



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

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Teaching Minds. Guiding Hearts.

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Dear Parents, Guardians, and the St. Joseph School and Parish Community,

Another great week at St. Joseph School, with even more excitement to come next week! Before we get to that, let's see what some of our classes would like to share with you...



In Nursery, the students practiced their numbers by counting “snowballs”. Then, they played snowman bowling! Who knew counting could be so much fun?

Our Pre-Ks built forts out of old cereal boxes.

Our teachers at the Early Childhood level continue to focus on STREAM education, promoting creativity, teamwork and trial-and-error; this in turn prepares them for our primary level and beyond.



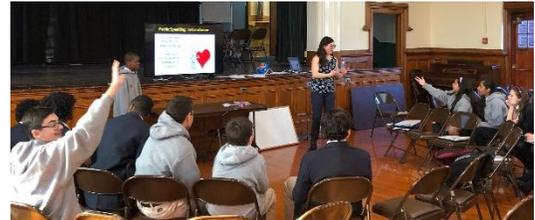
5th and 1st grade came together to work on their Service Project, the second buddy-group to do so this year. They worked together to create gift bags for the pediatric patients at Winthrop Hospital, which has a wonderful program run by child life specialists. Child life specialists visit



pediatric patients in the hospital and do activities with them to take their minds off what they are experiencing. The gift bags that the 5th and 1st grade made consist of homemade cards created by the students, activity/coloring books and crayons. The students loved working together on this project and are looking forward to passing it along to the children in the hospital.



Our Pathways program for our Middle School began this week as well for the second half of the year. Students had a number of new electives to choose from, including dance, clay molding and public speaking. The wide variety of choices gives students the opportunity to get out of their comfort zone and learn new skills.



We're also getting ready for Catholic Schools Week, which begins with our opening mass on this Sunday, January 26th at 9:00 AM. 4th grade prepared by



creating their own CSW poster, filled with their favorite memories of the year thus far; I guess you can call it a "First-Half-of-the-Year in Review"! Mrs. Parker also put up artwork from all grades – you should definitely take the time to check out our



"breezeway art gallery" when you visit us following our 9:00 AM mass, from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM, for our school Open House. You'll get to learn all about our programs at each grade level by speaking to knowledgeable tour guides, faculty and students. Can't make the Open House? Schedule a tour with us for any grade level by calling us at the number on our letterhead.



We have a fun-filled week ahead and we can't wait to share all of it in next week's letter!

Warm Regards,
Mr. Brian Colomban
Principal, St. Joseph School