

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

“SUNSHINE MOMENTS”

SCHOOL: Elementary # 1

PRINCIPAL: Mr. Christian Paskalides

DATE: April 27, 2017

- 1. On Friday, March 24th, students and staff at Elementary #1 previewed Elementary #2's production of “James and the Giant Peach.” A special thank you to Jay Wynn and the Elementary #2 Drama Club for a memorable performance.**
- 2. On Tuesday, April 11th, Elementary #1 hosted our annual Math, Science and Technology Night. This year's event was entitled, “Elementary #1's Under Construction.” Families participated in a number of fun educational activities including building structures, boats, and mazes, designing robots, creating a marble run, exploring magnets, completing a Lego and K'nex challenge, creating a house of cards and more. Students were also able to explore the Star Lab and earn prizes at the end of the night. The evening was well attended with more than 200 students and their families participating. Thank you to the following for making this family event a success: MTEA for providing food and prizes. Mike Capito, Chuck Gehman, Laura Lambert, and the High School National Honor Society for organizing the robotics, engineering, and electronics activities. Shelley McFadden and the entire Science, Math and Technology Committee for putting together an excellent event for all to enjoy.**

Middle Township Elementary School #2

"Helping Every Child Achieve Success"

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- The students at Elementary #2 recently participated in the annual "Jump Rope for Heart" fundraiser in support of the American Heart Association. The students were successful in raising over \$1,000 for this all-important cause. Many thanks to Mr. Elco and Ms. Hockenberry for coordinating this meaningful event for our students.
- Elementary #2 is in the midst of administering the PARCC assessment to all students in grades 3-5. A special thank you to Janet Biller, Megan Bramble, and Patrick O'Dea for their efforts prior to, and during the assessment. Truly, it has been a group effort and everyone's assistance has been greatly appreciated.



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SCHOOL: Middle School **PRINCIPAL:** Dr. T. Lehman
DATE: Thursday, April 27, 2017

Each April since 1987, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) has sponsored Alcohol Awareness Month to increase public awareness and understanding, reduce stigma and encourage local communities to focus on alcoholism and alcohol-related issues. Our school receives funding from the Middle Twp. Municipal Alliance Coalition. These funds are used for various drug and alcohol prevention activities throughout the year. This April our students participated in an Alcohol Awareness poster contest with prizes awarded to top students per grade. Mrs. DeRose, school counselor, who works closely with the Alliance, was able to purchase poster paper, markers and colored pencils for all teams and art classes. Student Council helped to develop alcohol awareness daily announcements. On April 7, students and staff held a Purple Day in support of Alcohol Awareness Month.

On April 7, Michael DeLeon and two guest speaker representatives from Steered Straight provided our youth with real-life examples of negative consequences that resulted from making poor decisions. Their conversations helped to impact the minds of our students and to steer their lives in positive ways by encouraging them to make better life-choices. This assembly allowed students the opportunity to develop a sense of understanding about the negative effects of bullying, gangs, drugs, and alcohol.

On March 24 and 25, the middle school drama club under the direction of Jay Wynn performed the drama production of “James and the Giant Peach” during three performances. We are proud of yet another great middle school performance.

Please join us on April 28 for the district’s step team performance at the PAC and on April 29 at the County Park for the Cape May County Color Run. Registration information can be found on the Middle School website and Facebook pages.



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Welcome back Everyone. PARRC testing has continued this week with all Special Education students being tested this week with extended time as needed or required. All math testing will be done next week. Testing has gone very well thus far with just a few minor clitches. A decision was made to spread out the testing and administer the math portion at the end of the testing window. This would allow for more instruction prior to the math exam.

Sophomore students Brian Hoy and Tathya Modi will receive recognition later on this year for their scores on the PSAT taken in October. Approximately 1.5 million students took the exam and Brian and Tathya will be among 50,000 of the highest scoring participants. Congratulations to both.

The junior class and the After Prom Committee are hard at work in preparation for this year's Prom. This year's event will be held at the Flanders in Ocean City on a Friday and the students will follow a half day schedule with the school staff volunteering to help set up for the After Prom.

The Go Green Earth Day Festival was held in the high school cafeteria last evening. Carnival games, environmental displays, students bands, and of course, food was the theme for the day. Thank you to Mrs. Moore and the Go Green Club for their outstanding dedication and planning of this event. Roughly \$500 was raised during the event. This money will be donated to Wildlife Conservation.

The Spring Step performance will be held in the PAC tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. Several students from throughout the entire district will be performing and have been working very hard during the entire school year for this annual event. Thank you to Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Major for their continued efforts with this group.

Neumann University recently recognized 2016 MTHS graduate Jarrett Langrell for his volunteerism to the United States Marine Corps Community Service Project. Neumann University RISES on the values of reverence, Integrity, Service, Excellence, and Stewardship. It is clear that Jarrett is living the actions these values inspire. Jarrett was actively involved in community service as a member of our student body. It is obvious that he has continued to represent both our school district and his family very well.

Sports Update (as of 4/19/17)

* Spring sports schedules are available at www.capeatlanticleague.org. Check out the Middle Township High School Athletics Facebook page.

