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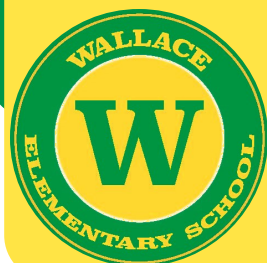
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A Message from Principal Shannon

Greetings and salutations Wallace School Family. I trust this latest edition of our weekly newsletter finds you well.

Halloween is always a special day at an elementary school. This year at Wallace was special, indeed. Our staff and students got into the festivities with so many wonderful costumes. Our annual parade was spectacular once again. A huge thank you to Mr. Stasiak and the Hoboken High School Band for leading our parade. A thank you is also in order to our intrepid Phys Ed Staff for assisting in lining the children up for an orderly procession. One more thanks to our Mile Square friends for teaming up to include all the students on our campus in one of the most exciting days of the year. Job well done by all!

Inside this issue, you can catch up with the music department, thanks to an update from instrumental music instructor Ms. Safko and gen-



eral music instructor Ms. Dziuba. Many exciting performances are just around the corner. Be sure to take note of the dates inside.

Also inside, read about our new buddy bench. This endeavor is courtesy of the talents and time of several people throughout the district.. Check out Ms. Lemberg's Counselor's Corner on page 3.

Our October Students of the Month are also featured on page 3. Congrats to all of these young scholars, as

they are a shining example of what is possible when you put your mind to it.

Just a reminder, next week is a two day week, with school only on Monday, November 7 and Wednesday, November 9. See the reminder box below for more details.

Please make sure to enjoy time with family and friends during this well-deserved weekend.

Until next week...

Reminder—

- No school for students Tuesday, Nov. 8th, as it is a professional day for staff only.
- The district is closed Thursday, Nov. 10th and Friday, Nov. 11th for the annual New Jersey Education Association Convention.

Scenes From a Wallace Halloween



Check out some scenes from Halloween around Wallace School. From teachers getting into the spirit to the traditional rooftop photo of our parade, it's easy to see our school family had a great day on October 31st!



October Students of the Month

Congratulations to our Students of the Month, pictured at right, from left to right—

Stephen Kakouris (Pre-K), Tyler Smith (K), Leah Schure (1), Mackean Rizvi (2), Alexander Lopez (3), Genevieve Fink (4), Sammy Garcia (5), Saranya Ganesan (6).

A second congrats to Genevieve Fink, the overall Wallace Student of the Month. Genevieve will be honored at the next regular meeting of the HBOE, Tuesday, Nov. 15th.



Wallace Music Dept. Update



It's a busy time of the year for our music students! We have many upcoming performances. Please note the following performance dates.

Wednesday November 23rd-Hispanic Heritage Assembly- 6th grade band students and vocal students from Ms. Dziuba's music class (during school)

Thursday Dec. 15th 7PM- Winter Concert HJSHS Auditorium- Band, Chorus, and Strings

Friday Dec. 16th- Holiday School Assembly HJSHS (during school) Band, Chorus, and Strings

Tuesday Dec. 20th- PTO Holiday Music Show Wallace (during school) General music classes, band, and chorus

The band and chorus students are looking forward to playing at our concerts. General music students are excited about learning keyboard in class sessions. We received 25 mini keyboards this month for group classes. As always, please contact Ms. Safko to sign a student up for band or chorus. Also, we are looking for parent volunteers for our shows. Please email Ms. Safko for details! Thank you!

Students in general music are busy learning and preparing music for the myriad upcoming school assemblies and concerts. Students are singing songs apropos of the season and learning songs that go hand-in-hand with the various cultural celebrations of our wonderfully diverse learning community. Kindergarten through second grade are becoming wizards at identifying and naming notes on the staff, while third through fifth grade are mastering Kodaly's solfege hand symbols.

The Counselor's Corner



The new Wallace Buddy Bench courtesy of our friends at Hoboken High School.

We are excited to announce Wallace School now has a buddy bench for our playground! Students participated in a special unveiling ceremony on Friday, November 4th to learn about the buddy bench and how to use it. A special thank you to the following parties that were integral in getting students this special gift:

The Wallace PTO
Ms. Ising, HHS teacher

Gabby Rios, HHS student
Giuliana Hawk, HHS Student
Mario Callichio, HHS custodian
Bobby Frasca, HHS custodian

The buddy bench is a great way for Wallace to continue spreading the message of friendship, inclusion, and kindness! I encourage you to talk about the bench and its rules with your child. Check out the Official Buddy Bench website (www.buddybench.org) for the history of this concept, as well as more information.