

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

“SUNSHINE MOMENTS”

SCHOOL: Elementary # 1
DATE: May 18, 2017

PRINCIPAL: Christian Paskalides

1. Elementary #1 celebrated Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week with a luncheon on May 4th 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 Tuesday, May 2nd, High School Interact Club presented their annual Josh the Otter program teaching water safety and awareness to preschool students. All students received a free book and a visit from Josh the Otter himself. Thank you to Ms. Dillon and the High School Interact Club.
3. We are very excited to announce the launch of Elementary #1's lemonade stand. Miss Hannings, Miss VanTrieste, and Mrs. Davis' class operate a lemonade stand on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at parent pick-up. Students are learning social skills, advertising techniques, accounting, following proper health and safety guidelines, and more. All proceeds from the stand go to the John O'Dea special education fund. A special thank you to Andrea Davis, Tina Barlteson, and Bill Stahl for creating a meaningful and educational experience for the students.
4. We would also like to thank the following organizations for their generous donations this school year: Polar Bear Walk/Run for Autism donated \$1000, Soar Church in Woodbine, NJ provided all funding for a trip to Mousetrap lanes Bowling Center. Other past donors include the Middle Twp. Fire Department, and Kindle Ford.

Middle Township Elementary School #2

"Helping Every Child Achieve Success"

Sunshine Moments- May, 2017

- On April 28th, members of our Dance Team performed along with the middle and high school's teams as they presented their annual spring show. This show featured several 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 2nd, 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 25th, our advanced band will perform at the first 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.
- Elementary #2 recently hosted an assembly program in conjunction with Stockton University. Several university thespians were on-hand to perform the play entitled "The Girl in the Haystack." The play was based on a true story surrounding the Holocaust and supported our fifth-grade Holocaust and Genocide curriculum. The show itself concluded with a question and answer period relative to the show's anti-bullying theme facilitated by a Holocaust survivor. The students were very engaged and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



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SCHOOL: Middle School **PRINCIPAL:** Dr. T. Lehman

DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2016

Congratulations to 6th grader Olivia Allen. She was this year's school winner of the Drug and Alcohol Public Service Announcement Contest. Olivia read her public service announcement at a local recognition breakfast at Avalon Links Golf Club. Alex's PSA was also aired during the month of April on the local radio to promote Alcohol Awareness Month. Thank you to Ms. Tweed for encouraging your students to enter this contest.

On Friday, April 28, the Middle School Step Team, including members from all 4 schools in our district presented their spring performance, "The Journey". The Journey was a variety of routines, both modern and lyrical. The show also included guest performances by the HS Dance Academy, Barefoot Rhythms, and Haddonfield Memorial High School's Dance Team. The team also invited teachers, staff, and administrators to participate in the finale.

On April 29th, MTMS hosted its second annual Color Run at the Cape May County Zoo. We had a great number of participants. Over 40 teacher volunteers came out to support this amazing event, along with parents, kids, and local sports teams. The MTMS staff would like to extend a thank you to the board for approving this incredible event.

I would like to acknowledge several of our staff members who were integral in the administration of this year's PARCC testing. A huge thank you to testing coordinator, Connie Chabok and technology expert Heather Chew for planning, scheduling, and helping teachers to successfully administer the PARCC test. Thank you to Pat O'Dea and Matt Gilbert for being on site to troubleshoot and work through technical issues. All testing teachers and key staff members have done a tremendous job in helping to administer this spring test.

Congratulations to 8th graders Aislin Robb and John Leahy for representing Middle Township Middle School at the Cape May County School Administrators Outstanding 8th grader recognition dinner on May 10. Dr. Salvo and I had the pleasure of attending to highlight the successes and accomplishments of these exemplary students.

Congratulations to 8th graders Ishika Patel and Aislin Robb whose National History Day project, "Herbert Hoover: Saving Belgium", qualified for the state competition. They recently competed at William Patterson University. The opportunity to pursue this project was made possible by Social Studies teacher, Mr. Chris White.

Congratulations to Middle Township Middle School Peace Essay contest winners who recently also meet at the Quaker House Meeting in Seaville to receive their awards and recognition. The following students also received monetary awards- Dakota Ludman, Landon Osmundsen, McKenna Gregory, Bryn Dougherty, & Hannah Price.



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Several members of the class of 2017 and 2018 volunteered their services during the Ocean Drive Marathon held in late March. As a result of their efforts, a check in the amount of \$200 was donated to the classes because of their efforts. Thank you to Ms. Dillon for filling in for Mrs. Hogg and in her role with recruiting and monitoring our students during this event .

On May 9th, the annual Spring Band Concert was held in the PAC. The students played a variety of pieces in various instrumental ensembles as well as a performance by our 2017 TIA Chapter One Champion Indoor Colorguard. Mr. Weatherby and Mr. Thomas led the night of performers and did an outstanding job in conducting the concert. Seniors Alyse Lord, Alison Risko, John Reynolds, Shannon Risko, Ross Raftery, Nicole Bowden, Kelly Geary, Rachael Flannery, Hannah Farrow, Maribeth Novsak, Ruby Washington, Gabrielle Toth, Jake Mericle, and Emma Carlson completed outstanding careers in our instrumental music program.

The vocal music program held their annual concert on Tuesday May 16th. The evening featured selections from a variety of musicals, including The Sound of Music, South of Pacific, You 're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, and Ragtime. Featured soloists were Alan Rendzak, Thomas Jefferson, Hanna Rose Zoltowski and Anika Buchanan who placed 4th in the Ocean City pops student Competition earlier this month.

There are several things important things scheduled for the next few days: Monday, May 22 the Dance Academy will hold its annual performance, and Wednesday, May 24th, the Performing Arts Penny Awards night will begin at 6 pm.

The high school prom will be held this weekend at the The Flanders in Ocean City. The starting time for the promenade will be 6:00 pm. A special thank you goes out to Mrs. Lambert for doing an outstanding job coordinating this event. Following the prom, the annual After Prom experience will be held in the high school. The after prom committee and its volunteers do an outstanding job providing a safe and secure venue filled with several fun activities for our students. Close to 400 students will attendance for the evening.

Sports Update (as of 5/16/17)

- Lady Panthers lacrosse is seeded No. 1 in South Jersey Group 1 and gets a first-round bye. They host Moorestown Friends on Thursday 5/18/17. Bridget Ruskey broke the state record for goals and Allison Hunter broke the state record for assists.
- Panthers golf was undefeated and Cape Atlantic League National Conference champs under first-year head Coach Dave Joslin.
- Panthers tennis also CAL National Conference champs!
- Boys and girls track teams each placed second in the Cape May County championships on Friday 5/12/17. We have county champs in seven events: Josh Moore in high jump; Gary James Nagle in pole vault; Nadine Coyle in 100-meter hurdles and shot put; Caroline Gallagher in 200- and 400-meters; Maribeth Novsak in discus. Athletes are competing in the CAL Championship in Bridgeton on 5/18/17.
- Bridget Ruskey is Cape Atlantic League Female Athlete of the Year.
- Lady Panthers softball hosts Overbrook in the South Jersey Group 1 playoff opener on Thursday 5/18/17. Panthers baseball's first playoff game to be determined as of this date.