

Tiger Tracks



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Newsletter Anniversary: Interviewing on Our Hopes

*Where Are We,
and Where Are We Going?*

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and Natasha Chucaralao**

and an advice column where one writes anonymously for help. Also, I would like to see a sports column where someone reports our teams' games. (For the well wishes) Keep up the great work and dedication!"

Jayda-Lynn Grullon, Grade 8 Student:

Question: *As a new student, would you like us to continue the Newsletter?*

Answer: "I believe the Newsletter is something students should continue. In my personal opinion, the newsletter is a great experience for those who are interested in writing, and it also helps inform students that are curious with what is going on around us. As a new student, I believe it is important to know what is going on around my environment, and I actually very much enjoy reading them."

Question: *What would you like to see in the future Newsletters and do you have any well wishes for the anniversary?*

Answer: "In future newsletters, I would like to not only see events going on around myself, because I am aware of what is happening, but I will like to know what is happening in all of Bergen County. It would be great to hear news from other places and to see what is going on. Anyways, it would be great for students who are interested in the news to research and interview people from other towns with the technology we have today."

We are all wishing the best for the Newsletter of 2017-2018. We will all aim to make these suggestions and dreams come true. The Class of 2018 hopes to leave a legacy on this Newsletter, and for it to inspire the ones in the future!



Congratulations Tiger Tracks!

The month of October marked the one year anniversary of Lincoln School's Newsletter! To think, last year we had a few articles on the Fairview School District's website, and now we have blossomed into our tenth newsletter, and there are more to come. From interviews to creating articles about school events, everyone included in the making of the newsletter has shown hard work and perseverance.

"Where are we, and where are we going?" is a question that is often pondered and is significant to all elements of the newsletter. We must acknowledge our past, act and be in the present, and use that to bring about even greater possibilities for the future. In the eyes of these writers, "Where are we, and where are we going?" means that based on last year's achievements for our newsletter, we want to accomplish growth by expanding our articles' topics and introduce other Fairview District's schools to "Tiger Tracks". By doing this in the present, we can attain our goals and create new possibilities we had not thought of for the future. However, every opinion varies from teachers to students, and even our very own principal! Below are some of the interviews in our sights:

Mrs. Turro and Mrs. Puente, Lincoln School Administration:

Question: *Do you feel that the Newsletter has shown growth and is something we should continue for years to come?*

Answer: "I think absolutely. It shows growth because everybody adds a personal touch/experiences, and it should always continue."

Question: *What would you like to see in future Newsletters, and do you have any well wishes for the anniversary?*

Answer: "I would like to see student features more, such as an acknowledging an act of kindness or something outstanding a student did. I would like a style column, such as fall fashion,





New Teacher Interview **Zena Hassan, Melissa Montijo,** **and Aliya Laliwala**

Recently, we interviewed a new member of Lincoln School. Mrs. Corizzi is a sixth grade teacher, who teaches all subjects. You will find her teaching in Homeroom 201.

Q: How do you feel about teaching in Lincoln School?

A: I love teaching at Lincoln so far. The kids are full of personality, kind and eager to learn. The staff has also been so helpful and has made the transition to a new school less overwhelming.

Q: Did you always want to become a teacher when growing up?

A: Growing up, I always knew I wanted to work with kids. I am the oldest of all the “kids” in my family, so I was always the babysitter, tutor or mentor. My mom is also a teacher, so up until I got my own job teaching, I constantly went to her classroom to visit and watch her teach.

Q: How do you feel about the new testing methods?

A: I feel that the students need to become acclimated to taking online tests. For me, it is not necessarily new because through my few years as a teacher, more and more districts have implemented online testing methods.

Q: What college did you attend?

A: I attended Ramapo College of New Jersey.

Q: What is your view of students having homework and tests weekly?

A: I believe homework acts as a great review for what is being taught. I firmly believe that students should be given homework that directly mirrors what they are doing in class, rather than busy work. I also like to give them homework that will teach them something, for example current events. Students should know what is going on in the world outside of Fairview, NJ. This also allows for really meaningful discussions when the students present their findings.

As for tests, my beliefs are the same as homework. In order for students to show progress and show that they are in fact learning the content, teachers need to give tests/quizzes.

Q: What is your least and favorite part of teaching?

A: My favorite part of teaching is being able to be a positive role model and mentor for my students. I really try to promote positivity and respect in my classroom, and tell my students that when they are in my room, they are a team, a family. I love watching the bonds and friendships formed, and of course, seeing my students succeed!

I'm not sure if I have a least favorite part of teaching. Instead, I think the hardest part of teaching is trying to keep materials organized and making sure I teach everything that needs to be taught. As a new teacher, it is difficult to use materials that I have never used before, and I take a lot of time to go through everything to create lessons. However, with the

support of the other staff members, it has made it much easier and less stressful!

Q: Putting teaching aside, what do you like doing in your free time?

A: In my free time, I love spending time with my family. I have a 3-year-old son who is now in school and is learning new things every day. I love playing with him and listening to all his funny phrases and imagination! I also love watching football, even though my favorite team is not doing too well so far!

Q: What was your favorite subject in school?

A: My favorite subject in school was always English Language Arts. I absolutely love reading and getting lost in a story (and still do). I also love writing and actually considered writing a children's book at one point.

Q: Do you feel that you have an impact on the students that you have taught?

A: I do feel that I have had an impact on the students I have taught. I like forming special bonds with my students to help them feel comfortable in my classroom and comfortable speaking to me about anything that may be bothering them. I have had students see me around my town and they remember things I taught them four years ago. So, I do believe I have and I hope I continue to make positive impacts in my student's lives.

Q: Did you enjoy school when you were a student?

A: As a child, I didn't necessarily “enjoy” school. I struggled as a student, which made it hard for me. I also was extremely shy, so I never really let my teachers know that I was struggling. However, I think this has made me a better teacher because I understand what it is like to not understand something and how to change my teaching and cater to those students who do struggle.



And Now... Teacher Shout Outs!



respect, as well as any other word that represents respect. The drawing had to be colorful and creative.

Project: 3rd Grade

For a fun activity, one class of 3rd graders are collecting pumpkins. You might be asking why, but they are doing an experiment. They are going to open the pumpkin in half and see what is inside it. They are going to observe how the pumpkin looks inside and study the innards of a pumpkin and weigh them, as well.

After this, they will clean it with Clorox Disinfecting Wipes. Later, they use Legos Toys to build a pumpkin of their own. They are going to use little tiny pieces of lego to replicate the pumpkin's seeds. Next, they will be drawing the inside and outside of the pumpkin to see the differences between both.



Don't think they are over yet! They will be cutting yet another pumpkin, but this time it will be a rotten one. They will redo the same steps as the first activity, however, they will not draw it. Instead, they will write how the two pumpkins are alike and different. This fun activity is seasonally perfect and teaches how to compare and contrast, as well as scientifically observe.

Project: 2nd Grade

The 2nd graders did a small activity that involved math. They had 6 different boxes with different math problems.

In the first box it asked how old they are, then they had to add two numbers so it would equal their age. The second box asked their birthday. The third box asked how many pets they have. The fourth box asked how many people are in their family, and how many boys and how many girls. Next, they had to add two numbers so it would equal how many members are in their family. The fifth asked what their favorite number is. They then had to create an addition problem with two numbers that equal their favorite number. Box six asked how many teeth they have lost so far. Finally, to complete the project, they had to draw a picture of themselves in the center of the page.



Projects from around the District Ardiana Quino and Allison Juarez

Respect Projects

One of the projects we have been working on is a respect project. Last week, we did three different projects for respect. The first project that we did was in "Picture It!". "Picture It!" is a program where you could put color full background. We had to do a poster that reminds us about respect. To do this we could add pictures, quotes, and sayings. That is based on respect. We did this project so everyone could understand that we have to respect each other.

The second project that we did was on *Google Docs*. We had to create an acrostic poem. By writing the word respect vertically. Then across from each letter we had to write a phrase or a sentence. The phrase or sentence that we wrote had to be based on respect. This project is to remind us, and everyone else, that respect is important to show toward all.

Lastly, another respect project that we did was in Spanish. We had to draw something that could represent



A Back to School Night to Remember Kaitlynn McKee and Briana Soto

On September 26, 2017, Fairview's annual "Back to School Night" event took place, in Lincoln School. Parents and guardians of children grades 4-8 attended this special occasion. Parents learned about the new programs being introduced at Lincoln School. For instance, the school will be introducing a system called Parent Portal which will allow parents to access their children's grades online to see how they are progressing. The use of technology by way of new educational sites and more teachers using Google Classroom is also a new advancement.

This event was definitely a success! One reason being that the yearbook committee raised



close to about \$400 for the school. It was an enjoyable experience for everyone that attended. Let's hope that next year's Back to School Night will be just as great as this one!



2017 Poll Dance Melanie and Briana Soto

Lincoln School's 7th and 8th graders had a blast at this year's annual Poll Dance. The theme was Masquerade, inspired by Mardi Gras, a holiday that originated in New Orleans and is celebrated in some parts of the U.S. to this day. Our DJ Austin played some trending songs along with classics such as "The Cha Cha Slide".

The most magical part of the night was when Alejandro Ortega and Andrea Pulgarin were crowned our 2017 King and Queen! The two love birds slow danced while the crowd went wild. Some other interesting categories included *most likely to succeed, most athletic, and best smile*.

Of course, we can't forget to mention Mr. Roman's unexpected performance of "Ice Ice baby". I'm sure we can all say he took the spotlight. Students cheered him on throughout the whole song, occasionally getting a chance to sing into the microphone themselves. The 2017 Poll Dance was a success for sure! Thank you to Mrs. DeVivo and Mr. Hegarty for all of their hard work in planning this event.

NOTEWORTHY NEWS



Ms. Janet Myer and her class spearheaded a fundraiser for UNICEF in October. Through **Trick or Treat for UNICEF** Lincoln School raised \$867 for this organization that aids humanitarian aid efforts for children in crisis.

The National Junior Honor Society's Food Drive and Chocolate Fundraiser

Pelin Cokuslu

During November, the National Junior Honor Society is giving back to those less fortunate and to charities which support them. This month is all about being thankful for what you have, thus the NJHS has decided to hold our annual food drive and a chocolate fundraiser!

The Food Drive is taking place from now until November 21st. The NJHS is accepting nonperishable items, such as canned and packaged foods. All proceeds will go to local shelters and communities that are in need. Send all items to Mrs. Muhanna's Room on the second floor (Room 205).

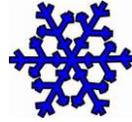
The NJHS will also be holding a Chocolate Fundraiser. They will be sold outside of school. All of the proceeds will be going to select charities, specifically the American Heart Association, Charity Water, and one yet to be determined. This Chocolate Fundraiser will be ending on November 30th. We all hope you can make a difference with us this Thanksgiving! All donations are greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING SCHOOL SCHEDULE:



November 22: Single Session Day
November 23-24: Closed for Thanksgiving.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



December 22: Single Session Day
December 25-January 1: Closed for Holiday Recess.

January 2: School is back in session

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Volleyball

Aileen Mayen, Brianna Lopez, Winnie Zhao

This year, 2017, Fairview's Lincoln School had its second year of volleyball that accepted students from grades 7 through 8. Volleyball season started out as a way for Fairview to actually have more experience in this sport. Our Principal, Mrs. Turro, was "ecstatic" at the start of the team. She "believes this sport is a good opportunity for people to learn and work together." Coach DeVecchio and Coach J. were assigned to coach the volleyball team. Our first season had a few glitches, but this year seems to be off to a smooth start.

This year Coach Delvecchio and Coach J. have chosen 15 volleyball players to represent Fairview as a volleyball team. They chose Winnie Zhao, Aileen Mayen, Isabella Sanchez, Jasmin Garcia, Maya Winters, Ariana Negit, Dariana Sanchez, Vilma Sanchez, Aleeza Shah, Alexa Bigler, Nadia Caballero, Hailey Iglesia, Jayda-Lynn Grullon, and Rubi Orellana. These players were selected because the coaches believe that they have the potential and the motivation to carry on the team as one.

The coaches devised a plan that gave us one to two days of practice after school every week, and at least two games a week. This would give the team a better chance of taking gold. The team has a total of 18 games, but in total, they've won 6 games. Although this amount of wins is very low, they all put forth their fullest effort, not only that, but this was only their second season.

Sadly the season ended, the 25th of October. As the 8th graders move on to high school, the 7th graders, 8th graders during the next volleyball season, are more prepared to face the challenges, and they can fight through it.



Football Safety Tips
Moeenaldean Dalia and Ata Erdal

American football is played on nearly every continent. In 2008-09, there were 633 NCAA member institution teams and 64,879 participants. The average team size was 103 players. The overall injury rate in NCAA football is 8.1 injuries per 1,000 athlete exposures in games and practices combined. There were more than 41,000 injuries and 25 million athlete exposures from 2004 to 2009. To prevent life threatening injuries consider these tips:*

- Always wear a helmet to protect your skull from serious injuries.
- Shoulder pads, hip pads, tail pads, knee pads, and thigh guards are also necessary for safety.
- A mouth guard with a keeper strap is needed to protect your teeth, cheeks and tongue from getting cut or hurt. Also, they reduce to chances of getting a fractured jawbone.
- As a player you should wear a non-detachable, rubber-cleated shoes.

*Article Source: <http://www.chp.edu/injuryprevention/safety/sports/football>

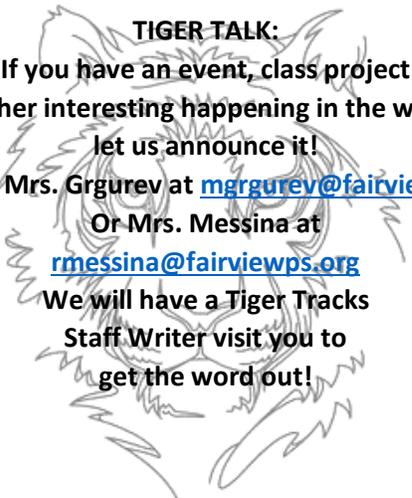


World Wreckers!
Joshua Pashalian and Jawad Jamil

During the past few weeks, numerous dangerous hurricanes have hit many important places. One major hurricane that has stirred up in our atmosphere is Hurricane Irma. This hurricane made landfall in Orlando, Florida and the Florida keys. This is probably one of the most deadliest hurricanes that has occurred in the United States. Hurricane Irma was a category 5 hurricane in Orlando and a category 4 in some other parts of Florida. This hurricane caused much damage to people's homes, and unfortunately, some people have even passed away.

Another hurricane made landfall in Puerto Rico, as well. This hurricane was called Hurricane Maria. Hurricane Maria was also a category 5, and is another one of the most deadly hurricanes. This hurricane hit a few weeks after Hurricane Irma and caused severe damage to many of the islands in the Caribbean. These hurricanes will forever be remembered for their horrific damage and destruction.

Breaking News: Literally. Two massive earthquakes struck Mexico in September! One earthquake, off the coast of Mexico, had a magnitude of 8.1. This occurred on September 8. This was the strongest one out of the 2. Another earthquake struck Mexico City. Its magnitude was 7.1 and occurred on September 19. This earthquake caused a school collapse, causing almost all the students and faculty to perish. Both of these earthquakes caused tremendous damage to the country of Mexico.



TIGER TALK:

If you have an event, class project or other interesting happening in the works, let us announce it!

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We will have a Tiger Tracks Staff Writer visit you to get the word out!

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| 62968297 | 9876543210 | 011 |  | Greetings humans. My name is Blazie, and I am here to inform you all about the means for celebration that are to come this month of November. To start off, we have Veterans' Day, observed on November 11th each year to honor all veterans who have previously served in the U.S Armed Forces. We also have TURKEY DAY! THE DAY WE STUFF OUR MOUTHS WITH TURKEY AND GRAVY AND-"breathe". Whoops. I got carried away with the food. Thanksgiving, November 23rd, is the day we are to take the time to appreciate our friends, family, and all our blessings. All while stuffing our faces with food. (Don't judge me). And for those who love shopping, there's Black Friday right after Thanksgiving! |
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