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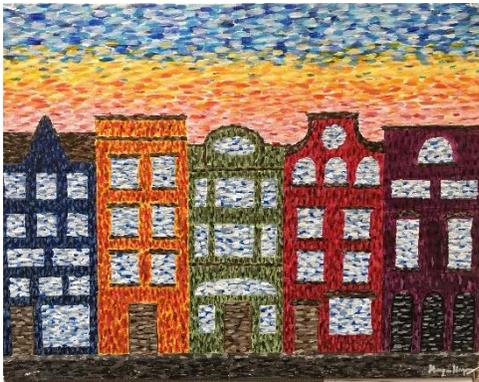
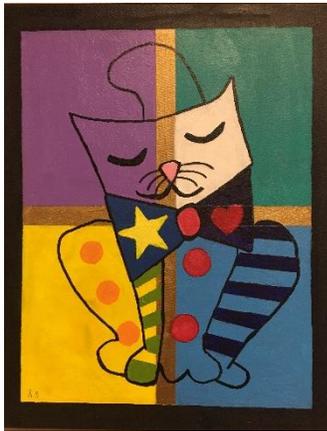
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District Art Show to Go Virtual

Art teachers in the Coatesville Area School District have started to set up the annual District Art Show, traditionally held in the spring.



For the first time ever, you will be able to view the District Art Show from the comfort of your home. The Coatesville Area School District plans to videotape the art show so that parents, students, and others can enjoy it online. Watch the District's Facebook page for more information. In the meantime, here's a sampling.



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Coatesville Athletes in the Spotlight

CASH Student Sets Basketball Scoring Record

Congratulations to senior, Jhamir Brickus, who is now Coatesville Area Senior High School's All-Time leading scorer in basketball. Although the boys' basketball team was defeated by Roman Catholic High School, the team never disappoints in their effort and heart. Coatesville is proud of their accomplishments.



East Fallowfield Swimmer Qualifies for Junior Olympics

Congratulations to fourth-grader Ezriah Anderson for qualifying and participating in the Junior Olympics. Ezriah qualified for nine different events. He placed 13th out of 64 in the 50-yard backstroke, 14th out of 67 in the 100-yard IM, 5th out of 61 in the 50-yard fly, 10th out of 86 in the 100-yard freestyle, 9th out of 63 in the 100-yard backstroke, and 15th out of 73 in the 50-yard freestyle. What an amazing accomplishment!

North Brandywine Wrestler 3rd in State

Congratulations to Jason Torres. Last weekend, Jason placed 3rd in the state at the Pennsylvania Jr. High State Wrestling tournament in Johnstown Pennsylvania. Jason battled all weekend, only losing one match that went into overtime. Jason is very dedicated to this sport, and we are very proud of him!



Caln Hockey Player's Team Wins District Championships

Samantha Gomez, a fourth-grade student at Caln Elementary School, helped lead her ice hockey team to victory in the District Championships at the end of February. Samantha plays ice hockey with the Jr Flyers Girls 10 and Under Team. They participated in district playoffs in Hatfield, Pennsylvania. Teams in their district were from other parts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Her team finished the regular season with 10 wins, one loss, and one tie.

High School Students Bring Back Lessons on Race, Gender, and Political Power

Coatesville Area Senior High School American Government students and teachers attended a symposium on race, gender, and political power at Delaware County Community College on February 26.

Students participated in a panel discussion held by five academic professionals of diverse backgrounds from local colleges, universities, and think tanks. Author and 2007 Coatesville graduate, Justin LaKyle Brown, a

diversity awareness consultant, was one of the panelists.

The topics that were discussed included intersectionality, race, gender, sexual orientation, and political power. Several Coatesville students contributed to the panel discussion by asking questions of the participants. The students also participated in a breakout session with



students from other schools where questions were asked, and topics were discussed in further detail. The experience was so thought-provoking that CASH students continued the conversation on the bus and in the Large Group Room upon returning to the high school

Reeceville Second-Graders Dive into Theater and Poetry

Reeceville Elementary School's entire second grade had a fabulous trip recently to see "Junie B. Jones" at Dutch Apple Theater. The students enjoyed the buffet lunch and loved the show. The second-graders are also tapping into their

creativity with a writing unit on poetry. They have been exploring the use of different words, figurative language, line breaks and imagery. One class also learned about limericks and created a wall of "Leprechauns and Limericks."



Got Grit? These Students Do

The Coatesville Area Intermediate High School was proud to recognize a few of its students at a recent School Board meeting.

Congratulations to 10th-graders John Damiani and Rebekah Hughes, who were presented with “Got Grit” shirts at the meeting by the Youth Mentor Partnership Coaches and the Board of School Directors. Rebekah was recognized for having a deep understanding of the importance of goal setting and has developed a clear goal

within her passion of ballet as well as achieving academic excellence. John was recognized for the daily gratitude that he displays, for never giving up during a workout, and for always encouraging his peers in and out of class.

The following students were also recognized but were unable to attend the meeting: Quentyn Blair, Rene Morales, Sidnasia Shelton, Christopher Smiley, and Ryan Snow. They were recognized for the grit they have displayed within the Youth

Mentor Partnership Coaches and establishing clear goals to pursue for this school year.

Youth Mentoring Partnerships CEO Mark Mintzer presented to the Board about the tremendous success with the strength training classes and ninth-grade goal setting. Coatesville has truly become the gold standard for YMP collaboration because of the administration and teacher ownership to the program.

Girl Scouts Team Up for Birthday Giving Project

Girl Scouts from the Greater Coatesville Service Unit came together last week with items they collected to make Birthday Bags for the Chester County Food Bank.

Their goal, as a service unit, was to collect enough items for 108 bags. However, they had enough items to make 142 bags.



March Madness at Rainbow

Rainbow Elementary School’s annual March Madness Foul Shooting contest brought out a large and enthusiastic crowd. Parents and students had a great family night. It’s always awesome to see everyone getting together for a little competition, but it’s really about making memories with family and community members. Winners included the fifth-graders pictured in the photo on left.

Students Surpass Reading Goals

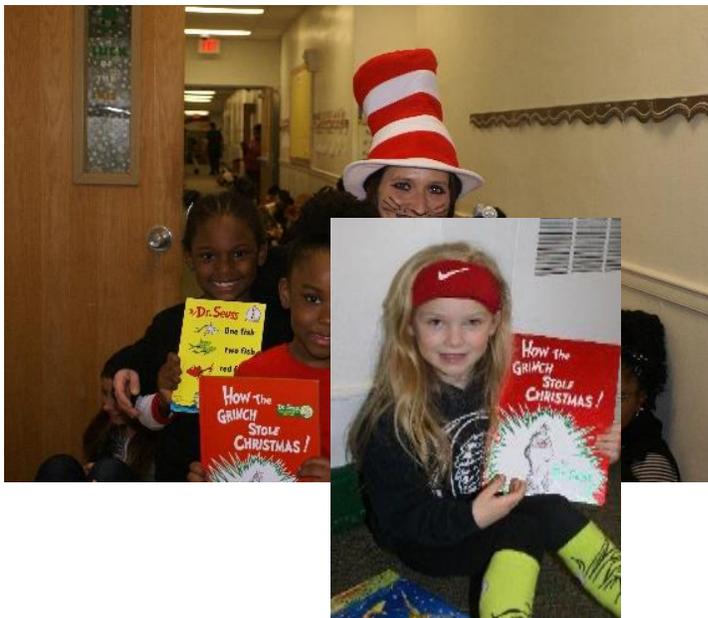
Students throughout the Coatesville Area School District celebrated Read Across America Week from March 2-6 in many ways.

For example, at Caln Elementary School, Assistant Principal Kathryn Lamothe challenged students to read more than a combined total of 31,000 minutes by the end of the school day on Thursday. The classroom that read the most total minutes would get to decide what silly thing Ms. Lamothe would do. Choices included dyeing her hair, wearing mismatched clothes for the day, getting a pie in her face, getting duct-taped to the gym wall, or eating chocolate-covered bugs.

In just four days, students read a total of 31,543 minutes. Jonathan Maxwell's class was the top classroom with 5,058 minutes read. Students chose to throw pies. An assembly was held at the end of the day on Friday where all of Mr. Maxwell's class and the top readers from all the other classrooms got to throw pies.



East Fallowfield Elementary School students celebrated Read Across America Week a bit differently than it has in the past. As a school community, they decided to celebrate the life of their beloved librarian, Barb Everhart, during a week she loved so much. They celebrated with different literacy-based activities each day.



- Monday – Students made bookmarks.
- Tuesday – Students buddy-read with students from another class.
- Wednesday – Staff members took turns being the Mystery Reader in another classroom.
- Thursday – Students read favorite Dr. Seuss books.
- Friday – “Read for ‘Ever’ with ‘Hart’”, a visit from The Cat in the Hat, and students dressed in their Dr. Seuss-inspired attire.

Big East Boutique Opens at East Fallowfield

The Big East Boutique at East Fallowfield Elementary School is up and running. Students who received Big East Bucks for meeting the school's "Big East Expectations" had the opportunity to shop at the boutique recently.

Prizes were on display by the Main Office. Some students were interested in the smaller-

ticket items like bendy pencils and erasers, while other students were saving up for big-ticket items like doing the morning announcements or having lunch with the principal.

The school is proud of its students for meeting the expectations of being respectful, responsible, and safe, and being the best they can be.



King's Highway Second-Graders Explore the Changing Earth

The earth is constantly changing due to various events, including earthquakes, volcanoes, and landslides. Second-graders at King's Highway Elementary School are learning how these powerful forces shape the world around us in "The Changing Earth."

To start, students practiced using map skills and located the continents and oceans. They also navigated Google Earth to locate rivers and lakes. Students investigated how earth events change the shape of the land quickly, such as with earthquakes and volcanoes, and slowly over time, as with ice, wind, and water.

Finally, they learned how engineers prevent or reduce the impact of erosion by building walls, planting vegetation, and using pins, tarps, and mesh.



In the final design challenge, students had to apply their knowledge of these methods to prevent erosion and landslides to houses at the bottom of a hill.

Reeceville Celebrates Tell a Fairy Tale Day

Students at Reeceville Elementary School recently celebrated National Tell a Fairytale Day. The informal observance provided an opportunity to enjoy their favorite fairy tales. Some students marked the occasion by dressing as their favorite characters. Students also wrote their favorite character into a new story using a Book Creator.



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