## YONKERS MONTESSORI ACADEMY MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Today is Friday, March 15, 2024

### For all students it is a "B" day.

At this time, will everyone please stop what they are doing and stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

## The focus of the month for March is **Reason Abstractly and Quantitatively**

#### Teachers:

- ➤ The report card window for grade levels 1 through 6 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester report cards is open and will close today at 12:00 p.m.
- ➤ There will be a Professional Development (SLC) meeting on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:15.

#### Teachers/Staff/Students:

- ➤ High School students, are you concerned with climate change, eager to make a difference? Then apply for a paid environmental leadership program with Groundwork Hudson Valley. More information is posted in the high school office. The application deadline is today.
- The following high school clubs will meet directly after school:
  - o Athletic Homework Help G25 & G33
  - o 9th Grade Intersession G18
- > St. Patrick's Day started as a religious holiday, but over time has expanded to be a celebration of Irish culture? So, let's celebrate our diverse YMA community.
- > YMA Spirit Week

Monday 3/18 – FAN DAY - Rep Your Team – College/Professional Are you the biggest fan to your team? Represent your team and show us how much of a fan you are!

➤ A moment for music in our school's:

Music education improves and develops language skills in children. Music stimulates the brain, and with its varied sounds and lyrics, students are exposed to a large amount of vocabulary in a short amount of time. Music also provides exposure to other languages, which creates a foundation for the student's ability to understand and communicate in a different language.

> Jacob Saglimbeni and Levy Rodriguez from Ms. Mazahreh's class with our Women's History month moment:

#### **CATHERINE HAYES**

Born in Limerick in 1818, Catherine Hayes became arguably the world's most famous opera star during the 19th century, and the first ever opera singer to tour Australia.

According to London's *Daily Express* newspaper, "Hayes was the 'Madonna' of her day; she was the 19th-century operatic equivalent of the world's most famous pop star".

Hayes, a renowned diva, passed away in 1861 aged just 43 and left behind a will of £16,000 – equivalent to around 1.2 million dollars in today's US dollar.

# Our word of the day is **Pleasant** and our Montessori Mindfulness Moment of Reflection is inspired by

It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life hums along like a song
But the one worth while
Is the one who can smile
When everything else goes wrong

The employee parking spot of the week goes to:

Ms. McGrath