

HOBOKEN HIGH SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

OCT. 24 -
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2016

INSIDE



*Montclair
University
Bound!*

*Kitten
"Kare"*

*Excellence
on Display*

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

This week was phenomenal as we hosted our annual College Fair for our junior and senior students. Over 50 colleges attended and students were able to visit with the various schools and universities to hear about the different offerings. During our PGP period, freshman and sophomore students were able to also visit the fair and many took advantage of that opportunity.

On Wednesday evening Hoboken High School hosted our first Showcase of Excellence. This event allowed prospective families as well as the community to visit our school. Our faculty, staff and student body were here sharing classroom curriculum, athletics, drama, media, culinary and many more of our exciting clubs and activities that we offer.

This was an extremely powerful event, and people were impressed with our school. A great big

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Noteworthy Events

Nov. 4

**Montclair
Theater Day**

Nov. 5

SAT

**Administration
Sierra Club Hike
Dumont Theater
Club Competition**

Nov. 9

**PTO Meeting
@ 6pm**

A HISTORIC TRIP



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REDWING ATHLETICS

We are excited to share with the Redwing community our athletic website -- www.hobokenredwings.org. On it, you will find schedules, directions, rosters, pictures and other great information regarding your favorite Redwing sports. You can get alerts to schedule changes and score updates! On the website, there is a link to our Facebook page and remember to follow us on Twitter @hobokenredwings.

Additionally, there is a new app for this website for your mobile device -- just type in "VNN" to Google Play or the Appstore and download it for FREE. You will have everything you need regarding the Redwings at the touch of your fingers!!!

Football, with a 4-3 record, has a senior night this Friday, October 28th at 7pm vs Weequahic. The Rockin Redwings and senior cheerleaders will also be honored at this game.

Boys and girls soccer will begin the state playoffs next week. Boys soccer is at Secaucus in Round 1 action on Monday, October 31st, while our girls host New Providence on Tuesday, November 1st.

Girls volleyball concluded its season with its Senior Day Ceremony with a well-played game vs METS. As they did all season, our girls fought until the very end and were extremely competitive. Way to go Seniors -- thanks for your hard work and leadership!!!

Signups for WINTER SPORTS coming up -- all student-athletes need a completed physical and must meet eligibility standards. Please visit our website for more info.



HISTORY IN PHILLY

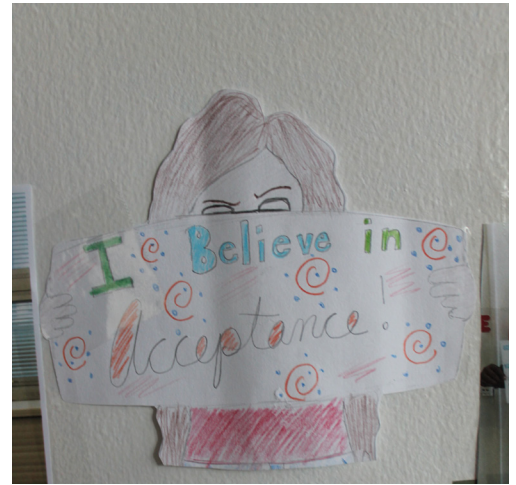
On Thursday, October 20th, 2016, tenth & eleventh grade students from Hoboken High School visited Philadelphia, PA. The students were part of Mr. Taraszkievicz' AP US History I & II classes. Admission to the National Constitution Center was sponsored by Sunoco through the Center's Young Citizens Scholarship Program. The trip is a cornerstone for class discussion throughout the year, as the students will be challenged to connect various themes in history such as politics, economics, geography, national identity, and American culture. By experiencing the National Constitution Center's interactive exhibits, students are able to gain a better understanding of the role the Constitution plays in the lives of Americans.

Students were also able to take part in a special exhibit which focused on the "Powers of the President." This exhibit will fuel discussions throughout the year, as the courses will cover checks and balances, and seek to address many misconceptions Americans can often hold regarding what the President can and cannot do. Finally, the trip concluded with a stop at the US Mint where students witnessed the power of a modern factory in the production of US coin currency. This will serve as a starting point for discussions on the principles of trade in the American economy.



Ms. Chakov's sophomore and senior classes have been working on a theme project for the year based on **Eric LeGrand's *Believe*** and Hoboken High School's motto, "Believe, Achieve, Grow." Ms. Chakov's classes were so inspired by LeGrand's story that they thought about all the principles that they believe in as well. Next, the students created posters detailing what they believe in most. Some students believe they can make a difference, become a doctor, a writer, a fashion designer, or simply just believe in themselves. The students printed photos of themselves holding their banners, and Ms. Chakov displayed the photos in her classroom in the form of a "B" for believe. This project was an excellent idea, as it is imperative to set goals in life. Next to come is an "Achieve" display and a "Growth" wall!

Written by students Amanda Andujar and Gianna Guerrero.



RED RIBBON CELEBRATION

Did you know that in 1988, the National Family Partnership sponsored the first National Red Ribbon Celebration? Today, the Red Ribbon serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate our youth and encourage them to participate in drug prevention activities to help

ensure a healthy, and drug free life style! Since then, the Red Ribbon campaign has reached countless children and families. Schools across the country have joined together to deliver this message of hope to millions of people each year.

In honor of Red Ribbon Week,

Hoboken High School students participated in many fun-filled activities while learning the history of this national celebration. Students began the week pledging to "Live a Healthy Life Style". Students also learned the facts about tobacco, and the dangers of underage drinking.





OPEN HOUSE: SHOWCASE OF EXCELLENCE



Hoboken High's open house was a spectacular display of the myriad of academic, art, technology, and extracurricular programs that our amazing school has to offer. Staff, with the help of student volunteers, showcased courses and clubs, answered inquiries, and even entertained our many visitors with videos and live performances.

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OPEN HOUSE: SHOWCASE OF EXCELLENCE



MONTCLAIR STATE University

On Monday, a group of twenty 11th and 12th grade students visited Montclair State University. The group participated in a tour conducted by an MSU student, who shared her own journey to finding the school and her love of the University. Hoboken High School students learned a lot about not only the MSU campus environment, but about college life in general. Many attendees plan on applying, both this year and next.



KITTENS, KITTENS, EVERYWHERE!



months. Ms. Drumgoole explained that she and others in the T-N-R community trap cats with humane traps, get them spayed or neutered and return them to their original location if they are not friendly. Friendly cats and kittens are fostered and adopted into loving homes. Ms. Drumgoole demonstrated the trap and let the children pet two kittens she recently rescued. The children plan to educate others in their school about the need to care for feral cats in a humane way.



Kittens, Kittens everywhere! Wallace School's Pay It Forward Club members learned on Monday about how community groups help to care for and limit populations of neighborhood (feral) cats. Mrs. McGreivey and Ms. Drumgoole of HHS were guest speakers for this group, part of the Passport to Learning program. Ms. Drumgoole has been rescuing cats for twelve years and Mrs. McGreivey has been fostering rescued kittens for three years.

Students learned that one female cat and her unspayed kittens, on average, will result in 52 kittens over 16



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THE COOL, CASUAL COUNSELOR'S CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of Oct 31st:

11/2/2016	12:00	St. Joseph's University @ HHS
11/2/2016	3:30	Rutgers University Pre Medical Honors Program
11/3/2016	12:00	University of Massachusetts- Lowell @ HHS
11/5/2016	8:00	SAT & Subject Test Administra- tion* HHS Testing Center

Principal's Update

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thank you to our staff and our student body for making this such a positive community event.

I have shared with you the Personal Growth Period (PGP) in previous newsletters, but I want to re-emphasize the importance of this time in the schedule. During periods 5 & 6 students have the opportunity to meet with teachers in all disciplines, as well as participate in various scheduled activities. Please encourage your child to take advantage of this time built into the schedule. Students who have been using this time wisely have seen such a positive reflection in their grades. If you want more information about PGP, please contact your child's guidance counselor or Mrs. Gullo to gain a better understanding of this part of our school program.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



SUCCESS

Freshman:

Victoria Padron

Sophomore:

Angelene Veloce (Over-
all Senior High School
Student of the Month)

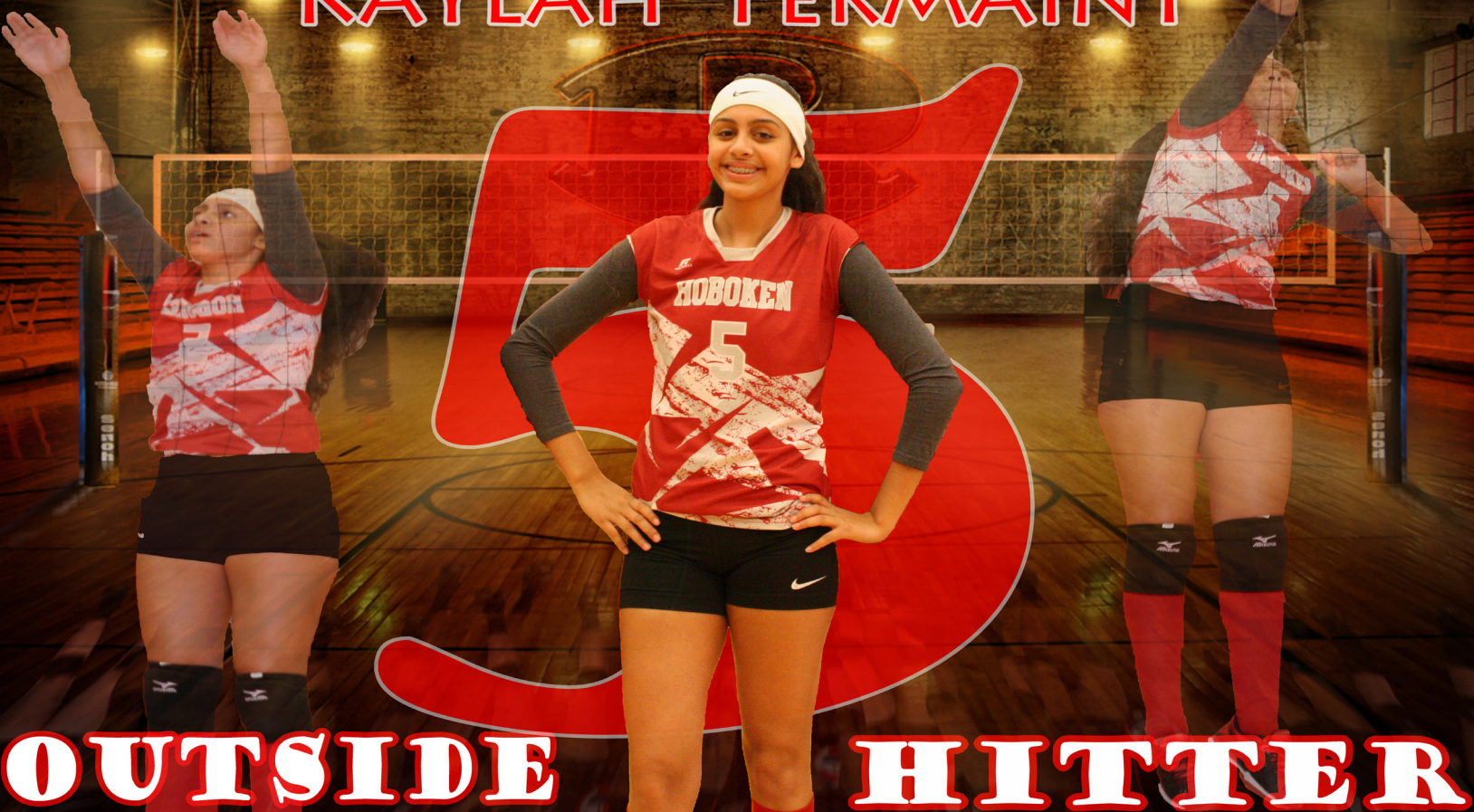
Junior: Kevin Winston

Senior: Mariah Torres



The Hispanic Culture Club and the World Languages Department would just like to thank Chef Nelson and her talented students for their awesome Hispanic Heritage luncheon this past Friday. The food and the atmosphere were amazing.

KAYLAH FERMAINT



These posters were created for Ms. Alberto's volleyball players by Evance Desriviere, Jr., a student in Ms. Malenda's Advanced Journalism and Graphics class, using Adobe Photoshop.





Hoboken High School

Classrooms Without Walls

London and Paris 2017

Delicious Chocolate Lollipops for sale ~ \$1

**Smile Emoji
or
Smiling Pumpkin**



\$1 each



**Order for any occasion, birth-
day parties, play dates, friends!**

**Our contact information is below
Mrs. Cruz and Mrs. DeLaRosa ☐HHS
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Hoboken High School

Classrooms Without Walls

Travel to London and Paris

April 2017

WHO'S IN?!

Enroll online: Tour Website:
www.eftours.com/1813441JU

Enroll by phone: 800 - 665 - 5364

Tour Number:
1813441JU

Enrollment Deadline:
October 31st 2017





Hoboken High School

Classrooms Without Walls

**London and Paris 2017
Empanada Fundraiser (frozen)**



Please join our fundraising efforts as we prepare for yet another exciting trip to Europe next year. We are a dedicated group of parents, teachers, and students with one mission, to allow everyone interested the opportunity of a lifetime.

You may choose from delicious

**Turkey-Beef-Chicken-Cheese-
Guava and Cheese**

Each dozen - \$20 (cash or check accepted)

Our contact information is below

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**TRICK OR TREAT,
WANT TO DO SOMETHING NEAT?
THEN YOU SHOULD SEND A FRIEND
SOMETHING SWEET TO EAT!**



The Senior class is selling
Halloween Boograms
during PGP periods 5/6.
For \$1.00
you can send a friend or teacher
a treat bag full of candy on Halloween!!



Class of 2017 News and Events

Senior Ring Ceremony

Seniors (who purchased rings) and their parents are invited to attend the Senior Ring Ceremony next Wednesday 11/2 from 6-7:30pm at HHS.

Food and refreshments will be served.



Halloween Guidelines

Students wishing to participate will be allowed to wear costumes to school. Hoboken High School has set forth guidelines for Halloween. If a student does come to school dressed inappropriately, they will be asked to either remove or cover what is inappropriate. If a school remedy is not possible, a parent will be asked to pick up his/her child. **Exception: bringing a replica or fake weapon will result in suspension and/or expulsion from school.** We hope the students enjoy the day, but it is still an instructional day and academics will not be compromised by those who desire to celebrate the day inappropriately.

*For safety reasons, masks or makeup should not cover the student's face in a manner that makes the student unrecognizable.

*No hard plastic toy or replica guns/ weapons (swords, play knives, etc.) are allowed.

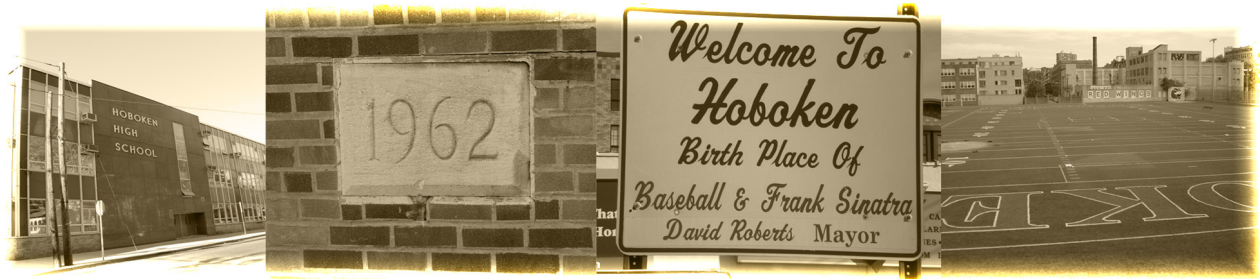
*Costumes that are overly graphic, promote violence or otherwise might logically be assumed to be offensive to others are not acceptable.

*Costumes that are sexually suggestive and would otherwise violate the school's dress code are not appropriate.

*Costumes should not include items with sound effects, lights or other components, which would disrupt the classroom learning environment.

***Due to recent concerns surrounding potential threats and inappropriate events nationwide, clown costumes will not be permitted at HHS.**

*Regarding costumes that may not be clearly addressed by these guidelines, students should be instructed to have the costume pre-approved by an administrator prior to wearing to school.



OUR SCHOOL TEAM

Principal: Robin Piccapietra, Vice Principal: Anna Gullo

Dean of Students: Derek Piccini & Stephen Dickerson

Supervisor of Student Services: Michael Saulnier

School Counselors: Stacie Gleason, Susan Wiener, & Damien Arnone

SBYSP: Cecilia D'Elia, Chanta Blue, Stephanie Guiler

CST: Patricia Drumgoole, Lisa Allgaier, David Antunes

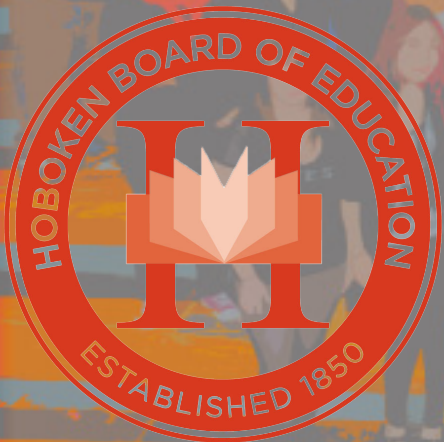
SAC: Gina Mattera, School Nurse: Renee Turonis

WHERE STUDENTS COME FIRST

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