

Lincoln Avenue Elementary School

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Duathlon 2018!



After a postponement due to a mild nor'easter, and despite the snow earlier in that week, the elementary athletes gathered at Sunrise Drive for our annual run-bike-run. Mr. Gary Jensen, a recent finisher in the Iron Man Competition in Hawaii, is passionate about bringing this run-bike-run experience to our students.



Opening ceremonies included a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem.



Mrs. Barile registers one of our athletes.

Students enter the competition to challenge themselves. The sense of accomplishment is evident in their faces as they cross the finish line! Mr. Jensen hopes that the experience will encourage students to strive for physical prowess throughout their lives.



Such satisfaction after the race!
Every athlete went home with a Duathlon T-Shirt, supported by our local businesses. Thank you Sayville!

Congratulations Maria Sheltz Recipient of Tenure



Ms. Sheltz is our teacher of English as a New Language. She works in conjunction with a classroom teacher in each grade level to ensure English language learners receive appropriate interventions and accommodations to help them succeed. Ms. Sheltz also serves as a tremendous support and as a great resource to limited English speaking families. Ms. Sheltz is dedicated to her work and an asset to Lincoln Avenue. Congratulations Ms. Sheltz!

Mentoring Breakfast Kick-off



Under the direction of our school social worker, Ms. Carluccio, Lincoln Avenue's mentoring program began on Thursday, November 8th. The kick-off allowed for staff volunteers to meet with a student and a member of his/her family, while enjoying a fabulous pancake breakfast! Our volunteer mentors are matched with a student, who they meet with each week throughout the school year. We have found that this developed relationship helps to connect students to their school, and provides the child with a chance to build a trusting relationship with an adult who will listen and advocate.

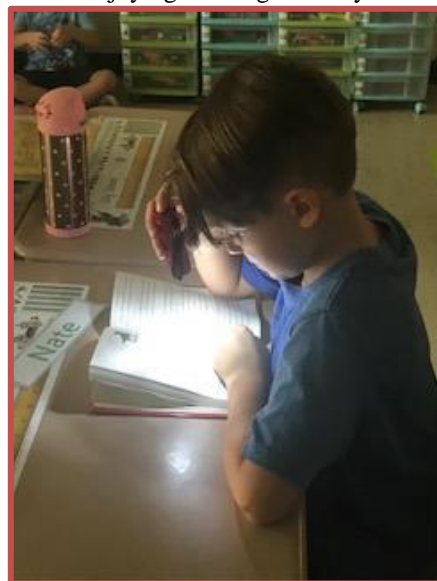
News from Second Grade Fun Fridays!

Mrs. Gennari's class has certainly kept working and learning fun and exciting! Her class recently added "Flashlight Friday" and "STEM Bins" to our "Fun Friday" agenda. First, the children choose a headlamp or a flashlight and cozy up to a good book while in a darkened room! The students love it! After that, also on Fridays, the children are provided a "STEM Bin" where they are challenged to create a structure. After creating the structure, the pair must decide what changes to make to improve that structure. Lots of fun and plenty of creativity in the classroom!

Students take on the paper cup challenge!



Enjoying Flashlight Friday!



ART CLUB



Fifth grade students are working creatively with Mr. Michaels during their recess periods to produce acrylic paintings on canvas. We are looking forward to the finished pieces coming soon!

Writers, Writers, Everywhere!

The students in Mrs. Order's 4th grade class, along with their kindergarten buddies in Mrs. LoCurto's class, are LOVING writer's workshop! Not only do they love the writing and illustrating, they love sharing their published pieces. The kindergarteners shared their completed writing pieces with their buddies at their Writer's Celebration. They told their story, and explained their illustrations.



The fourth graders helped guide their storytelling, and engaged the kindergarteners in a dialogue about their piece. The celebration commenced with an apple juice toast, and many congratulations!

Chunky Monkey, Stretchy Snake, Oh My!



Mrs. Longobardi reports that the fun "friends" (posters - pictured above) help her first graders remember the reading strategies they can use when coming upon a challenging or tricky word. Each one is sung to a familiar tune. Ask your first grader to sing "Chunky Monkey!"

December



Dates to Remember

- 12/5 Parent Teacher Conferences 11:40 Dismissal
- 12/5 PTA Meeting 7:00pm
- 12/6 Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm
- 12/8 SEPTA Holiday Breakfast
- 12/11 Choral Concert **Middle School** 7:30pm
- 12/12 Kindness Sandwich Cafeteria 3:30
- 12/19 Family Connect Night
- 12/24-1/2 Schools Closed

Escape Rooms in Physical Education



**Can you ESCAPE PE?
Teamwork makes the dreamwork!**



Escape rooms are the latest craze. They are physical adventure games in which players solve a series of puzzles, mazes, and riddles using clues, hints, and problem solving to complete the objectives. Coach Bolger created Escape Rooms that challenged our students to communicate and cooperate to “make their escape” all while staying active!



The students must make their way past all the puzzles and physical challenges before time runs out. Our students were able to find the potion in the Muscle Maze of Doom, help put Bob Bones back together in our Bag of Bones challenge. In addition, they were able to save Sayville from Broccoli Brad in our Candyland room! The students have created some great memories with friends all while learning health and fitness concepts.... and staying active!

Extra! Extra! Read All About It!

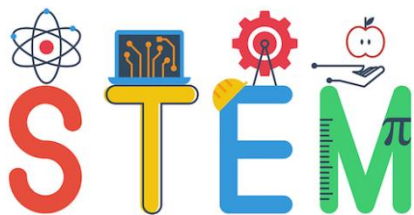


Fourth graders in Mr. Campbell's Class are on the brink of publishing their very own newspaper. "The Lincoln Avenue Monthly" covers important issues such as friendships, suggested reading, comics, upcoming school events, and more. We are proud of their leadership, organization, and efforts!

Attention 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders! Save the Date!

The District-Wide STEM Symposium
is coming January 15th, 2019!

REGISTRATION BEGINS DECEMBER 7th



Family Fun!

We are planning an evening of science for you and your students in grades 2-5. We hope the evening will help spark enthusiasm and interest in our annual science fair, as well as provide an enjoyable and memorable evening. Fliers will be distributed shortly, allowing you to sign up for the various workshops offered. Save the date!

The Inclusive Sports and Fitness Walk Serves as the Culminating Activity in our Abilities Awareness Month!



A Unit in Abilities Awareness - Our Walk for ISF and
Visiting Author, Amy McCoy

We thank our PTA for enhancing our "Abilities Awareness Month" even further this year by bringing in the author, Amy McCoy. Ms. McCoy's book, "Little Big Sister" speaks to our theme of accepting differences and the fact that we ALL possess varying abilities. Students revisited this message as they read or listened to their teacher read McCoy's book. Students also had the opportunity to learn about how the author's ideas were formulated, and more about the publishing process. We are looking forward to the sequel to be published in 2019!





During Abilities Awareness month, Coach Bolger provided students with the opportunity to experience what it may feel like, and what kind of effort is exerted when you possess a physical or cognitive disability. In other special area classes, students learn about the many successful individuals within the arts, who were challenged by a disability. Students learn to reflect on their strengths and weaknesses.



Randi Sanseviro from ISF thanked students for their work. This year, we concluded the unit with a walk for Instructional Sports and Fitness. The entire Lincoln Avenue body and family members walked to raise money for this non-profit organization which has helped many of Lincoln Avenue students gain access to physical fitness

and sports. ISF provides skilled therapeutic fitness and rehabilitation services to children in our community to enhance their skill set.



Our students raised over \$2,600.00!

THANK YOU!

*We hope you enjoyed your Thanksgiving!
Photos from the Fifth Grade Feast!*





