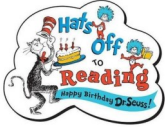




# Wildcat Roar

Winter 2018



## Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss! Celebrating Read Across America All Week Long

In honor of National Read Across America Week, WHS 29 participated in several activities based on Dr. Seuss' books during the week of February 26th to March 2nd. All the children were very excited to celebrate reading with their classes! They did everything from dressing like the "Cat in the Hat" to wearing their favorite colors or bringing in their favorite book or stuffed toy to share with their class. They read classics such as, "Oh, The Places You'll Go!," "Green Eggs and Ham," "Fox in Socks," and "The Cat in the Hat."

—Pre-K's Beautiful Work!



## Out of This World! Liberty Science Center



## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT JOURNALISTS'

**By: Stephanie Morel**

Recently, the middle school students went on a school trip to the Liberty Science Center. It was a great opportunity to learn and interact with our peers using new technology and information outside of school, all while having fun at the same time. Besides the planetarium, there were various exhibits that focused on science, which made the experience more realistic. The planetarium showed us about moon phases and eclipses through stimulation, which entertained us while learning something new. In my opinion, the best part about the trip was the different exhibits and labs we explored independently. This gave us the freedom to be hands on with various tools and gain more scientific information. The fact that we were able to discover new things and have fun with our friends through different activities made the trip enjoyable and memorable. The Liberty Science Center was a once in a lifetime experience with my friends, and I recommend this trip to all teachers and students in WHS29.

**By: Swapna Elizabeth  
Chavara**

Tuesday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018, was the day of our trip to the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey. As the science center had the largest planetarium in the Western Hemisphere of the world, we were all very excited! We boarded the bus at 9:45 a.m., got there around 11 o'clock and the bus trip was fun. When we got there, we were delighted. The stairs and the halls were magnificent. In the entrance, there was a big silver ball on the ceiling which expanded and shrunk. I really thought that it was going to fall on my head! Next, we went into the planetarium. Even though we had to wait 15 minutes for the show about stars and eclipses, was amazing! The ending of the show made us very dizzy, but it was fantastic at the same time. After the show, we went to the center's play stations such as the

touch tunnel, which was scary. There was also a big climbing obstacle course attached to a rail of the hallway on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, which had a very high elevation. At first, I was scared, but my friend Melody and I made it to the top. After playing, we went to eat lunch in the science centers cafeteria. Fifteen to thirty minutes were spent in the cafeteria, and then we had to board our buses to leave. We had three groups; my group's chaperones were Jennifer's mother, Simran's mother and Danielle's mom. All of them were very nice and looked after us very well. Also our social studies teacher- Ms. Pisculli, our science teacher- Ms. Magrino, and our Spanish teacher-Ms. Galasso were with us. Another favorite teacher of mine- Mrs. Dukum came with us and they all did a pretty good job too! We arrived back safely at 2:20 p.m. My classmates and I thought it was one of the best trips!

**By: Mckenzie Denman**

The Liberty Science Center was a wonderful learning experience. I spent my time at the Planetarium learning new things about the Earth's atmosphere, and how the rotation of daylight and nighttime work with each other. I encountered various science-based activities including a tunnel which was pitch black inside and through the sense of touch, we had to climb our way out of it. I found these activities entertaining because I was able to learn new information and participate in fun activities with my friends. I would recommend this trip to all students.

## SNOW MUCH FUN!

### **Third Grade Scientists in the Lab with Pre-K Learners!**

Ms. Llenin’s third grade students visited the Pre-K classes and talked about what they learned about chemical and physical changes. They taught the children how to make fake snow! They helped them combine ingredients, draw a winter scene, add “snow” and clean up afterward! It was a great learning experience for everyone!



## MAPLE SUGARING!

Ms. Garvey, Ms. DeCastro and Mr. G’s classes went to Teatown Lake Reservation in Ossining, NY to learn how to make Maple Syrup. They learned how to tap the trees to collect sap and cook the sap to create Maple Syrup. They were even able to taste it at the end! How delicious!



## 2nd Graders Turned Theatergoers!

Ms. Dinkler and Ms. Mace’s second grade classes enjoyed going to the theater to see “A Christmas Carol” in December of 2017. They will continue to their newfound love for the theater by going to see “The Wizard of Oz” this April.



**Pennies  
FOR  
PUPPIES**

## PENNIES FOR PUPS! Your Change Can Change a Life!

Our WHS 29’s Kindergarten Community Outreach program went around the school to collect donations for the Yonkers Animal Shelter. This fundraiser demonstrated the benefits of teaching children empathy for animals and the importance of giving to others. Collectively, they raised \$360 for animals in need at the Yonkers Animal Shelter



2017: Steve Lopez, Nader Sayegh and Superintendent Edwin Quezada with event organizer Raena Krokos of WHS 29 showing support at last years Spaghetti Dinner.



## PASTA WITH A PURPOSE!

We will be celebrating our 9th Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Friday April 13th. Proceeds from previous years have been used for buses for school trips, 2 bug shows & an upcoming Bubble Bus. This fundraiser is a great way to come together and give back. We look forward to seeing you all there!

# 100 Days Smarter!

## WHS 29 Celebrates the 100th Day of School!

### 100 Reasons Why We Love Our School

The WHS 29 Community participated in a school wide project to come up with 100 reasons why we love our school! Each class participated by coming up with a variety of ideas. The love for their teachers, friends or special school subjects were amongst the most popular!



### What equals 100?

Ms. Muscolino’s special education class completed several activities to honor our 100th day of school! Each of her ten students made a 10 link chain and linked them together to learn that 10 sets of 10 equals 100. They participated in an art project to form the number 100 using 100 pennies. They then learned that 100 pennies equals one dollar.



### #YonkersStands

A month following the horrific, deadly mass shooting in Florida, students across the United States protested against gun violence in number of demonstrations. Students in Grades 4 through 8 at Westchester Hills 29 participated in an “walk-in” assembly to honor the victims of Stoneman Douglas.

We would like to extend a big welcome to our new Safety Officer: William Sullivan!

### **DID YOU KNOW?**



Column by: Marco Reid  
7th grade

Did you know Stephen Hawkins passed away on March 14, 2018?  
Did you know that March 14 is Pi day?  
Pi = 3.14  
Did you know that he was 76 years old?  
Did you know that Albert Einstein's birthday was 3/14/1879  
Did you know that Albert Einstein was 76 when he died?  
Coincidence? I think not!  
It's like the universe is trying to tell us something.



### **SCHOOL WIDE FUNDRAISING!**

Seventh and Eighth Grade Student Council organized a fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Donations will be collected until March 29th as a class effort in each grade. The class who raises the most money will earn a special party as a reward! Help give back and donate today!

**2018 Student Council Roster**

**8-1**

President– Sydney O’ Mailey  
 Vice President– Chelsea Cromwell  
 Class Rep- Kaouter Benchihida  
 Treasurer– Elham AL-Shareqi

**8-2**

Alt Class Rep- Kayanna Philbert  
 Alt Treasurer– Uzair Washwell  
 Alt Secretary– Jacob Thompson

**7-1**

Secretary-Christa-Lee Soogrim  
 7th Grade Class Rep–  
 Tawfiq Abdalla

Our 2018 Yearbook, as well as Booster, and Advertisement Ads are ON SALE NOW! Reach out to us with any questions!

Please contact Ms. Pisculli– DPisculli@yonkerspublicschools.org  
 Mr. Giannantonio– JGiannantonio@yonkerspublicschools.org  
 Ms. Garvey–NGarvey@yonkerspublicschools.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spec Ed and Pupil Services 2nd Annual Art Show– April 11th  
 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser– April 13th  
 Petting Zoo– April 19th or 20th  
 Spring Concert– May 23rd  
 Bubble Bus (Special Education)- May 29th  
 Carnival– June 8th (Rain date June 11th)

**Laughing Out Loud!**



Our Winning Jokes were submitted by:  
 8-1 and Ms. DeCastro’s Class

**(A) What did the rug say to the floor?'**

**(B) What did the ocean say to the shore?**

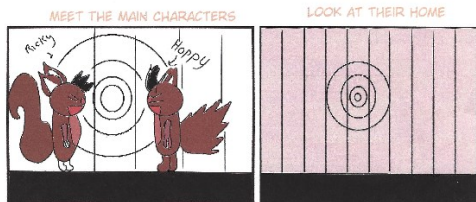
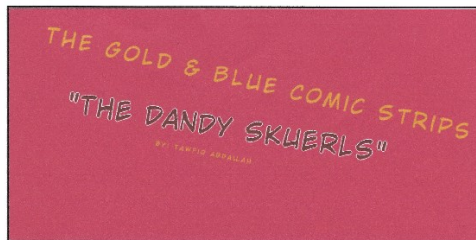
Answer (A) : Don't worry I got you covered  
 Answer (B) : Nothing, it just waved!!!

Coming Soon!

The Gold & Blue Comic Strips

The Dandy Skuerls

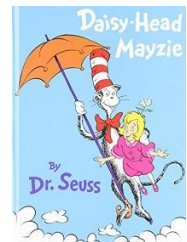
By: Tawfiq Abdallah



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 \* Please join our WHS 29 PTSA. They \*  
 \* do so much to enhance our children's \*  
 \* school experience ! \*  
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**Ask a Student**

**Daisy-Head Mayzie**  
 By: Dr. Seuss



**Question:** What would you do if you had a daisy growing out of your head?

**Answer:** I would go crazy and never forget to water my hair for the plant because that's it's new home now. Who cares if people make fun of me? It doesn't matter. Some people just don't understand the rules of taking care of a daisy . Talk about a 2nd flower growing in my hair. YOINK! One is just enough. Wait, am I a Daisy-Head now? :)

Student: Detric Rowe  
 Date: 3/1/18  
 Class: Ms. DeCastro