

## CONWELL KIDZ DRAMA PROGRAM SOARS TO NEW HEIGHTS



The “Conwell Kidz” drama students recently performed scenes for their upcoming musical “Peter Pan Jr.” “I am extremely excited that our students were chosen to represent the district in this most prestigious event,” says PS 3 Principal Darren Mischel.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- **4/28**, Middle School report cards/conferences, 6-8 p.m.
- **4/29**, High School report cards/conferences, 6-8 p.m. (not including Snyder HS)
- **4/30**, Snyder HS report cards/conferences, 6-8 p.m.
- **5/3**, SAT Administration at SHS
- **5/5**, Art Expo for County Teen Artists, Bayonne Library, through 5/12
- **5/6**, Special Education Parent Advisory Council meeting, CO, 6 p.m.

“The students did a fantastic job and truly blew me away in their performance. I could only imagine how spectacular our in-house production will be this spring!” “We are truly excited to bring this year’s spring performance to new heights,” says drama teacher Nicole Oliver. “Last year, we had a live professional actor dog.” What’s in store for this year? Ms. Oliver says the community will have to come out and see.

Peter Pan Jr. will be performed on June 4 and 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Frank R. Conwell Elementary School auditorium, located at 111 Bright Street. Tickets are \$10. Contact the school at 201-915-6100 for more information. Come support the students and experience the magic!

## STUDENTS PREPARE FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL



Lincoln HS Principal Cheryl Richardson-Evans is flanked by students at the Game of Life program in March.

The “Game of Life” is an interactive program which assists our students in making a smooth and independent transition to life after high school. The goal is to teach them life skills and help them gain knowledge regarding community resources, as well as negotiate the various systems they may have to deal with in the future.

This school year, the Game of Life program was hosted by Lincoln and Ferris High Schools. Real-life situations using role-playing with the assistance of community agencies familiarized students with services that are available. Students were given a scenario, and agencies were available to assist the students in solving their “problem.”

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## PS 12 ATTENDS NY JETS CAMP FOR “FUEL UP FOR 60”

Julia A. Barnes PS 12 students recently went to the NY Football Jets training facility in Florham Park as part of “Fuel Up to Play 60 - Be the Change.”



PS 12 was selected for their high participation rate in the “Breakfast in the Classroom” program and their involvement with Fuel Up to Play 60.

Students received the “red carpet” treatment upon entering the training facility, participated in a panel discussion on the importance of having breakfast, eating healthy, and staying physically active. Afterwards, the students participated in “NFL-like” activities, balanced breakfast relay races, and catching touchdown passes from NY JETS Defensive End, Muhammad Wilkerson.



## FORMER BOARD MEMBER VISITS PS 14

Ms. Behrens and Mrs. Taylor's kindergarten class had a visit from community member and former board member, Patricia Sebron. The children first met Ms. Sebron when she read to them during Read Across

America. She came back for a second visit, which involved dying eggs.

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## FAMILY HEALTH FAIR AT PS 39

Dr. Charles P. DeFuccio PS 39 recently held a Family Health Fair in their school gym. The fair was supported by Dr. Stephanie Bryant and her colleagues from Saint Peter's University. It was a fun-filled night of games, prizes, raffles, health tips, and activities.



## PS 37 CELEBRATES WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD LUNCHEON



On Tuesday, April 8, to celebrate the Week of the Young Child, Cordero's Pre-K students joined together with their families and teachers to share a luncheon representing their diverse cultures.

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## SAT ACCOLADES FOR MCNAIR ACADEMIC STUDENTS

McNair Academic is pleased to report recent Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) successes. Senior Alexander Tang has been selected as the only semifinalist in Hudson County for the 50th Annual National Merit Scholarship Program and is one of 1,600 nationally (out of a pool of 160,000). Students qualify by taking the PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying



"The 800 Club" pictured from top left: Gao Pan (Math), Faraz Ali (Math), Alexander Tang (Critical Reading), Mussab Ali (Math), Hamza S. Chaudhry (Critical Reading), Autumn Justice (Critical Reading), Eswar Anandapadmanaba (Critical Reading, Writing, Math). Bottom Row: Sophie Shifman (Math), Benjamin Mazel (Math), David Prilutsky (Math). Not Pictured: Matthew Caicedo (Math), David Chen (Math).

Test), and this highly competitive scholarship program awards over \$45 million in awards. Twelve students have joined the "800 Club," gaining a perfect score in either Math, Critical Reading, or Writing on the SAT. To support the next crop of test-takers, McNair is continuing its after-school SAT Prep courses for juniors, run by Sylvan on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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## PS 41 CHOSEN TO PILOT NEW COLLEGE/CAREER PROGRAM



Fred W. Martin Center for the Arts PS 41 seventh grade Homeroom 318 was one of two classes chosen to pilot the ELA/Literacy section of the PARCC assessment. PARCC, which stands for Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers, is a new State assessment, which will

be implemented in the 2014-2015 academic year. To address 21st Century learning styles and the Common Core, the PARCC assessment will be administered partially online next year.

In preparation for this new adventure, students were given the opportunity to explore the website [www.parcconline.org](http://www.parcconline.org) together. When the time came to “test the test,” students were confident at their devices. Even with some technical glitches, they sailed through all three sessions calm, cool, and collected. In a few weeks, they will leave the PARCC playground and move on to the University of the NJASK.



Congratulations to Franklin L. Williams Middle School on achieving the best attendance for the month of March! MS 7 boasted a 96.1% attendance rate. The school was publicly recognized at the board of education monthly meeting last month and presented with an attendance banner to be proudly displayed on their building.

***Do you have news you'd like to share with our district? If so, please email items for consideration to: [communications@jcboe.org](mailto:communications@jcboe.org).***

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