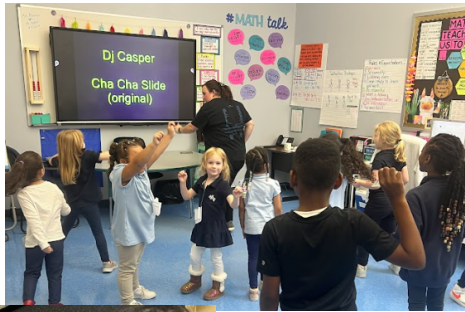




November 2023 Newsletter

Giving Thanks

Mead School has an abundance of thanks to give! Our staff and students are very thankful for everyone who has helped and supported us over the years.



First, a special thanks to Ms. Feri, Ms. Fowlin, and Mr. Selca for planning and

running our first Fun Friday of the year!! Everyone enjoyed their fun activities and had a blast! Looking forward to the next Fun Friday planned for December 22nd.



Second, special thanks to our veterans and those who came to our 22nd annual Veterans Day celebration. We even had Senator Cabrera honor Mead School with a certificate of recognition from the State of Connecticut. Mayor Cassetti, Dr.

Dibacco, Mr. Bergin, Ms. Cosciello, and Mr. Durand all gave their thanks to our Veterans making it a very special day. Of course it could not have been done without the planning of Mr. Howes and Ms. Snider. Their hard work really showed as this year was the best celebration yet!! Thank you!!



Third, we are thankful for our community and all the support we give one another. Mead School is a very special place and is participating in their annual giving tree.

New and Exciting

Ms. Snider and our Mead students are performing in their first Winter Concert. Please keep December 19th open. Grades Kindergarten thru grade 2 will be performing in the morning (9-10am) and grades 3 thru 5 will be performing in the afternoon (1:30 - 2:30pm). Please note: this is for Mead School families only and everyone must show ID to enter the school.

The Kozies for Kiddos is still going strong!! Mrs. Hydar and the ABA/Life SKills class are still collecting pajamas until December 15th. Please

consider donating a pair of pajamas and help them reach their goal of 350 pajamas!!

students achieve this goal by reading books at home.

Highlights from Life Skills

The students in the ABA/Life Skill classroom learned about what it means to be thankful. Our 5th graders read a book to the class and brainstormed what they are



thankful for. Mrs. Rogers' class helped with an activity which came out amazing!!



Mrs. Hydar's students also had a family activity making a quilt. Students and adults alike have been collecting pictures in order to put together their quilt square and share the stories behind them. Mrs. Hydar took the squares home to sew together and display in their classroom.



Reading Challenge: A few classes have crossed the 100 books read mark!! Students are continuing to read up a storm!! Adults can still help their

Mrs. Holohan and Mrs. King (with the assistance from Jen from the Ansonia Library) brought a whale of a good time for our first graders. Each first grade class was able to estimate the length of a whale tail



and then measure it using manipulatives and themselves!

Even the adults joined in on the fun!!

Kindergarten had a visit from the Ansonia Nature Center. Since they are working on their animal unit, the Nature Center brought some of its animals for the students to touch.



NEXT PTO MEETINGS: January 3rd, 2024 @ 6 pm

Important Dates:

12/14 & 12/15: Holiday Gift Shop for kids to purchase gifts for family and friends

12/16: Santa vs. the Grinch, 11 am - 1 pm Photo event with games, snacks and crafts

12/18: Holiday Gift Shop Bonus day so kids who missed the first 2 get a chance to go

12/21: Baked goods pick up day. 6 pm - 8 pm

Box Top app: sign up under Mead School, & snap your receipt each time you grocery shop. Use referral code: **TQKE7GJD**

School Store

January 12

***Subject to change**



Kozies for Kiddos is Back!
A Little Kindness Goes A Long Way!

It's that time of year again and as part of our "Kindness" unit, the students in the ABA/Life Skill classroom at Mead School are looking to collect 350 pairs of pajamas for students in need by Friday, December 15th. During this joyous time of year, the students in my room thought it would be nice for all kiddos to have a warm, cozy pair of pajamas to wear on Christmas Morning. Please help us to achieve our goal of collecting 350 pairs of new pajamas for girls and boys in grades Pre K- 5th. These pajamas will be distributed to families before Christmas break.

Starting Wednesday, November 1st, all donations can be brought to the ABF/Life Skill classroom. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

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*Thank you in advance for your Generosity and Kindness-
Happy Holidays!*

12/14, 12/15 & 12/18: Holiday Shop

12/15/23 - Dress Down - suggested donation \$1
Kozie for Kiddos donations due

12/16/23 - Santa vs. Grinch - 11 am - 1 pm

12/18/23 - 12/22/23 - Spirit Week - \$2 to participate for the week

12/19/23 - Winter Concert

Grades K - 2 : 9 am - 10 am

Grades 3 - 5 : 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

12/22/23 - Early Release - Dismissal @ 12:15 pm

12/25/23 - 1/1/24 - Winter Recess - no school

1/15/24 - MLK Jr. Day - no school

1/17/24 - Ms. Snider goes to Prendergast

Mrs. Lawlor comes to Mead for Life Skills

WINTER CONCERT

❄ Grades K-2: 9 - 10 am
Grades 3-5: 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Tuesday,
December 19, 2023
Mead School Cafeteria

Mead School Families ONLY
Must show ID to enter