



Stingray Strip

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Yikes, it's cold and flu season!

Remember to wash your hands, get enough sleep, and eat fruits and vegetables! When we take care of our bodies, they can stand up to strong and mighty germs. No one wants to miss out on any winter fun due to sickness!



The students of second grade made lanterns celebrating the Year of the Dragon. Happy Lunar New Year!



Ms. King's second grade class became published authors through Student Treasures Publishing Company. They each contributed a page to the book titled "I Love My Body" promoting self love!

February/March 2024

***2/16- 1/2 Day for students.
Teacher PD**

***2/19- NO SCHOOL
President's Day**

***2/29- LEAP DAY
PRETZEL SALE**

***3/4- 8TH GRADE
GRADUATION PICTURES**

***3/16-SATURDAY SCHOOL**

***3/17-HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

***3/22- NO SCHOOL
STAFF PD**

***3/28- 1/2 DAY (start of Spring
Break)**



What is Leap Year?

A leap year is a calendar year that contains an additional day.

(February 29th) compared to a common year. The 366th day is added to keep the calendar year synchronized with the astronomical year or seasonal year.

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Black History Month

by: Ms. Farias

In PreK, we start off with the Golden Rule: "Treat others the way You want to be treated". We talked about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Friend, Rosa Parks. We read books about them, look at real life pictures, listen to his real voice in his "I have a dream speech, and listen to Rosa Parks talk about her experience on the bus that day in 1955.

We talk about how the laws weren't fair back then. How the laws back then didn't follow the Golden Rule and MLK reminded the world of the Golden Rule. We talked about Rosa Park's experience on the bus that day. We talked about how Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks had all their friends and community not ride the buses or give the bus companies their hard-earned money. This helped the law makers change the laws. Now we can ride the bus to fieldtrips together and sit with whatever friend we want no matter what we look like.

It is so cute to hear them continue the conversations, apply the Golden Rule to our Classroom Rules, talk about Rosa Parks when we get on the bus for fieldtrips and pick our friends to sit with on the bus. It's also so heart-warming to hear Kindergarteners and some of the older kids pass by our door. I can hear them talking about when they made the friendship bus in PreK.



TALEWISE ASEMBLY



Where science and stories collide in this interactive STEM program!



MACARENA



PROGRAMMING

SATURDAY SCHOOL

It's all fun and games at RAS Saturday School, promoting healthy minds and bodies.



YOGA



ACTING

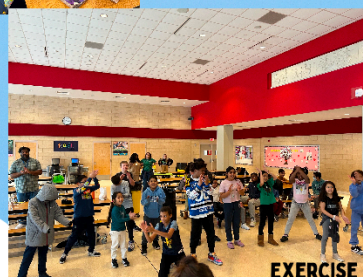


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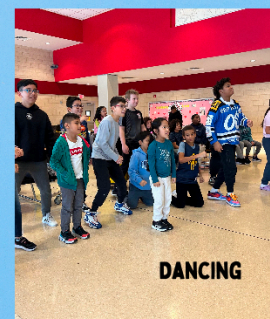


CONVERSATION

SATURDAY SCHOOL



EXERCISE

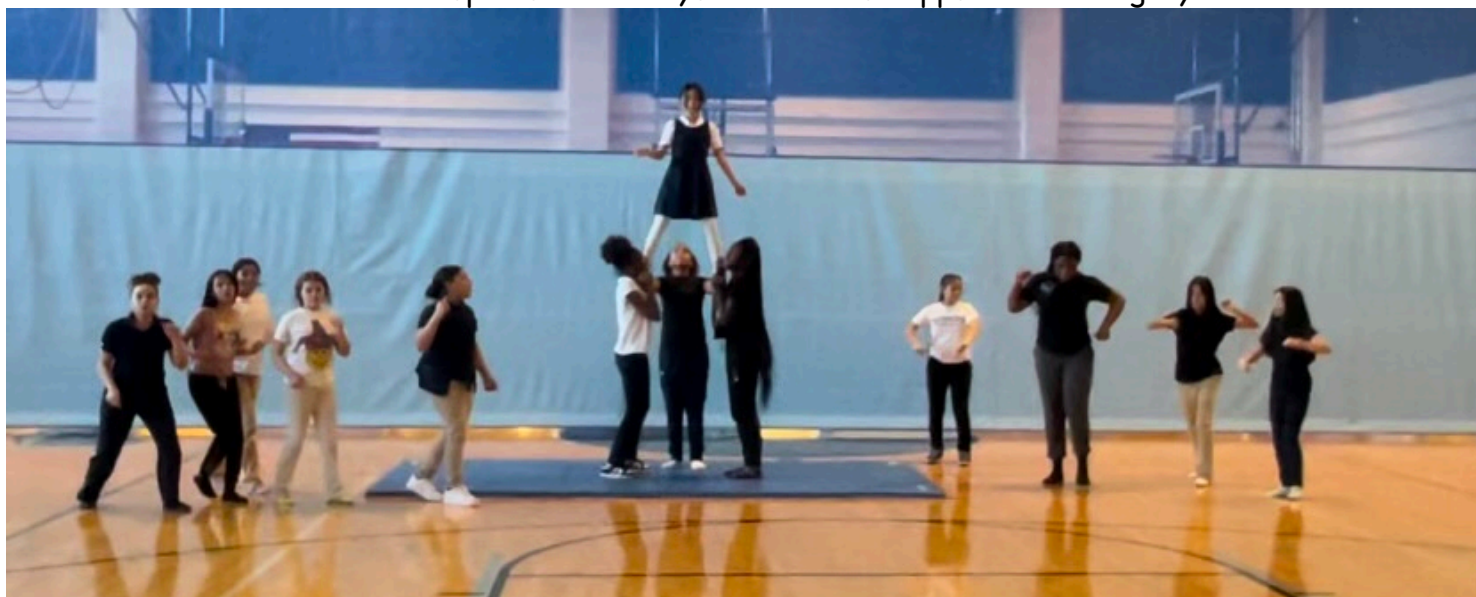


DANCING

Cheerleading News

Coach Rush and Coach Owens

Our RAS Stingray Cheerleading Team is working hard. They have a competition on March 2 at ACHS. We hope to see everyone there to support the Stingrays.





WIDA ACCESS TESTING

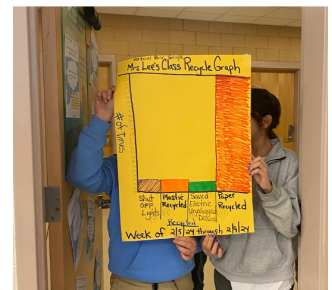
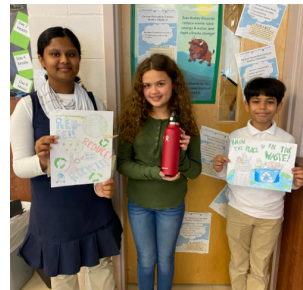
Our 170 Multilingual Learners in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade are taking the WIDA ACCESS test this month. ACCESS for ELLs is an English language proficiency test that measures students' academic English language skills. Students cannot study for the test, rather, should have a hearty breakfast and come to school well rested.

Sporting News

by: Coach Gelston

On Saturday, 2/10/2024, our volleyball teams headed over to the ACHS to participate in the annual tournament. Nerves were high as the first game was a must win and losing game 1 meant no chance of a championship. Both the 5/6th and 7/8th grade teams won with ease. However, round 2 seemed to prove more difficult and after a tough battle our 5/6th team was defeated, but eventually made their way back to 3rd place in the tournament. The 7/8th grade Stingrays performed exceptionally and went all the way to the championship game.

In a hard-fought battle against New York Avenue, they were able to win the first 2 sets of the match and secure the championship title. Every athlete from Richmond was on the sidelines cheering each other on and cheers erupted after the final point. After a long day, two athletes from each team were named MVP's Melissa Franco and Asher Keim from the older team and Daysi Nava and Marco DiPaola from the younger team. Congratulations to all the volleyball players on a stellar performance!



Buddy Bison

by: Ms. Smith

Do you leave a room and forget to turn off the light? How about reaching for a water bottle after playing a game of soccer or basketball?

Well, fifth grade students have participating in a 10-week contest called: "The Buddy Bison Carbon Reduction Contest." The goal is to learn the many ways to reduce your carbon footprint, then share the message with family and friends.

Weekly actions guided students as they learned about the impact of plastic in the ocean; so reusable water bottles are a great solution. Turning the lights off for just 15 minutes and unplugging electronics can also help. You may remember 5th graders visiting to your classroom, reminding you how to be green! "The Buddy Bison" program helped me learn to **reduce, reuse, and recycle**. "You can save the environment and save money," says fifth grade student, Tanvir Saaquid.