1. Last month at our annual awards assemblies for grades K-2, each child was recognized for their participation in our school wide PAWS Program. Students were also recognized for attendance, excellence in art and PE class, and Mathathon participation.

2. On Monday, July 8th, Elementary #1 kicked off its summer program. More than 80 students are in attendance from grades PK-2. The students are in school from 8:30 – 11:30 and participate in reading, writing and mathematics activities that support our literacy and the math program. A special thank you to our summer school staff for teaching the program and enhancing the students’ learning during these summer months.
The 2019 Summer Learning Program at Elementary #2 began on July 8th. Over 70 students have been attending the program which is providing additional academic support in the areas of language arts and mathematics. Students are receiving a “jump start” to the new school year as they preview the mathematics and language arts material that is covered during the first several weeks of the new school year. Many thanks to the following staff members for their dedication, enthusiasm, and commitment to our students during the summer months: Margie DeLollis, Jay Wynn, Joe O’Connell, Kathy Watts, Scott Salinsky, Sue Vallese, Kim Fiore, and Julie Moore.

A special “thank you” to the school’s PTO for donating $5000.00 to support our educational programs. The funds will be used to purchase new Chromebooks and a mobile storage cart. All of the staff members will have access to the Chromebooks which will be used to support our Google Apps and technology initiative.

In June we held our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade Academic Awards Assemblies. Students were recognized for excellence in their academic subject areas, attendance, and merit. A new award was added this year by the 5th grade staff. Teachers selected 4 students as recipients of the first Kindness Award, inspired by their friend and classmate, Kanen Keating-Wear. It is our hope to continue with this recognition in the years to come as we continue to focus on the importance being kind through various initiatives being planned for next year. It was a pleasure to provide autographed copies of Kanen’s book and a Kindness Award to Devin Holt, Maggie Farrell, Arabella Aithaddad and Lucas Moore.
MIDDLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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“SUNSHINE MOMENTS”

SCHOOL: Middle School PRINCIPAL: Mr. Jeff Ortman
DATE: Thursday, July 18, 2019

On Thursday, July 25, the Middle School will hold its annual incoming 6th grade parent/student BBQ. Parents will attend an orientation presentation followed by an outdoor BBQ where they will get a chance to interact with other parents, staff and administration.

The Middle School is currently hosting several summer programs. The sixth grade experience helps to acclimate students to the Middle School. Students will have an opportunity to tour the building, thest opening their lockers, gain an understanding of the clubs and programs offered, and meets one of their teachers. In addition to the experience, the Middle School is also holding STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) based classes.

Administration would like to extend a job well done to our custodial staff for getting our classrooms and building ready for the upcoming school year and to our transportation department for working with us on the summer bus routes.
Sunshine Moments July 2019

- Ms. Biederman’s art students were finalist for a second year in a row in the Vans Custom Culture Contest. Out of 2000 high schools this year, Middle Twp. High School made it to the top 50 again. The students selected two themes to show off their vans. They were: One Local Flavor and Vans off the Wall. Ms. Biederman and her students were super excited to be selected again for their impressive works of art.

- Middle Twp. High School has been awarded an Artist in Residence grant for 2019-2020 school year. This grant is for $10,000 dollars and entails the following: a professional artist working with our students and staff to create a walking labyrinth outside of our school, the artist will also spend 4 days with our students and staff working on the planning of the labyrinth and spend a professional development day with our four district art teachers, and lastly the artist will hold a reflection session and culminating event to celebrate the finished labyrinth.

- On Tuesday, June 18th at 3:30pm, 186 graduates walked across Memorial Field to receive their high school diploma. It was a beautiful celebration attended by students, parents, relatives, and friends. Thank you to all who attended this joyous occasion.

- High School Summer Summary: 8 students attended Credit Completion/Attendance Sessions during the week of June 24th. The 8 students made up the days to receive credit for specific classes as they continue to march towards the state mandate of 120 credits. Currently, 20 students are attending our Summer School Sessions. The 20 students are taking a three week course to receive credit in either Financial Literacy, Physical Education, English, or History. In addition, 46 students are registered for our first AP Boot Camp, which will take place on August 6th, 7th, and 8th. Lastly, 41 students are registered to take part in our Navy Cadet Program, lifting off in September.

- Important Dates:

  July 23rd and 24th - Freshmen Experience 8:30am to 11:30am
  August 6th, 7th, and 8th - AP Boot Camp 8:30am to 11:30am
Athletic Sunshine Moments (as of 7/11/19)

- Congratulations to Panthers multi-sport athlete Kira Sides, who was named Press of Atlantic City's girls lacrosse Player of the Year. Several other athletes were designated first- and second-team all stars, and received honorable mention.

- All sports teams took a well-deserved break July 1-July 7 and are now back to work!

- Signs are available for businesses to advertise at Memorial Field, Shunpike and Boyd Street venues. Sign up form will be posted on our Facebook and Twitter pages.

- Fall sports schedules are available on www.capeatlanticleague.org. Stay up to date by downloading RSchoolToday app.