

## **FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL MADIGAN:**

**February 6, 2019**

### **START WITH HELLO WEEK AND NO ONE EATS ALONE DAY!**

**“Start with Hello Week” and “No One Eats Alone Day” brings attention to social isolation and teaches students the skills they need to reach out to and include those who may be dealing with chronic social isolation. By building a culture of inclusion and connectedness, schools and communities can better support their young people and reduce their risk of bullying, violence, and depression. We asked our students this week to participate in a few challenges each day. Say hi to new people, sit with a new person at lunch, and pick someone new during gym class are just a few things to encourage interactions with new friends and build communication skills.**

### **PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**

The Toms River Regional School District is offering a sliding scale tuition-based two and half hour preschool programs at Silver Bay and East Dover Elementary Schools. Please click on attached flyer for more information. [PS flyer.pdf](#)

**A reminder for our Special Ed parents, there is a SEPAG meeting tonight Feb. 6th, 6:00pm at High School North in the Media Center. Babysitting is available.**

Join us February 12th from 6:00 pm to 8:00pm for a “Faculty vs. Students” volleyball game sponsored by the Toms River Education Association. We ask that you bring in a canned good as a donation.

Congratulations to our 100% Attendance winner for January; Melanie Taveras from Mrs. Prull’s homeroom.

### **SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS 2019**

#### **BEHAVIORAL & SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Adrian Goley**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Dan Detore**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Regina Messenger**

**Honorable Mention – Kira Jacobus**

## **BIOLOGY**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lauren Vaughn**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Ava Borda**

**Honorable Mention – Logan Muraszko**

## **BOTANY**

**1<sup>ST</sup> Place – Madolyn Hay**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lindsey Wepler**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Giana Mirto**

**Honorable Mention – Nicholas Pape**

**Honorable Mention – Alexandra DeNardo**

## **CHEMISTRY**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Kristen Wepler**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Meghan Lord**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Anthony Billotti**

**Honorable Mention – Dominic DeCesare**

**Honorable Mention – Liza Cocozziello**

## **COMPUTERS**

**Honorable Mention – Quinton Nguyen**

## **CONSUMER SCIENCE**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Jarrod Dye**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Mason Clinton**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Paige Seitz**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Emma Klina**

**Honorable Mention – Eva Lueddeke**

## **ENGINEERING**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Isabella Chiaravallo**

**Honorable Mention – Terrence Thomas**

**Honorable Mention – Dante Kanterezhi-Gatto**

**Honorable Mention – Joseph Cartnick**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

**1<sup>ST</sup> Place – Jordan Motyka**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sean Boag**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Mia Shouldice**

**Honorable Mention – Evan Hilla**

## **MEDICINE AND HEALTH**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Olivia Merlo**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Gianna Patricco**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Meghan Christopher**

## **PHYSICS**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Peyton Gallagher**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Trey Scollan**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Owen Wright**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Kaede Duong**

**Honorable Mention – Madison Nitti**

**Honorable Mention – Madison Chiappetta**

**Honorable Mention – Ethan Kelly**

**Honorable Mention – Ava Ruiz**

## **ZOOLOGY**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Lilian Raccuia – BEST IN SHOW**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Maggie Birmingham**

**Just a reminder, if you are picking up your child early from school, please send a note in stating the time and the person picking up so we can give your child a pass to be at the main office at that time. Also, the person you put down for emergency contact in your parent portal is for the nurse's office only. You must notify the main office if anyone other than the parent is picking up your child.**

## **PTO FUNDRAISERS**

Come out and support Intermediate East PTO on February 13th at Playa Bowls - Route 37 from 5pm to 8pm. See attached flyer. [Playa Bowls.jpg](#)

The PTO will be selling Philly Pretzels during lunches on February 15th for \$1.

**DISTRICT BOOKLET** - Please click to view the 2018 - 2019 Annual Booklet

<http://www.trschools.com/docs/2018/09/2018-TRRS-Booklet.pdf>

## **DELAYED OPENING SCHEDULE**

Please be advised when we have a delayed opening (90 minutes), students should be at their bus stop 90 minutes later than they usually are. The delayed opening schedule on the [trschools.com](http://www.trschools.com) website shows bus arrival for our school is 9:20. **This is the time the bus arrives at the school not the time the bus will pick up your child.** With a 90 minute delay opening, school begins at 9:25.

## **YEARBOOK**

**YEARBOOKS:** There is still time to pre-order your 2018-2019 yearbook. The cost is \$45. Visit [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) to secure your book today!

**YEARBOOK ADS:** Attention 8th Grade Parents & Guardians. There is less than two weeks to place your student recognition ad order. The final deadline is February 16th. Visit [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) for pricing and design information.

## **CURRICULUM CORNER - World Language - Adrienne Gold**

A new year is well under way and our students are diving deep into language study. Intermediate level Spanish students have just completed or are now beginning their quarter of language study. For the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders who have completed the quarter, that means finishing up some fables and legends that are culturally connected to Spanish-speaking countries. They have learned names for animals and actions those animals do, and should be able to retell the stories, name the key characters, identify if they are people or animals, and name and describe their habitats. These are skills that are transferable to the language arts, science, social studies, and math curricula, as they are learning the language of mathematical expressions.

The incoming 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will begin with a review of prior knowledge and concepts to become acclimated to a 90% Spanish language classroom environment where they will hear and utilize the target language in context. They will be using numbers, calendar expressions and weather phrases, as well as classroom and courtesy expressions to interact with their teacher and, ultimately, with their classmates. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders are learning how to describe themselves and others using descriptive words about physical and personality characteristics.

If you would like to help your child review, you can ask your 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grader to tell you about one of the stories they have read and ask them about the beginning, middle and end of the story. Those who are just beginning should be able to talk about classroom rules, how to ask someone's name or age, tell about the weather, etc. To review with your 8<sup>th</sup> grader, you can ask him/her to describe him/her or other family members and identify people in family pictures by how they are related or the person's age or a simple description of them. For those 8<sup>th</sup> graders just beginning, you might want to start selecting some family pictures that will help prepare a family album to talk about relatives.

In February and March, our Spanish classes will be learning about Women's History Month and Black History Month, and will be able to share with you some information about a famous woman or person of color they are learning about or have researched. There is a wonderful book in English, Happy Birthday, Martin Luther King, with a translated Spanish language version, Feliz Cumpleaños, Martin Luther King, which students can easily comprehend when they read it in class. This is a wonderful, short biography that helps to affirm to students how much language they have learned in such a short time.

Have you heard? All three intermediate schools are piloting a full year Spanish 1 course, taught by our World Language teachers, as an additional elective for selected students who wish to accelerate their language learning and work toward enrolling in Spanish 2 as a freshman in high school. Students attend class daily and work in a traditional classroom setting as well as independently through moderated online units of language study, while a World Language teacher assesses their progress and practices interpersonal communication skills each week. What a way to prepare our 21<sup>st</sup> century learners to be global leaders!

## SAVE THE DATES

### FEBRUARY

- 1 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period Ends
- 4 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Begins
- 18 School Closed For Students - President's Day / Professional Day for Staff
- 19 - 21 School Play for Students
- 22 School Play Night Performance - 6:00pm
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### MARCH

- 5 Early Dismissal for Students - 12:25 pm - Lunches will be served - PM Professional Day for Staff.
- 15 School Dance - "Sports Theme"- All Grades 6:00 -8:00pm
- 20 Spring Portrait Pictures

### APRIL

- TBA Quarterly Finals
- 8 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Ends
- 9 4<sup>th</sup> Marking Period Begins
- 19-26 School Closed - Spring Break
- 8 – 18, 29, 30 PARCC Testing – Grade Schedule TBA

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please call the main office at 732-505-5775 ext. 7 so we can assist you.