

MIDDLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, N.J.

“SUNSHINE MOMENTS”

SCHOOL: Elementary # 1

PRINCIPAL: Christian Paskalides

DATE: May 17, 2018

1. Elementary #1 celebrated Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week with a luncheon on May 9th courtesy of the PTO. A special thank you to the PTO for supporting our teachers and staff, and the Bellevue Tavern for some delicious trays and a variety of donated items.
2. On Friday, April 27th, Elementary #1 celebrated Arbor Day with an assembly led by Mayor Clark and Peter Lomax from Lomax Consulting. The assembly featured a video produced by Sophia Lomax, performances by Mrs. Banks and Mrs. Russell's class, and an Arbor Day song by The Middletones of MTHS. Students learned all about Arbor Day and the importance of planting trees. The Township and Lomax Consulting donated tubelings to all students in grades K-2. Students were encouraged to teach their parents about Arbor Day, and find a place to plant their tubeling.
3. On Friday, May 11th, Students in Mrs. Davis, Miss VanTrieste, and Miss Hannings' class attended a Red Carpet Event for their performance in NJTV's Classroom Close-up "Lemonade Stand" episode. Students walked the red carpet, watched the episode on the big screen at the PAC, and received a medallion and an Academy Award on stage. The students and their guests were treated to a reception on the patio immediately following the event. A special thank you to all the BOE members, administrators, teachers, and family members who attended the event.
4. I would also like to thank the following families/organizations for their generous donations this school year: Polar Bear Walk/Run for Autism donated \$1500, Soar Church in Woodbine, Fire Department, Bellevue Tavern, Fielder's Choice Lawn Care, Hall's Carpet Care, Great Commission Baptist Church, Spa Avalon, Symmetry Hair, Green Holly Campground, DelMo Sports, Women of Wildwood, Baby, Be Mine Maternity, Farrell Chiropractic, and The Guida, Panzini, Radzietta, DelConte, Gardner, and Gandy families.

Middle Township Elementary School #2

"Helping Every Child Achieve Success"

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- On April 27th, members of our Dance Team performed along with the middle and high school teams as they presented their annual spring show entitled ***Believe It, Receive It, It's Yours, Now Achieve It.*** This show featured various dance numbers based on the theme of overcoming adversity and accomplishing dreams. The student performances were nothing short of amazing! Many thanks to Andrea Davis, Christal Holmes, and Thea Crawley for coordinating this wonderful event for our students and community.
- On June 1st, our fifth-grade students will be participating in their L.E.A.D. graduation and field day sponsored by several Middle Township Police Officers. Following the formal graduation, the students will be transported to the Goshen Sports Complex where they will participate in various games and activities. Many thanks to Mark Higginbottom, Tracy Super, Josh Bryan, and Jennifer D'Alonzo for taking the time to teach our students about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.
- On May 22nd, our advanced band will perform at the second annual "Seven Mile Band Festival" at the Avalon Elementary School. Schools from around the county will be performing for one another. Many thanks to Mrs. Yenolovich for providing this wonderful experience for our students.



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SCHOOL: Middle School **PRINCIPAL:** Mr. Jeff Ortman

DATE: Thursday, May 17, 2018

The Middle School is pleased to announce that student Eliana Tallant has been accepted into the weeklong Tech Trek STEM Camp at Stockton University. During this week, campers take part in activities such as programming apps for tablets and smart phones, extracting their own DNA, formulating lip gloss in a chemistry lab, visit the FAA Tech Center and much more. Tech Trek has been shown to significantly increase girls' self confidence as well as expand their interest in STEM Fields. Eliana went through a rigorous acceptance process. Only sixty rising 8th grade females are accepted into this program, so this is quite an honor.

Congratulations to Cohwen Mills, Gennevieve Lisitski, Katrina Fuentes, Griffin Yerk, Greyson Deane and Owen Haas who qualified at a regional qualifier to compete in the National History Bee Competition to be held in Atlanta, Georgia at the beginning of June. Thanks to the members of the Social Studies Department for preparing these students for this meaningful event.

The Middle School is happy to announce the award of a \$2,500 from the Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant Award from the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation (LCEF). This Lowe's grant covers costs related to equipment and supplies for the Middle School Summer STEAM Camp and the equipment can be used for MakerSpace supplies in the future.

Congratulations to the Members of the Middle Township Step Team and advisors Christal Holmes, Andrea Davis and David Farrow for their May 4 performance at the Performing Arts Center. Special recognition to the 8th grade members from the Middle School as they take their talents to Middle Township High School Next Year.

Tomorrow, May 18 at 8:15 am, the Middle School will be holding the National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony under the advisement of Mrs. Lisa Mericle. Congratulations to all new members set to be inducted tomorrow.



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- Congratulations to Ms. Biederman and her art students for being selected as one of the top five finalists in the Vans contest. Vans will donate \$10,000 dollars to our Art Program and we are still in the running for the \$75,000 dollar grand prize. The contest was created by the shoe company to inspire and empower high school students to embrace their creativity through art and design.
- It was another lights out performance by our Step/Dance Team on Friday, May 4th 2018. Thank you to Ms. Andrea Davis, Ms. Crystal Holmes, Mr. David Farrow, and Ms. Morgan Tridente for putting together a wonderful show.
- PARCC Testing went off without a hitch the week of May 7th. A big thank you goes out to Ms. Chew, Mr. O’Dea, Mr. Gilbert, and the whole staff at the high school. It was a collective effort by everyone to make sure testing went as smooth as possible.
- On Tuesday, May 17th the choir performed their annual spring concert, featuring music from American composers. The evening also highlighted Voice Academy students, Chamber Choir, Middletones, and student soloists, including Hannah Rose Zoltowski and Alan Rendzak who recently won prizes at the Ocean City Pops Young Artist Competition.
- The Dance Academy’s 3rd Annual Dance Showcase, “*Meet Us in the Middle*” took the stage on May 14th at the Performing Arts Center. The program featured 20 choreographed dance works including original choreography by senior, Delaney Tice, instructor Morgan Tridente, and two performances by the Step Team.
- Here are a list of important dates for the Month of May:
May 18th - Prom at the Flanders, after-prom (MTHS) to follow
May 22nd - Spring Band Show
May 23rd - Scholarship Night

Sports Update (as of 5/17/18)

* Senior Tathya Modi is our 2018 NJSIAA Scholar Athlete and will be recognized at a banquet on May 20. Tathya is No. 1 in his class and plans to attend Georgia Tech. He was a 4-year varsity swimmer and 3-year varsity tennis player, recently earning his 50th win.

* Three Panthers athletes received South Jersey Coaches Association awards at a banquet held May 10. Gary James Nagle (football/wrestling/track) was honored as Scholar-Athlete. Giovanni Berardis (wrestling/lacrosse) received Sportsmanship Award. Austin Cominsky (football/wrestling) received Most Courageous Award.

* Panthers tennis and golf teams were undefeated as of this date, heading into state playoffs. Tennis earned a first-round bye and was slated to host a second-round match on Monday, May 14. Golf was slated to play in the sectionals match on Tuesday, May 15, at Heron Glen Golf Club in Ringoes.

* Panthers track and field's Gary James Nagle broke a 1973 school record in pole vault with a jump of 12'9 ¼".

* In addition to Modi and Nagle, other athletes achieved individual milestones, including tennis player Brayden Carr -- 50 wins; and girls lacrosse players Kira Sides and Maddie Barber -- 100 goals.

* Coach Griffin achieved his 100th win in boys lacrosse. * Sports schedules are available at www.capeatlanticleague.org.

