

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

“SUNSHINE MOMENTS”

SCHOOL: Elementary # 1

PRINCIPAL: Mr. Christian Paskalides

DATE: April 19, 2018

1. On Tuesday, March 27th, Elementary #1 hosted our annual Math, Science and Technology Night. Families participated in a variety of “Winter Olympic” themed activities. Thank you to Shelley McFadden and the entire Science, Math and Technology Committee for putting together an excellent event for all to enjoy. All activities support our district’s strategic plan, and are highlighted on our Facebook page.
2. Elementary #1’s new social skills program called “PAWS” continues to be a big hit with the staff and students. April’s theme is “Be PAWS-A-TIVE- Use kind words.” Students have been earning special PAWS stickers which earn them a chance to pick from the PAWS prize box. A special thank you to Assistant Principal Don Robertson, the Social Skills Committee, and the staff for their support of the program.

Middle Township Elementary School #2

"Helping Every Child Achieve Success"

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- Recently, our fifth-grade students have been participating in the L.E.A.D. program which provides a meaningful anti-drug curriculum and message. Last Friday, the students travelled to Stone Harbor where they saw the movie ***Sherlock Gnomes***; this field trip was completely funded by the Middle Twp. Police officers who participate in the program. A special thank you to officer Mark Higgenbottom who spends countless hours organizing, fundraising, and implementing the program in our school.
- 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, Dr. Lehman, Patrick O'Dea, and Matt Gilbert for their efforts prior to, and during the assessment. Truly, it has been a group effort and everyone's assistance has been greatly appreciated.
- Congratulations to Cyndi Dykhouse, a special education teacher, who has been awarded a \$3,000 grant provided by the Polar Bear Run/Walk for Autism. This grant will be used to purchase materials to support our special education self-contained programs at Elementary #2.



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DATE: Thursday, April 19, 2018

Congratulations to the cast and crew of the Middle School Musical “The Addams Family” who gave three great shows in the performing arts center on the weekend of March 23 and March 24. Special congratulations to our 8th grade members who will be taking their talents to the high school next year.

On March 15, Mr. Farrow and Mrs. McGarrity accompanied students to Camden County College to participate in the New Jersey Consortia for Excellence through Equity Middle School Student Leadership Conference called Building Bridges to Success. Student participants in this valuable opportunity attended several breakout sessions and a presentation by Keynote Speaker Mr. Darryl “Coach D” Andrews on what students could do to “Blaze their trail to success.” Mr. Farrow reported that our students stood out as true leaders at this conference.

Tomorrow, April 20, members of Cape Assist will partner with our guidance department to provide grade level assemblies to coincide with Alcohol Awareness Month. In addition, they will incorporate the dangers of vaping into this program. Special thanks to Monica DeRose for arranging this program made possible through a grant from the Middle Township Municipal Alliance Committee and the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

Our spring sports season got under way this week. The boys baseball and girls softball teams look to have successful seasons. Best of luck to our student-athletes.



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- A gentleman named Carl Wilkens spoke to the student body on Thursday March 27th in the PAC. Carl was the only American to stay in Rwanda during the Rwandan genocide in the early 90's. His story was one of courage and standing up against hatred. It was such a great message for our students.
- The following students have earned the State Seal of Biliteracy which recognizes high school graduates who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, listening, and writing in one or more world languages, in addition to English. The following students are: Ruth Moya, Gladys Avila, Odalys Avila, Narcisse Cortes-Lopez and Herimanjaka Rasoloharison.
- Our high school hosted an Open House on Wednesday, April 11th, from 6:30pm to 8pm. Seventh and eighth grade students and their families were invited to walk our halls and learn about our program of studies, clubs, athletics, and academies. Visitors were able to speak with administrators, guidance, teachers, coaches, and current high school students during the event. A big thank you to Ms. Nicole Drake and her committee for making this night possible.
- We have 5 students participating in the Ocean City Pops Young Artist Competition on May 2nd. They are: Alan Rendzak (C'est Moi), Hannah Rose Lafferty Zoltowski (Ring Them Bells), Joshua Hettenbach (If I Can't Love Her), Lena Dougherty (Finer Things), and Thomas Jefferson (They Call the Wind Maria)

Sports Update (as of 4/9/18)

- Congratulations to Panthers tennis Coach Matt Gilbert, who achieved his 200th career win on April 6, 2018. The team was undefeated heading into the second week of the season.
- Panthers lacrosse has a new website. Check out www.middlelax.com.

- Lady Panthers softball had a safe and enjoyable trip to ESPN Wide World of Sports in Orlando, Fla.
- Spring Break saw some snazzy décor additions to the hallways, including a mural in the hallway that leads to the gym entrance. Photo attached!
- Tom Feraco's golf outing and annual wine tasting are slated for April 27, 2018 at the Avalon Golf & Country Club. Some proceeds of the events benefit our athletics programs. Information on how to participate/buy tickets is available in the athletics office.
- Spring sports are underway! Schedules are available at www.capeatlanticleague.org.



