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Friends, the Week of October 24th is a very important one as we begin our Red Ribbon Week. This is a week dedicated to keeping our minds and bodies healthy. There will be a plethora of events going on in our school like students pledging to eat and live healthy lives on Monday, and wearing their craziest socks on Tuesday, and my favorite: bring your favorite stuffed animal to school on Friday. We ask that you encourage a healthy and active lifestyle at home as well. Like my friend, Grace Scribner, a 1st Grader who always wears her helmet when she scoots to school. Her mom and I will be co-authoring a piece on helmet safety soon. Also, we are all very excited for the upcoming Halloween Parade. I am happy to share that we will again be joined by Hoboken High School's Marching Band. The parade will begin promptly at 9 am and we will make two loops around the block for all to see our over 600 students in their awesome outfits. We will

be sending more detailed information as the day draws closer. I want to share that the entire Brandt instructional team will be dressed up as well. It is a very exciting day for the entire school community and we hope that you are able to come out and enjoy it with us.

Upcoming Events

10/20: HOPES Annual Fundraiser

10/21: K and 1st grade Bailando con Brandt 9am

10/26: K and 1st Parent Teacher Conferences
1:45-3:00pm, 5:00-6:30pm

10/31: Halloween Parade 9am

Week of Nov 20th: Preschool Parent Teacher Conferences



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Parent Information

Tools of the Mind Workshop: 10/25

9-11am at Demarest

Led by Master Teachers

Evening Session 10/25

5:30-7pm at Rue School

Led by Lisa Montoya

Fall Fun in Room 105



"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

-Maya Angelou

Apples are not just for eating! Mrs. Moloughney's Pre K 3 class has been busying exploring the insides of apples during Science Eyes. We discussed what our apples smelled like, sounded like, felt like, and looked like. Students took turns sharing a magnifying glass, discussing their observations with their peers, and recording our discoveries on paper! We plan on continuing our experiments with apples and creating some delicious looking apple art in the near future!



Nurses Corner

Some tips from the nurses to keep Halloween costumes safe and creative:

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

For more safety tips, visit www.safekids.org.



Brandt Treasure Boxes



Thank you to the Brandt Parent Consortium for reaching out to all our Brandt parents to donate treasure boxes for our Brandt Believes system. The treasure boxes will be used as part of our Brandt Buddy system. Friends at Brandt that are following our Brandt Believes rules receive a Brandt buck, at the end of the week Brandt Buddies are chosen and special Brandt prizes are picked from our treasure boxes. A special thank you to our Brandt Parent Consortium President Linda Kwok.

Pledge for Peace!

This past we asked everyone to wear purple as a pledge for peace, in honor of violence prevention.



Brandt Drivers

- * At Brandt we will establish a common vision and language in a community of schools.
- * At Brandt we will refine progressive early literacy practices through rigorous and developmentally appropriate lessons anchored in powerful coaching.
- * At Brandt we will develop resilience in the youngest learners through the use of positive praise and social interactions between students and teachers.

Brandt Family News!



Frank Gigante, father to one of our first grade students, Tania Gigante, recently received an award for his anti-bullying documentary, *Breaking The Silence*. This past month Frank Gigante received an Italian American Man of the year award from the City of Union City for his contribution to youth and promoting anti-bullying.

We congratulate Mr. Gigante!

The Brandt School Mascot election is still underway and runs until November 7th. We will tally and tabulate the data. The results will be announced on November 14th! The candidates are:



Bears



Bees

Bulldogs



Beavers

Badgers



Meet our Teachers...

Name: Mrs. Romy Marchesani

School : Brandt room 311

Alma Mater: B.S in early childhood education from Towson University and a master's in learning disabilities/LDTC certificate from Montclair State University

Favorite book: *The Giving Tree*

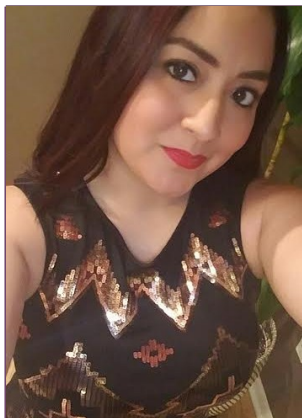
Favorite color: aqua

Favorite season: Summer

Favorite Sports Team: Philadelphia Phillies

Favorite Animal: Dog

When I am not teaching, I love to spend time with my daughter Lucia (7) and my son Enzo (4). I love to go to the beach in LBI with my husband and children in the summer. I have



Name: Yesenia Andriuoli

School & Room #: Brandt 108

Alma Mater: New Jersey City University

Instructional Specialty: This is my 3rd year with HOPES. I teach Pre-K 3 and absolutely love it. Teaching has been my passion since the age of 7. I'm glad I found such a great atmosphere to work at.

Favorite Book: *The Giving Tree*, by Shel Silverstein

Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Season: Summer

Name: Ms. Lynne DePasquale

School & Room #: Brandt Room 113

Alma Mater: New Jersey City State College (now NJCU) with a BA in psychology and certifications in elementary (K-8) and early childhood (P-3) education.

Favorite Book: *The Book Thief*

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Season: Summer

Favorite Sports Team: NY Yankees

Favorite Animal: Dogs and Cats

When I am not working, I enjoy shopping and being with friends and family. This is my 25th year of teaching. Although I have taught everything from Pre K to Grade 8, my passion lies in early childhood. I am looking forward to a great year!

