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AN AGE-OLD CRAFT!



Sixth grader Meredith Albertelli, a Lincoln Avenue Alumni, and her father, Mr. Louis Albertelli, provided **Mr. Dragotta's 5th grade** class the wonderful opportunity to experience the art of leatherworking. Mr. Albertelli was taught such an age old practice from his very own father, and, in turn, has taught his very own children as well. Mr. Dragotta's class was in the presence of a 3-generation-tradition now being shared with them! The class was able to connect such leather working techniques, and history, to various topics previously studied in Social Studies coming to understand that such hand-crafted-techniques and crafts as leatherworking are becoming more and more rare today as technology advances at such a rapid pace. Many children in Mr. Dragotta's class are now quite interested in picking up the age old craft this summer in hopes of becoming experts themselves. Each student was able to handcraft a leather made souvenir, with Mr. Albertelli's and Meredith guidance, customized with detailed stamped-graphics,

stamped-initials, as well as with leather binding. Maybe you will notice a few on various backpacks here and then!

Designing Draft Detectors

Mrs. Geiger's Fourth Grade Class created draft detectors as part of our science program. Our task was to identify the problem our device would solve, and create a prototype to build in the Stem Room. We were given certain materials that we could use in our design. We had to think about our design constraints and re-evaluate our device as we built them. We did an awesome job building our draft detectors!



JUNE



Dates to Remember

6/4	Grade 4 Science Testing
6/4	K.I.S.S. Workshop 6:45pm
6/6	Sire Based Team Mtg. 8:15am
6/6	Field Day 3-5

June (con't)

6/7 Field Day 3-5 (raindate)
6/8 Grade 3 Recorder Recital 9:20am
6/12 All District Concert 7:30 at MS
6/14 Flag Day Ceremony 9:20am
6/20 Kindergarten Luau
6/20 Fifth Grade Party 4pm
6/21 Grade 5 Moving Up Ceremony
OJHS 9:30am
6/22 Last day of school!

Please Check the Lost and Found!

There are *many items* waiting to be discovered at Lincoln Avenue. Please encourage your child to take a look at the Lost and Found!



The Lincoln Avenue Chorus Concert Rocked the House!



WordMasters



Congratulations to Brett Lennihan

Fourth grader, Brett Lennihan, recently received **a perfect score** in the third of three meets in this year's WordMasters Challenge™—a national vocabulary competition involving nearly 150,000 students

annually. WordMasters is a an after school enrichment program provided by SayvilleSchools, for students in grades and five.

Competing in the difficult Blue Division of the WordMasters Challenge™, fourth **grader Brett Lennihan earned a perfect score of 20** on the challenge. **Nationally, only 42 fourth graders achieved this result.**

The students were coached in preparation for the WordMasters Challenge™ by Ms. Rita Galvin.

The WordMasters Challenge™ is an exercise in critical thinking that first encourages students to become familiar with a set of interesting new words (considerably harder than grade level), and then challenges them to use those words to complete analogies expressing various kinds of logical relationships. Working to solve the analogies helps students learn to think both analytically and metaphorically.

Although most vocabulary enrichment and analogy-solving programs are designed for use by high school students, WordMasters Challenge™ materials have been specifically created for younger students in grades three through eight. They are particularly well suited for children who are motivated by the challenge of learning new words and enjoy the logical puzzles posed by analogies.

Congratulations Brett!

Five Ways to Encourage Reading This Summer



While school is out, keep reading in! Let's work together to help prevent what is known as the summer slide. Studies show that children who don't read or who read rarely over the summer encounter a decline in their reading skills. There are ways in

which we can help prevent that during the summer. Here are some tips for reading success this summer:

- 1) **Let your child choose what they want to read.** Children will read more if they are provided with the opportunity to choose high interest reading material. A great way to do that is to go to the Sayville Public Library and get involved in the summer reading program!
- 2) **Read all around!** Use language all day and read environmental materials on all your excursions. For example, maps, magazines, brochures, signs, menus, guidebooks, smartphones and I-pads.
- 3) **Model reading for your child.** Bring reading materials with you and make it a family event!

Share your stories! Good readers model what it means to enjoy a story.

- 4) **Read with a purpose and connect it to your life.** For example, if you are going to Hershey Park, go on the website with your child and read about things to do while you are there.

- 5) **Keep reading in your daily schedule and change it up!** Read outdoors in a tent or at the beach! Keep books in the car for long trips and put apps on your phones and ipads to play word games and listen to stories.

When your child comes to school in September it will be evident they have read books and they will be proud to share the stories with their teachers.

Library Books are due back to school no later than June 8th!

Fourth Graders Take Manhattan!



Our fourth graders completed an Aladdin inspired unit that spread across the curriculum.

Instruction consisted of Arabic instruments and music composition with Mrs. Cirillo, Fairy Tales with Mrs. Whitehurst, 1,001 Nights and virtual reality travel with Mrs. Volpe, Mindfulness and meditation with Coach Bolger and Mr. Slinkosky, and architectural drawing with Mr. Michaels. On April 18th, the fourth graders classroom teachers, and special area teachers traveled to Manhattan to see Aladdin on Broadway. Not only did they get to enjoy the show, but they were all in awe over the structural design and historical value of the New

Amsterdam Theater, Manhattan's oldest operating theater, built in 1903. A beautiful day filled with memories was had by all!



K-2 Field Day! May 30th, 2018



GAME CLUB!

Students have been gathering on Thursday mornings just before school to engage in board games. Students practice turn-taking, playing by the rules, and simply enjoy one another's company. Thank you to Ms. Cassagnau and Ms. Galvin for providing this early morning experience!





Thank you to Coach Bolger and Mr. Slinkosky for their careful planning, preparation, and creativity in providing our K-2 students with an amazing Field Day experience! A BIG thank you to our PARENT VOLUNTEERS!

