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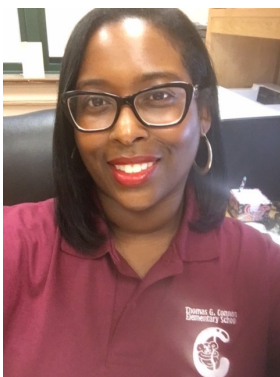
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A Message from Dr. Pollins



Parent-teacher conferences are an opportunity to establish strong, clear communication between parents and teachers. If you have not already done so, please reach out to your child's teacher and schedule a time to meet on October 26th for a Parent/Teacher Conference. In order to gain information about your child's behavior and progress, you might prepare some questions that directly address your area of concern. Here are some possible examples:

1. Does my child arrive to class with his/her completed homework and materials ready to start work?
2. Is my child able to work through a difficult question or task?
3. Is my child able to participate as part of a group?
4. Given a leadership role, does my child accept the added responsibility?
5. Is my child able to think through problems?
6. Having resolved a conflict, can my child reflect on what he/she might do differently next time?
7. Is my child able to express his/her opinion in class?

Reminder: Weather permitting, on Monday, October 31, 2016, students in grades K-6 will participate in the annual Connors Elementary School Halloween Parade at 1:00 p.m. Students will be allowed to wear their costumes to school that day. Please be advised that face masks and toy weapons are not permitted. Toy weapons that may be part of a costume such as guns, swords, etc. must be left at home. It is expected that all costumes are tasteful and appropriate for a school activity.

Upcoming Events

October 26, 2016—Early Dismissal for students due to Parent/Teacher Conferences. Letters were sent home to schedule a conference. Please contact your student's teacher if you did not receive the letter.

October 28, 2016—School Pride & Spirit Day—Pajama Day!!!!

October 31, 2016—Connors Halloween Parade at 1:00pm

Social Media Connection

Stay up to date with district and school news by following us on social media:



District News: @HobokenSchools
School News: @ConnorsSchool



Like "T.G. Connors Elementary" for news and announcements from our school!

Red Ribbon Week

October 24th through 28th

Red Ribbon Week is next week! This week is to promote being drug free. With 1 out of 2 children in New Jersey between the ages of 10 and 12 being approached to try alcohol and/or drugs, the time to act is now! Here at Connors, we have a week of special activities for the students planned by Nurse Hoffman. Every student who participates in the day's event will be awarded a special RED CONNORS CASH ticket. On Friday, we will hold a special Red Ribbon Week drawing and selected students will earn a special prize!

Monday, October 24th: "Put a Cap on Drugs"—wear a hat to school



Tuesday, October 25th: "Put a Sock on Drugs"—wear funky or mismatched socks



Wednesday, October 26th: "Be on a Drug Free Team"—wear favorite team shirt



Thursday, October 27th: "Wear Red Day"—wear a red shirt

Friday, October 28th: "School Pride & Spirit Day"—wear your pajamas

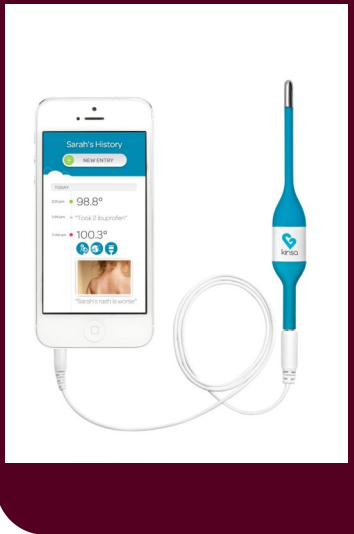
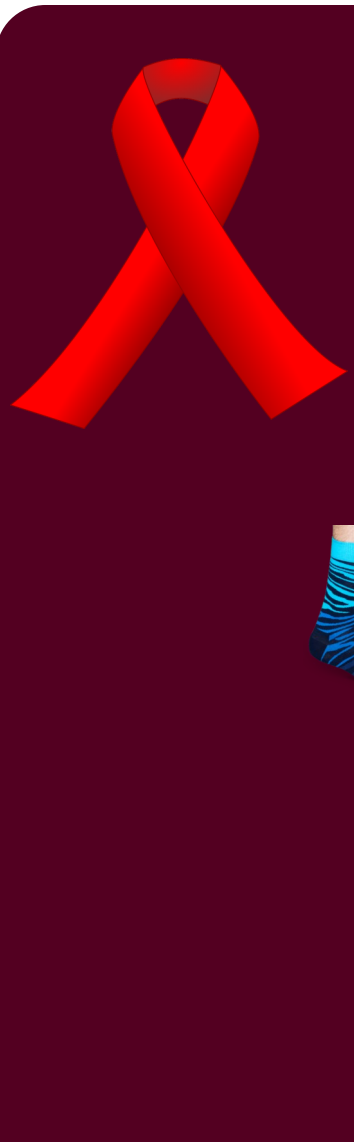


Nurse's Corner with Nurse Hoffman, RN

Just a reminder from the Nurse...

Connors School has the privilege of being 1 of only 500 schools that have been chosen to participate in a program called FLUency. This program entitles you to a FREE smart thermometer. What this does is track fevers and symptoms amongst our school population. It helps Connors School and you in monitoring how many students are sick in our school and what is going around. It is all done anonymously unless you set it otherwise. I will be sending home a pamphlet describing how to receive your free thermometer to participate in this. Please ask your child for it. I encourage everyone to take advantage of this special program. I will be in the lobby during Parent/Teacher conferences on Oct. 26, 2016 if anyone has any questions or you can call me at 201-356-3758.

Next week is Red Ribbon Week. It is a week to promote being drug-free. Connors will be having different activities all week. Please ask your child to see the flyer that was sent home with them for details.



Connors PTO Corner

BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION:

Our submission deadline for Box Tops collected from 3/2/15 - 11/1/16 is fast approaching! **The PTO will be collecting Box Tops from all classrooms on Tuesday, October 25th to begin the tabulating and batching process for submission to Box Tops 4 Education.** Please keep clipping those Box Tops and sending them in!!

PTO EMAIL LIST:

Email us at ConnorsPTO@gmail.com to join PTO Email List. Get connected and stay updated on all of our Connors PTO activities!

UPCOMING DATES:

Connors Fall Festival - Saturday, November 5th from 12:00pm-2:00pm in the School Parking Lot/Yard. More Details to come!

Chipotle Sales Day Fundraiser - Monday, November 7th from 12:00pm-8:00pm. We will be sending out special flyers for this event. Share the flyers with your friends, family and neighbors! Present the flyers at checkout (physical flyer, image on your phone, or just mention the fundraiser to the cashier) on November 7th anytime between 12:00pm-8:00pm and 50% of the proceeds from sales associated with the flyers will be donated back to our PTO!

November PTO Meeting - Tuesday, November 15th at 5:00pm in the Educational Media Center

Connors Project Lead the Way!

Thomas G. Connors PLTW 6TH grade classes have been learning about applied chemistry. The students were in for a sweet treat as they explored the roles of chemists and chemical engineers by making ice cream. The students worked in teams to mix ingredients as a chemist would for food corporations. Next, the groups prepared cooling chambers with gallon size freezer bags, ice, and salt. The students explored how the salt lowers the freezing point inside the bag and helps speed up the freezing of the ingredients. Each group had to use different methods of mixing the product. Some used an up and down shaking motion, rocking back and forth, flipping up and down, and kneading the ingredient bag over the ice. The students enjoyed comparing the differences in their final products to other groups in the room. What they enjoyed even more was how sweet their applied chemistry project tasted.

