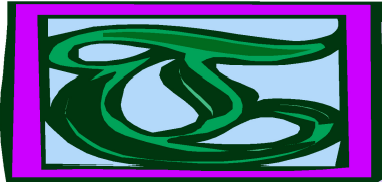


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THANKSGIVING

"He is a wise man who does not grieve
for the things which he has not,
but rejoices for those which he has."

Epictetus

Greetings 5ive 6ix School Families,

Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to reflect on how much we have to be thankful for. As the principal of this wonderful "Academy of Learning", I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you and your children-"our scholars"; and aid in molding and nurturing their young lives. I am also thankful for the staff, the administrators, teachers, para-educators, secretaries, support personnel and custodians, who work diligently to make our school a safe haven for children to learn and grow. They are caring and committed. The parents, volunteers and community members who come into our school and work tirelessly to enrich our students' lives are just another part of our family for whom I am grateful. However, most of all, I am thankful for our student-scholars who come to school everyday with great expectation. They are truly precious and invaluable gifts that you lend to us.

It is our hope that you and yours truly enjoy this season of family, fun and gratitude!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mrs. Whiting

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * 12:30 DISMISSAL FOR WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 30, 2009
- * PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
WILL TAKE PLACE ON 12/1/09 & 12/3/09
- * "COOL COURSES" - AFTER SCHOOL
CLUBS BEGINNING WEEK OF 12/7.
LOOK FOR FLYER.
- * NEXT PTA MEETING - 12/8/09
- * WINTER CONCERT - 12/10/09

SAFETY PATROL

The 5ive6ix School Safety Patrol Team is an organization of students that are dedicated to serving their school, teachers and fellow students. Safety Patrol Team members voluntarily assume the responsibility of ensuring student safety upon entrance to and dismissal from the school. Safety Patrol Team members are on duty for 2 shifts during the school day - one in the morning as students enter the building and again in the afternoon as the students exit the building. The Safety Patrol Team Members are doing an outstanding job in serving as role models for the student body. Mr. Greenwood, Assistant Principal



DI TEAM

Did you ever wonder what would happen if you weren't afraid to think outside the box? if not, then you can just ask Arisnelly Catano, Gabrielle Menendez, Allison Mucaro, Emrie Nesimi, Stephen Raman, or Kellie Smalls, the Five-Six School Destination ImagiNation team. These students will be representing the Five-Six School in the DI state-wide competition, which is held in the Spring. The team is given a challenge, which usually consists of a problem in need of a solution. They come together each week for several months before the competition to try and solve the problem at hand. The students will act out their solution by using props they have made on their own, and they will brainstorm different ideas in order to create a story. When you see these students in the hallway, give them the support and encouragement that you have learned to give throughout your scholarly educational career at Hackensack.

Mr. Martin, DI Coach



5ive 6ix School Student Council News



The 5ive 6ix School Student Council is proud to announce that we have had another successful year of activities. This is our 8th year!

The process was simple. Students selected two classmates from the sixth grade to become the President and Vice President (Giovanni Sortino and Fouzia Dana) and two students from the fifth grade for Secretary and Treasurer (Jahvan Quinerly and Wajdi Ahemed).

Students also chose two Class Representatives from each fifth and sixth grade homeroom. Representatives will act as liaisons - sharing their class's ideas with the council and reporting on council meetings to their classmates.

The four representatives of the Executive Board wrote speeches and made a poster to campaign for each of their positions. Following democratic procedures, students voted for council officers and class representatives and the newly elected officials promised to work diligently on behalf of the people who supported them.

Student council officers and representatives work hard to fulfill their responsibilities. For Thanksgiving, the council is organizing a food drive in which every homeroom, in the 5ive 6ix School, is collecting boxed and canned foods donated by students and parents. A big shout out to everyone who helped make our Food Drive so successful!

The Student Council has planned many other fun filled activities for the students, including: Favorite T-shirt Day, Dress Up Day, Favorite Team Jersey Day, Crazy Hair Day, Valentine Candy Grams, Crazy Hat Day, Twin Day, Fundraisers, Parent/Guardian Appreciation Day, 5th Grade Dance, and 6th Grade Dance.

Student Council Advisor-Ms. Corso-Grade 5 Science Teacher.

HOOPS FOR HEART

Mrs. Flaim -
Physical Education



The Hackensack 5/6 School and Middle School Physical Education Department has teamed up with the American Heart Association to bring a community service program called Hoops for Heart to our schools. By participating in Hoops for Heart, our students joined millions of other children across the country in a meaningful opportunity to learn and help others. They learned that Hoops for Heart is important because some kids, not just adults, have heart problems; if you eat right and exercise, your heart will work better; and it feels great to help save lives. All students in grades 5-8 had over 2 weeks to collect donations. Students brought in their donations on the day of their event which was a 3 on 3 basketball tournament. The tournaments took place during all Physical Education Classes. The students that have physical education class on day 1, had their tournament on Wednesday, November 4, 2009. The students that have physical education class on day 2, had their tournament on Monday, November 9, 2009. Participants in all grade levels were very enthusiastic. The top 3 teams with the most wins were announced at the end of each class period. Both tournament days proved to be fun and exciting for all who were involved. Coach LaRose and Mrs. Flaim would like to give special thanks to those students that brought in donations.

