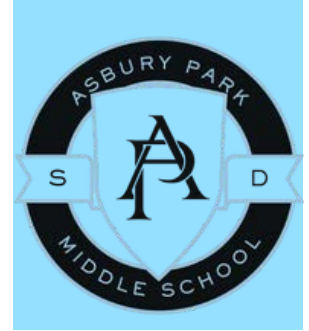


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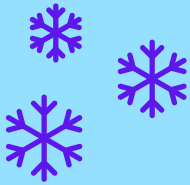
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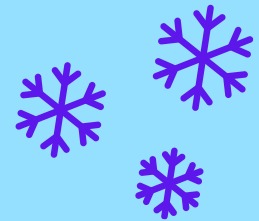
Greetings MLK Community!

For this last edition of our newsletter for the 2023 calendar year, I'd like to thank the staff and community for making this first part of the school year a memorable one for our students. Your dedication to our students has had a positive effect on their wellbeing, both academically and emotionally.

It is my hope that the entire MLK Community has a safe and enjoyable break. Here's to recharging and strengthening our commitment to the students of Asbury Park!



Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



Perry J Medina, Principal

Important Dates

12/22: Early Dismissal

12/25-1/1/24: Winter Break

1/2/24: School Reopens
(1/2 is an A day)



Congratulations to our Students of the Month

November:

Samantha, 8th Grader

December:

Jason, 8th Grader



Winter Break!

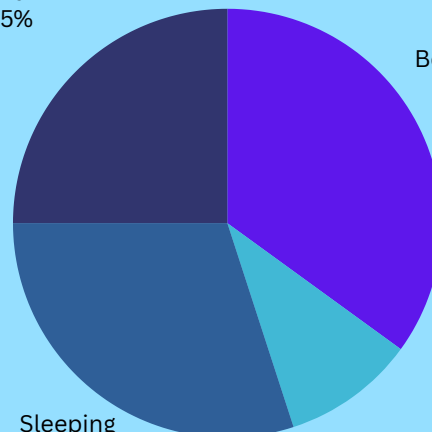
Students were surveyed in class about what they were most looking forward to doing over break.

Playing my Games
25%

Being with Family
35%

Sleeping
30%

Eating or Making Cookies or other special foods
10%



STUDENT COUNCIL



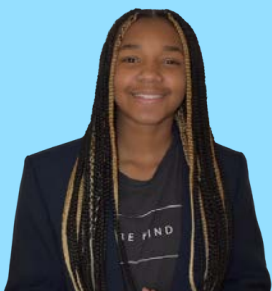
The Student Council, led Ms. Williams-Davis, recently held elections for Executive Board positions. Student Council Representatives gave speeches to the entire school providing reasons why they wanted to obtain an elected position.

The Student Council representatives have already been hard at work, meeting and brainstorming ideas. The Student Council brought us our “Winter Spirit Days” and our Holiday Treats sale.

*See pictures on page 7 from our Winter Spirit Days.



MEET THE EXECUTIVE BOARD



Madam President
Peyton B.



Vice President
Kevan C.



Recording
Secretary
Emily S.T.



Secretary of
Peer Relations &
Student
Activities
Jahzara C.



Keeper of the
Peace & Order
Princess G.



High Honor Roll



In order to obtain high honor roll, students must earn an A in all subjects.

Sixth Graders

Kimberly B.G.
Vanessa G.D.
Evanely J.I.
Sanjino N.

Seventh Graders

Kevan C.
Jacob C.
Nathan E.
Jerome J.
Brandon W.

Eighth Graders

Diego A.R.
Jeshua J.R.
Alondra M.C.
Plaiton M.S.
Samantha M.S.
Renex M.
Jayla M.R.
Abril P.M.
Roniyah R.



Honor Roll

In order to obtain honor roll, students must earn a grade of B or better in all subjects.

Sixth Graders

Abigail, Mohamed,
Singh, Gisselle, Jahsyla,
Dylan, Jose, Karen,
Glendi, Uziah, Lesly,
Lucia, Jhostin, Kevin,
Brayan, Xavier, Ariel,
Darla, Zah'Ky, i,
Leonardo, Wickenley,
Sharmelehia, Jorge,
Ivette, Alaura-Rose,
James, Anahi, Bryan,
Juan, Karon, Freddy,
Ja'Veah, Dylan, Zahryi,
Stevenson, Alex,
Sa'Mya, Jean Ryan

Seventh Graders

Julian, Cielo, Anyiah,
Peyton, Sha'leek,
Malayah, Daylin,
Kevin, Jahzara, Alex,
Esteban, Antoni,
Princess, Adan,
Orlando, Braylon,
Ja'Siyla, Malonie,
Joel, Dawens,
Herlancia, Sincere,
Donna, Cristal, Juan,
Allison, Ky'Juan,
Melanie, Angel,
Alanna, Summer,
Ariana, Umira, Jaila,
Axel, Emily, Jania

Eighth Graders

Miguel, Jason, Orfelia,
Brandon, Nahjournee,
Aniyah, Dulce Maria,
Nathanael, Cesar,
Alan, Nahshon,
Dahmir, Seven, Angel,
A'jeir, William, Axel,
Daniel, John, Zy'Qwai



Artists of the Month: Azull, 7th grader and Seven, 8th grader



Stop by the main foyer to view the amazing work by these two talented students.

Submitted by Mrs. Rosker



TEACHING IS A WORK OF HEART

Congratulations,
Mrs. Del Orbe &
Mrs. Philhower!



Mrs. Del Orbe and Mrs. Philhower were recognized by their peers and honored with receiving the NJ Governor's Educator of the Year. Mrs. Del Orbe is the Dr. MLK, Jr. Middle School's Teacher of the Year & Mrs. Philhower is the Dr. MLK, Jr. Middle School's Educational Services Professional of the Year.

SPORTS NEWS



Wrestling

Coach Schneider
with help from
Coach Pro & Hayman



Cheer on the team at their upcoming games:
Thursday, 12/21 at Joseph R. Bolger Middle School
Friday, 1/12 vs. Wall Intermediate School
Wednesday, 1/17 vs. Tinton Falls Middle School
Friday, 1/19 at Eisenhower Middle School



Basketball

Coach Weedon

Cheer

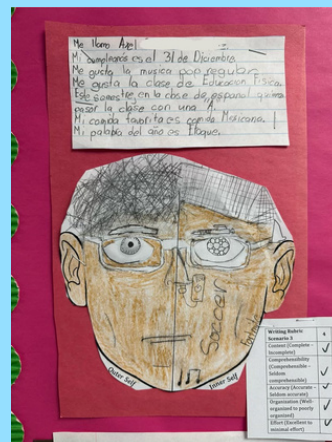
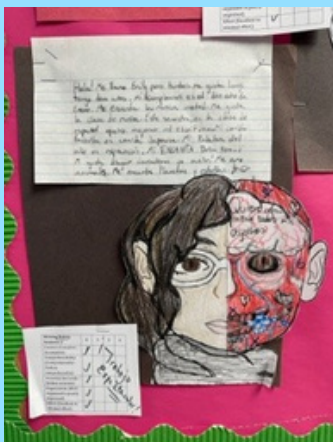
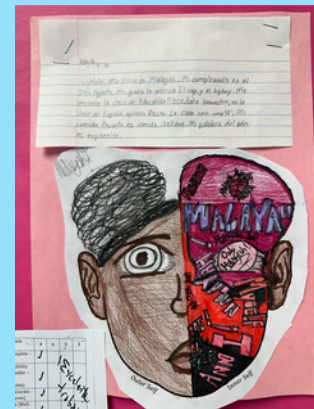
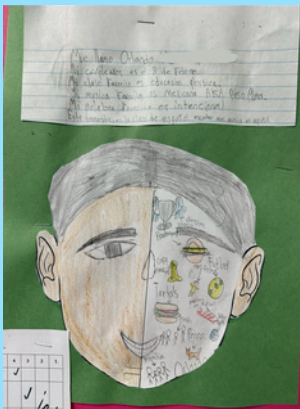
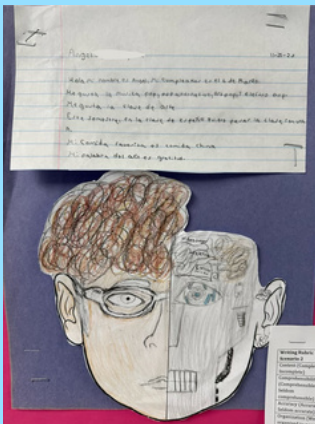
Coach Love



Rally on the Basketball team with the Cheerleaders
at their upcoming games:
Monday, 1/8 at Lakewood Middle School
Thursday, 1/11 vs. Freehold Intermediate School *at APTS
Friday, 1/19 at Freehold Intermediate School

Teacher Collaborations

Mrs. Correa and Mrs. Rosker worked with the 7th grade students to complete a collaborative project between their Art and Spanish classes. Students learned how to use the verb "gustar" and write in Spanish about things they like. In art, they completed a dual self-portrait split down the middle. Half of the face represented their outer self, while the other half represented their inner self - incorporating their interests into their drawing. These drawings were paired with a paragraph written in Spanish about things they like.



Winter Spirit Days

Brought to you by the Student Council & The Climate and Culture Committee



Instructional Coaching Updates from Mrs. Philhower



Over the years I have learned that lifting others has only come back and made my own life better. This was a great image I saw this past week that probably sparked a lot of the “why” behind everything we do in teaching and growing older. “Blowing out someone else’s candle won’t make yours shine brighter. Remember that.”

Education is about elevation. Not just of others, but honestly, yourself. **Don’t let anyone dim your light because the world does better when we all continue to shine!**

Magicschool.ai Scoop!

Using the magic of AI to help teachers. MagicSchool is a set of easy-to-use, AI-powered tools built to lighten teachers’ load, so teachers can save their energy for where they shine best— in the classroom, in front of students.

How can MagicSchool’s AI help teachers?

Create instructional materials Differentiate for success

Engage families and communities

Rubric maker

Email responder

Class newsletter tool

Text dependent questions

Multiple explanations for complex concepts

Math story problem maker

IEP and accommodation suggestions

Colleague song generator (my fav!)

and so much more!!

Teachers' caught teaching their hearts out alert!



Submitted by
Mrs. Philhower



What is vertical learning?
Take a learning walk over
to Mrs. Miles math class
to watch this high level of
learning in action!



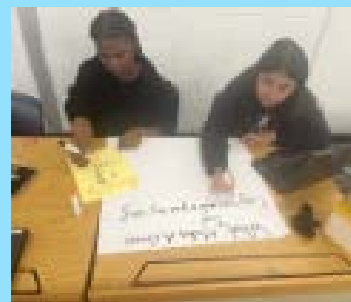
Linkit! Data Tracking to
keep our students
motivated for Form B
testing Ms. Cecere's Math
class!



Mr. Marhevka collaborated
in a small group in his 8th
grade math class. Students
and the teacher were
engaged and having fun!



Great teaching styles showed up in
the 8th grade math class with Ms.
Sorber! Teaching side by side with
students making personalized
learning work and effective.



Students caught again in small group breaking down an article of the week in Ms. Walks' ELA class.