

High Road School of Fairfield County

Monthly Newsletter



Director's Corner

Happy Fall everyone! This school year has been off to a great start! We have done so many improvements to our building so far with the help of our students. We added a cool workout option to our self-rooms and added positive quotes to our walls and student bathrooms.

We are also having more events after school for our students and their families. We had our annual Back to School Night, which was a big hit with amazing food, fun games, creative crafts and a fun raffle. Our next Family event is our Family Game Night on Wednesday October 23, from 4:30pm-5:30pm. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

Lindsey Russo – Education Director

Social Workers Corner

Currently, Ms. Fitzgerald's classroom is following a curriculum called *Second Step*, where they are working towards mastering basic social skills such as listening, communicating their feelings and identifying the feelings of others.

Mr. Murray's class also follows the *Second Step* curriculum geared towards middle and high school students. They are currently working on being independent thinkers, as well as allies to their peers and developing empathy skills.

Ms. Rodriguez's classroom follows the curriculum called "Techniques for Tough Times." During the month of October, her classroom has been working on the theme of self-discovery by exploring what is in our control, what makes us similar as well as what makes us different.

Announcements!!

Spooky Spirit Week!
October 28th to November 1st

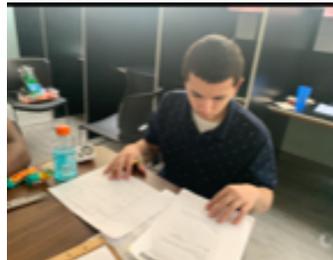
Monday – Pajama Day

Tuesday – Twin Day

Wednesday – 70's 80's and 90's Day

Thursday – **HALLOWEEN!** Wear Orange or Purple

Friday – Color War



Josh, working
very hard on his
Science project!

Teacher Talk

Ms. Fitzgerald's Classroom

Ms. Fitzgerald's students have been enjoying cooking as a group every Monday! So far, the class has made Pumpkin Rice Crispy Treats, Soft Pretzels, English Muffin Pizzas, and Tie Dye Cookies! They have all been so delicious! The students work together as a group to mix the ingredients that make all these delicious treats! As a class, they then talk about which ingredients and where we see them in our home every day! We also all work together to clean up at the end and then enjoy our yummy treats!

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Mr. Murray's Classroom

Mr. Murray's classroom has been learning U.S Geography and history which begins with an investigation into reading maps and how geography has a huge impact on culture and lifestyle. The unit continues with a look at the various native cultures that inhabited North America. The classroom uses their smartboard and HMH program to explore the native cultures and lifestyles. The unit focuses on reading and listening comprehension, making connections to contemporary issues, making inferences, and openly exploring the history of North America.

Ms. Rodriguez's Classroom

Ms. Rodriguez' classroom is having a friendly competition regarding our iReady; web-based program! After finishing their diagnostic, for every lesson passed, each student gets a sticker. For every 5 stickers received, the student receives a ticket, which will then be raffled every Friday! Whoever wins that raffle gets a chance to choose a prize of their liking! Prizes range from a Visa Gift Card, a no homework pass for a night or can order a takeout lunch of their choosing!



Jeffrey loves making Pumpkin Rice Krispy Treats during Culinary!



Mr. Murray,
Malachi, Eduardo
& Kody learning a
bunch of exciting
items with the
Smart Board!

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