

EMS Family Newsletter

April, 2019



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Student News and Recognition:

8th Grade Makes a Difference at RHS Mini-THON 2019

Several of our 8th graders and EMS staff members were honored to join RHS and Four-Diamonds in their fight against pediatric cancer at mini-THON 2019. Students danced, played games and enjoyed food from local vendors, all in the name of raising funds and awareness for a very worthy cause.

As an added bonus, the event also gave our rising freshmen an opportunity to sample many of the great programs and activities that will be available to them next year at RHS.



BASF - You be the Chemist Challenge

Six 8th graders represented EMS at this year's BASF - You be the Chemist challenge

After three rounds of questions, a semi-final and final round, representing EMS at the state challenge will be: *Justin Gilroy and Alex Maldonado*. Justin and Alex will be with 6 other Morris County students at the state competition slated for April 13th.



From left to right: Robbie Meno, Alex Maldonado, Justin Gilroy, Max Corsi, Emilia Sumpto and James Winters.

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Middle School Choral Festival at EMS

On March 20, EMS hosted our annual Choral Workshop and Festival. Both 7th and 8th grade choirs spent the day with Mt. Olive, Mt. Arlington, Hackettstown, Ramapo Ridge, and North Bergen choirs.

These ensembles had the opportunity to perform for one another and receive feedback from Dr. Brendan Williams, renowned vocal clinician from Rutgers University.



7th Grade Choir w/ Ms. Sprofera



8th Grade Choir w/ Mr. Salyerds

EMS honors Holocaust survivors

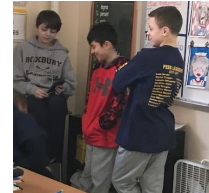
As part of their reading of *The Diary of Anne Frank*, EMS seventh graders had a visit with Holocaust survivors Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Magda Ungerleider. Special thanks to Mrs. Farina for organizing this powerful and humbling experience for our students.



Mr. & Mrs. Ungerleider with Mrs. Farina's 7th Grade class

Peer Leaders Outreach Program

Did you know EMS Peer Leaders visit Jefferson, Kennedy, Nixon, Franklin and Lincoln-Roosevelt Schools every year as part of their Outreach Program? Topics include drug prevention, mental health, refusal skills, bullying, digital citizenship and self-esteem.



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Information and announcements:

- Please accept a few friendly reminders from our front office regarding **student safety and school security**:
 - If your child contacts you to share they are not feeling well during the school day, please direct them to visit our school nurse (Ms. Hornung) for further evaluation.
 - Students who leave EMS at the end of the day (HSL, Dunkin, etc.) are not eligible to return to school to take the late bus.
 - Students who leave the campus after school are also not permitted back for afternoon sports without accompaniment by a parent/guardian.

- **“Mary Poppins Jr.”** - Our Drama Club students are hard at working preparing for their production of Mary Poppins Jr. Opening night is Thursday, April 11, with additional shows on Friday evening (4/12) and Saturday afternoon (4/13)! Please also consider supporting our EMS Drama Club at:
 - **Black River Barn** (1178 Route 10 West, Randolph, NJ 07869) on April 4th, 2019, Thursday from 11:00 am until closing time. A percentage of the proceeds will benefit the EMS Drama club. Flyers will be going home with the students.

A word from our PTO:

- Our next PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th at 7:30pm.
- Please [click here](#) to review the minutes from our most recent meetings.

What’s coming up at EMS?

- April 4: Google Certification for Students - Initial meetings during Core Extension. See attached flyer for more information.
- April 2: **Students & staff encouraged to wear blue - International Autism Awareness Day**
- April 5: Student of the Month Pizza Lunches (January-March winners)
- April 10: 3rd Marking Period Ends ([Click here](#) for 24/7 Parent Portal Access)
- April 11-13: EMS Drama Club Presents *Mary Poppins Jr!* See attachments for more information and to order your tickets today!
- April 16:
 - Coffee with the Principal (7:00pm)
 - PTO Meeting (7:30 pm)
 - Track Meet
- April 18-26: Schools closed for Spring Recess

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