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A Message from the Principal

Dear Calabro Learning Community,

We recently received a new SMART Table that was purchased through Title I funds. It will be located in the Research and Technology Center so all classes will have access to it. On Friday, some staff members received training and will soon have a turnkey session with their colleagues. The SMART Table will be used to support academic achievement.

The upcoming week is the "Week of Respect." Our anti-bullying specialist, Mr. Baker, has organized daily activities for students to enjoy in their classrooms. This is directly connected to our school's motto, posted on the Kindness Referral bulletin board and in all classrooms, "Respect Yourself, Respect Others, Respect Our School." We are greatly looking forward to this fun-filled week!

We hope to see you at our next monthly Morning Meeting followed by our PTO meeting on Friday, October 7^{th} .

Best,

Joseph P. Vespignani, Ed.D.













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Back to School Night Setting The Stage For a New Year

Calabro School had its Back to School Night on Wednesday, Sept 21, 2016. The turnout and parent participation is encouraging. It was so nice to meet with some of our familiar faces as well as welcome new families aboard.

Thank you parents for your commitment, involvement and encouragement to our students this year!

Back To School Night

Topics of Discussion

- Introductions
- Curriculum
- Communications

A view from inside some of our classrooms:

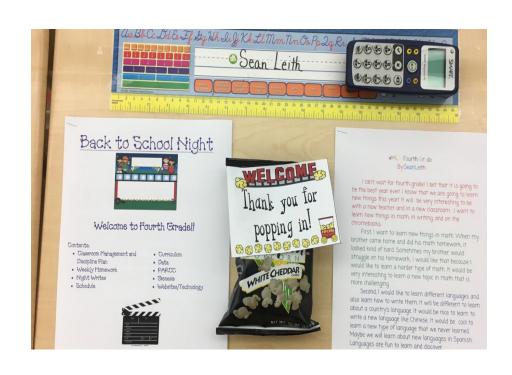












A look into First Grade with Mrs. Yu

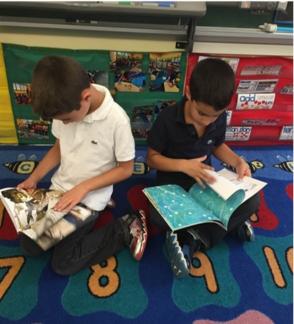
Welcome to the first grade! We are kicking off the fall with read alouds using our SMART docucam. This week we are reviewing our numbers up to 10 and creating our math interactive notebooks with number bonds! In language arts, we are working on our short vowel sounds, reviewing our grammar rules, and reading all about the fantasy and realistic fiction genre. In writing, we are working on our personal narratives and learning all about how to edit our work!

Special thanks to our PTO and class parents for donating a new genre of books.









Spanish Class News.....

Hola! During the months of Sept.-Oct. students will be able to describe why Hispanics celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated in the United States from September 15 - October 15. In addition, they will learn about why it is so important to preserve one's own customs and traditions. As part of this celebration, we discussed the accomplishments of Tito Puente, Dara Torres, Ellen Ochoa and Cesar Chavez.

-Ms. Trinidad



Stevens Ducklings Visit - How Much Weight will Float Your Boat?

We were blessed with the presence of the "Stevens Ducklings" from Stevens Institute of Technology on Friday the 23rd. They volunteered their time to conduct an experiment with the 6th graders by constructing cut foil boats, placing pennies inside the boats and floating the boats in a tub of water to test weight and balance and overall buoyancy. The experiment was exciting as well as educational.









Ms. Forte and 1st Grade

How resourceful are you?

In the art room being resourceful is second nature. Our materials list is endless, and each material can certainly have more than one purpose. This week in 1st grade we used marker caps as stamps to create circles. The caps were reused from the dried markers that we have collected. Anything can be used to make a mark, try something out and see where it takes you.





Weather permitting, on Monday, October 31, 2016, students in grades K-6 will participate in the annual Calabro School Halloween Parade at 2:00 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

- 10/7/16 Morning Meeting 8:20 a.m.
- 10/7/16 PTO Meeting 9:00 a.m.
- 10/26/16 Parent Conferences 5:00 -8:00 p.m.
- 10/31/16 Halloween Parade 2:00 p.m.



Parent Reminders:

- Box Tops will be collected all year long
- Send all your dried out markers to Ms. Forte, Calabro art teacher.

School closings:

October 3, 2016- Rosh Hashanah

October 10, 2016- Columbus Day

October 12, 2016- Yom Kippur

In observance of Our "Week of Respect" at Calabro School we will be collecting the following items to be donated to the Hoboken Homeless Shelter.

Here is the list of items the shelter needs:

<u>Personal Care Items:</u> Razors, socks, deodorant, cups, plates and

plastic utensils.

Kitchen Care Items: Disposable plates, plastic cutlery, hot/cold

cups, napkins, spices (onion powder, garlic

powder, salt, pepper, etc.)

Shelter Care Items: Cleaning products

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS POPPING UP ALL OVER CALABRO CELEBRATING OUR CALABRO FAMILY



Dr. Vespignani- Principal

Ms. Forte- Art teacher

Grace Harrison— Kindergarten

Zac Cohen 1st Grade

Anthony Lopez- 2nd Grade

Halie Benway 5th Grade

Arianna Marin- 5th Grade

Riley Rodriguez- 5th Grade