

MPE Weekly Update

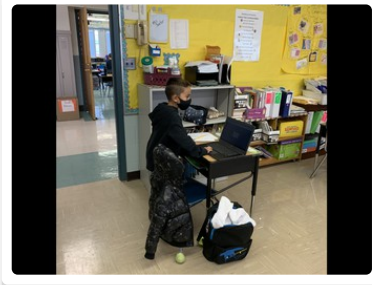
December 11, 2020



Mr. Blau and Mr. Purdue makes physical education so much fun.



We are proud to be MPE Lions!!!



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." — Dr. Seuss

Liberty Science Center Virtual Field Trips!

Last week, MPE students were treated to exciting science programs from the Liberty Science Center. Students in grades Kindergarten, first and second joined the virtual presentation of "What's the Matter" while those in grades 3-5 enjoyed "The Science of Flight."

December Cohort Schedule

Changes were made to the Hybrid Cohort Schedule for the month of December to compensate for some of the A days that were lost due to election day and remote learning days. Please note that Friday, December 18 will be a Cohort A day. Remember - December 23 is an all-remote partial day.

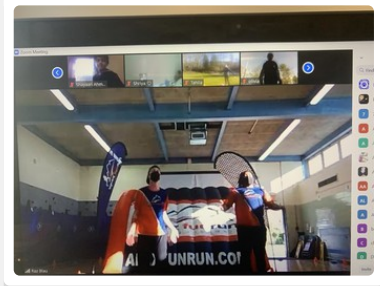
APEX Leadership Program



Mrs. Fiore's class was able to silly string our APEX leaders.



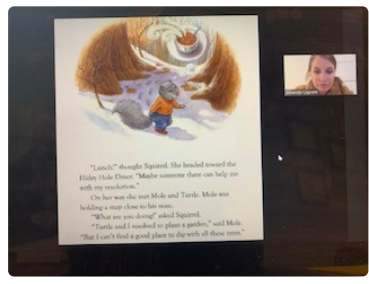
We had a great November and the Fun Run was really special for our students. Thank you to all who donated or helped out in any capacity!



APEX came to us live from the MPE small gym!! Mighty leader training was underway in November.

Community Meeting

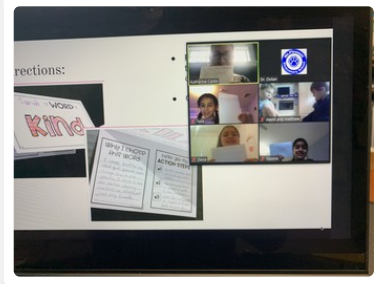
MPE students participated in our first community meeting of the school year on Wednesday, December 9! Wednesday's community meeting focused on goal setting. Students had the opportunity to set a New Year's Resolution concentrating on an area of their lives in which they want to improve or grow. Ask your child about it!



Learning how to set goals during our first community meeting of the year!!



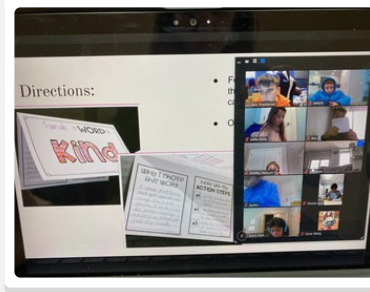
We love reading with our friends during community meetings.



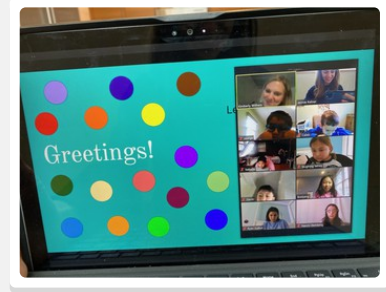
Thank you to everyone who participated in learning about New Year's Resolutions, growth mindsets and goal setting!!



Community Meetings are made up students from various grades.



We stay with our same group for all of our MPE years.



We were so happy to see some old friends who we haven't seen in a long time!

MPE Spirit Day

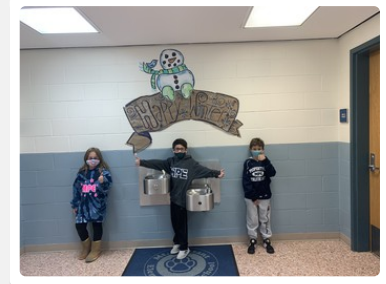
Today was a Spirit Day at MPE. Staff and students were encouraged to wear blue and white or MPE apparel to show their *Lion Pride!*



Thank you MPE PTA for our delicious lunch! We are appreciative of the strong relationship between our school and the PTA.



Our 4th grade teachers are dressed for Spirit Day!



Second graders sporting their MPE gear!

Thank you MPE PTA!

Thank you to our wonderful PTA for providing a holiday lunch to our staff! We are so lucky to have such a generous, caring PTA. Everything was delicious and very appreciated!

MPE Spirit Week

The MPE Student Council is sponsoring **Spirit Week at MPE** next week. See below for the schedule:

Monday, 12/14 - Career Day! Dress up as what you want to be when you grow up!

Tuesday, 12/15 - Talent Day! Show off your hidden talents in a [flipgrid](#) video!

Thursday, 12/17 - Color Day! Wear your grade level color
Kindergarten - Red Grade 1 - Orange Grade 2 - Green Grade 3 - Blue
Grade 4 - Purple Grade 5 - White

Friday, 12/18 - Holiday! - Wear your favorite ugly holiday sweater!

And as an added bonus, the following week, 12/21 - 12/23, will be **Pajama Week!**

GET IN THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT WITH...

SPirit WEEK

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Tuesday, 12/15 **TALENT TUESDAY!** SHOW OFF YOUR HIDDEN TALENTS IN A **FLIPGRID** VIDEO!

Wednesday, 12/16 **WACKY WEDNESDAY!** WACKY EVERYTHING!

Thursday, 12/17 **COLOR DAY!** WEAR YOUR GRADE LEVEL COLOR!
KINDERGARTEN- RED FIRST- ORANGE SECOND- GREEN
THIRD- BLUE FOURTH- PURPLE FIFTH- WHITE

Friday, 12/18 **HOLIDAY!** WEAR YOUR FAVORITE UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER!

AS A BONUS TREAT, IT WILL BE **PAJAMA DAY** ALL NEXT WEEK TOO!
(12/21 - 12/23)

Author's Visit on Wednesday, December 16

Janet Wong's Author's Visit

We love to read at MPE!!! Janet Wong will be hosting a virtual author visit on Dec. 16th. These sessions promise to be highly interactive and parents are welcome to join in. Please use only one device per household so we have enough room for everyone on the Zoom!! For more information on Janet's work please visit her site at <https://www.janetwong.com/>

Kindergarten thru 2nd Grade - 1:30pm

3rd thru 5th Grade - 2:15pm

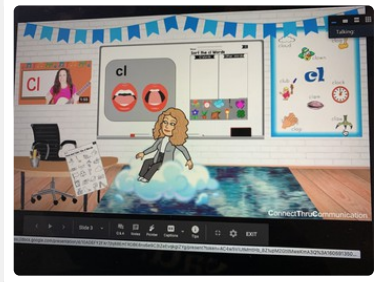
Zoom links will be emailed closer to the event!



Proud to be MPE!!!!



Second graders in Mrs. Cognetti's class are happy to be in school!



Why is Mrs. Perry on a cloud???. Interactive mini-lessons are the way to learn reading strategies and decoding skills.

December Reminders from the Health Office

- Please continue to wear your masks inside and outside.
- Avoid large gatherings and when you are gathering please remain 6 feet apart (please note that the size of both indoor and outdoor gatherings has been drastically reduced)
- Wash your hands for 20 seconds several times throughout the day. ALWAYS wash your hands before you eat, after being outside, after using the bathroom, after blowing your nose.
- It is cold and FLU season, please stay home if you are not feeling well.
- Make sure to wear a warmer coat, hat, and gloves as MPE is continuing to hold snack outside whenever possible.
- Always know if you need anything you can contact me @ 973-535-8000 ext 8142 or mcullen@livingston.org

Library Books for Remote Learners

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For those students who are fully remote, we will have dedicated curbside pick-up times.

Students in grades 2-5 submit book requests to Mrs. Piccoli

Grades K & 1 will get books according to their interest sheets (every other week)

If you do not want books for your child, please email Mrs. Piccoli (see below)

~ The week of December 21

Tuesday & Thursday ~ 9:30 - 11:00 AM

~All weeks:

Wednesdays ~ 3:00 - 4:00 PM (except prior to a holiday)

You may drop books off at the same time you pick up books

We will also keep a book drop bin outside the front door of the school for you to return books at any time.

As with everything new this year, I ask for your patience as this new system is implemented. I will do my best to find “just right” books, check them out, and get them to you in a timely manner. I will also be following the latest protocols as I “quarantine” returned books before they are safe to be checked out again.

If you have specific requests you can email me directly lpiccoli@livingston.org.

Loving Books Always,
Mrs. Lenore Piccoli
Media Specialist

