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# Joseph F. Brandt Weekly

## A Message from the Principal

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You can make a difference!!! The time is now to exercise your citizenship by way of voting!!! Many of you are already aware of the huge initiative that will be underway shortly in which our entire school community will select a school mascot. Inside this newsletter you will see the choices and on October 4th all students will take home ballots. There will be ballots available in the Main Office, in the HOPES office, and in the MSEL office so that all can have the opportunity to share their selection for mascot. The ballot boxes will also be easily found throughout our school for you to place the slips in. We will collect these all and on November 8th begin to tally these up and unveil to the Brandt School community the mascot that you have chosen to represent you!! Now that is an exciting election!! So friends do take your time and vote with your hearts and with your minds because we will always be associated with this choice. Make the best choice that you can!! Thank you so much for engaging with us in this most exciting process.

## Upcoming Events

Week of Oct 3rd: The Week of Respect Events

10/7: Brandt Parent Consortium Meeting 9am

10/20: HOPES Annual Fundraiser

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

10/26: K and 1st Parent Teacher Conferences 5-8pm, 1 pm dismissal for students

10/31: Halloween Parade 9am

Week of Nov 20th: Preschool Parent Teacher



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## Parent Information



Tools of the Mind Workshop: 10/25  
9-11am at Brandt School  
led by Master Teachers

Show Me What To Do: Teaching Preschoolers how to Follow Rules Workshop  
12/20 9-11am  
led by PIRT



## Brandt School Drivers

“Our greatest natural resource is in the minds of our young children.”

-Walt Disney

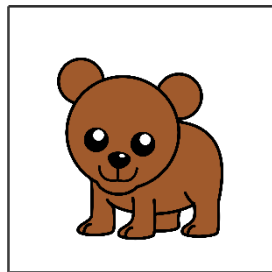
- \* At Brandt we will establish a common vision and language in a community of schools.
- \* At Brandt we will refine progressive early literacy practices through rigorous and developmentally appropriate lessons anchored in powerful coaching.
- \* At Brandt we will develop resilience in the youngest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

## Brandt needs a Mascot!!!

The Brandt School election season starts Oct 4th and runs until November 7th. We will tally and tabulate the data. The results will be announced on November 9th!

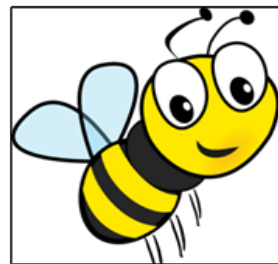
Please take this opportunity to talk to your children about their civic duty.

The candidates are:



**Bears**

**Badgers**



**Bees**



**Bulldogs**



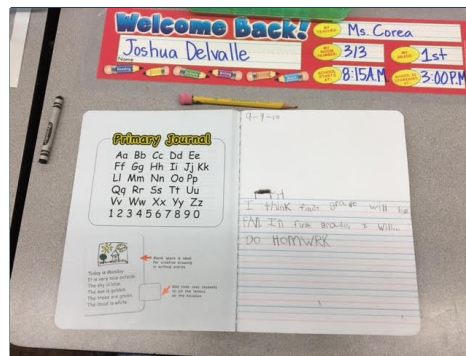
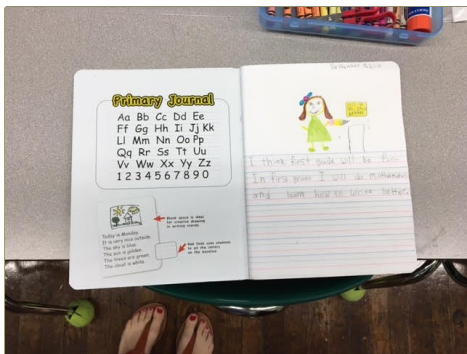
**Beavers**

# School Safety

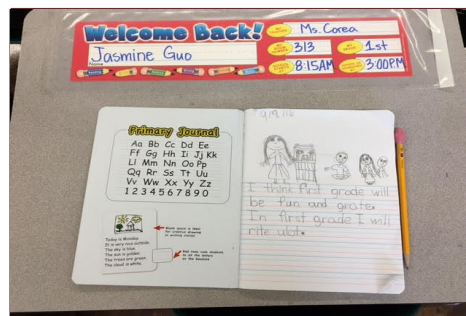
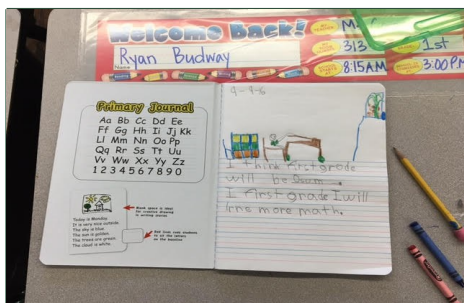
Each month the children at Brandt engage in two safety drills. As September comes to a close, we would like to announce what a phenomenal job all of our students did in completing our first drills. Our kindergarten and first grade students were excellent role models and our preschool students were well prepared and brave. As always, we would like to thank the Hoboken Police and Fire Departments for their partnership in keeping the safety of our students their top priority!



## Our First Grade Classes are busy with their journals!



Thank you room 313, Ms Coreia's class, for showing us all your hard work!



## Theater Arts

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month our kindergarten and first grade students will be presenting Bailando Con Brandt, a culmination of Spanish, music, art, and theatre classes. This event will demonstrate where we are in the start of our process in our Specials Classes. It is key to identify to children how the skills they are learning in all their classes can be intertwined and are applicable in all areas of their lives. Bailando Con Brandt uses language, music, art, storytelling, and dance to reenact a Panama folktale. The event will celebrate Hispanic culture within our school community as well as demonstrate the cross curricular work that we are doing in our Brandt classes.

We look forward to seeing you!

### AN ARTISTIC CULIMINATION FOR



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2016**

*PERFORMANCE BY:*

**ALL KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE STUDENTS**

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**AT 9 AM**

## Meet our Nurses...

**Name:** Mrs. Debra Meier, RN

**Schools:** Brandt School and Early Childhood off-site locations at Demarest, Rue and St. Francis

**Alma Mater:** Christ Hospital School of Nursing, St. Peter's University, and University of Massachusetts-Amherst Graduate School of Public Health. I am a licensed registered professional nurse, certified school nurse, and have certification as a teacher of health education and teacher of health occupations.

**Favorite Book:** *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton

**Favorite Color:** Pink

**Favorite Season:** Summer

**Favorite Sports Team:** NJ Devils

**Favorite Animal:** Cats

My favorite thing to do is spend time with my husband and my son. I very much enjoy attending the many activities my son is involved in, cheering him on from the sideline! I love to cook and bake and relax in the park on a warm, sunny day. As a lifelong resident of Hudson County, I find there are so many amazing things to do right here where we live!



**Name:** Mrs. Michele Goodman

**School:** Brandt School Nurse's Office

**Alma Mater:** I received my BSN from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania and my school nurse certification from East Stroudsburg University.

**Favorite book:** Any historical fiction book! I love the author Phillipa Gregory

**Favorite color:** Pink

**Favorite Season:** Summer

**Favorite sports team:** NY Giants and NY Mets

**Favorite animal:** horses

I have been a Hoboken resident for two years now and previously spent 14 years working as a school nurse in Bethlehem, PA. I enjoy skiing, reading and traveling to visit my niece and nephew in Ohio.

