jolly Christmas. Next, The Mar Lin Ensemble wished it was Christmas today. LSS3 performed an awesome montage of holiday favorites. Ben decked the halls to close the show. On Monday the 22nd, Santa and Mrs. Claus made a visit to the MAC. Santa said that all of our students made the "nice list" this year! The Holiday season at MAC is always a special time!



# The Most Wonderful Time of The Year



# MAC-Y'S THANKSGIVING PARADE

On November 24th, MAC's first annual MAC-Y'S Thanksgiving Parade took place. Classes created festive balloons, floats, banners, and displays. Participants marched through the lobby and gymnasium and were cheered on by staff and fellow students. WIEP29 News was on hand to cover the proceedings. Everyone had a great time preparing for the parade and marching to give thanks for everything wonderful in their lives!



So Very Thankful

# SHOP TILL YOU DROP



On December 8th and 9th, the Maple Avenue Campus buzzed with excitement as students took part in our second annual Lil' Shoppers Shop, a festive holiday shopping experience designed just for kids. The event gave students the opportunity to select thoughtful gifts for the special people in their lives—and even a few surprises for their pets!

Tables were filled with a variety of items for every age and interest, allowing students to browse, plan, and purchase gifts all on their own. From cozy winter accessories to toys, treats, and home décor, there was something for everyone on their shopping lists. The joy of choosing the perfect present lit up the faces of



young shoppers as they wrapped up their holiday treasures.

Beyond the fun of gift-giving, the Lil' Shoppers Shop also served an important purpose. The proceeds from the event help fund our end-of-the-year student dance, making each purchase a

step toward a memorable celebration this Spring.

We extend a warm thank you to all of our families who supported this event. Your generosity helps us create joyful experiences and lasting memories for our students. The Lil' Shoppers Shop continues to grow each year, and we look forward to even more holiday magic next season!



# THE (VIRTUAL) REALITY OF WORK



In November, juniors and seniors had the opportunity to participate in Goodwill's Mobile Learning Lab Virtual Reality Experience through MAC's Work Mentor Program. Students used virtual reality headsets and controllers to enter the

immersive world of virtual reality and explore careers. Students got to restore a power outage, repair a HVAC unit, prepare a signature dish, help at a car crash, fight a fire, change the oil in a car, do graphic

design, assist a veterinarian, practice cosmetology, and even assist in knee surgery! Students loved the immersive and interactive nature of the experience. It



was awesome to be able to experience all these careers and many more all while right here at MAC! Thank you to Ms. Lisa Ference from Goodwill for making this all possible!



## AN INTERVIEW WITH MRS. SCHENK

**Q: What are your three favorite colors?**

**A: Red, green, and yellow.**

**Q: Which student in this school would you pick to be president?**

**A: Jeremiah**

**Q: What is your goal in life?**

**A: Live a long, happy and healthy life on the beach with my children and hopefully grandchildren nearby.**



INTERVIEW BY JEREMIAH

**Q: What do you want to see changed in the future?**

**A: The way some people are. I want to see people treat each other with kindness.**

**Q: Why don't you like cats?**

**A: They are creepy looking and I do not like the way they hiss at people. They are very scary creatures!**



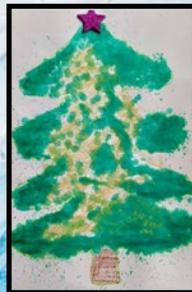
## Maple Avenue Masterpieces



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Connor



Johnny



Teagan



Alex



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