



# Oct./Nov. 2021 Newsletter

## Falling into Gratitude



Hispanic Heritage Month was a huge success!! Thank you to everyone who participated

in all the different activities. And a special thank you to Ms. Fowlin for putting this amazing week-long activity together.



Ms. Testi's 2nd grade class, Mrs. McMahon's 3rd grade class, and Mrs. Muller's Kindergarten class dressed up to show their spirit.

### Winner of the Door Decorating Contest

Ms. McPherson's class won the Door Decorating Contest. Each flag has a corresponding QRC code

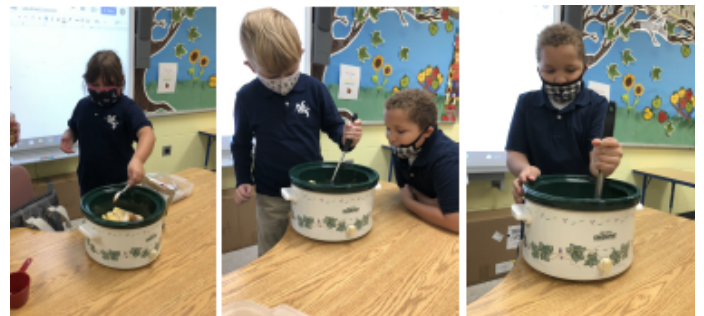


that brings you to a Google Slideshow about that country. They won an ice cream party! Special shout out to Mr. Chester's door which was a close second!



### Highlights from Lifeskills

Mrs. Hydar's Lifeskills class has been working hard! Between learning about and carving Pumpkins and all about apples they also managed to have a fun time and make some food as well!



## STEAM Space



Mead's Maker Space is coming along. The students are so excited to start more hands-on activities that they convinced Miss Parker to open

some of her Amazon Wish List or DonorsChoose donations and 'test' the 3D pens, Bunch 'ems, Legos and their creativity. There is an



after school program that started in November for all grade levels. Another one will start in the Spring - please see the Parent Square Mr. Durand sent out for more information and

stay tuned for more pictures!

## Mead School Goes Pink

This year marks Mead School's 3rd year partnering with Valley Goes Pink. There were some great fundraisers and spirit days planned from tattoos and bracelets to crazy hair/socks. Friday was the grand pie throwing event for the classroom who raised the most money. Ms. Zambetti won for the second year in a row.



We sold all the bracelets and tattoos. We helped raise over \$1000 for Griffin Breast Cancer Research. Even Ms. Cosciello got 'pie'd this year. A great time was had for a great cause. Students in Ms. Zambetti's class painted pumpkins and donated them to Griffin Hospital. Thank you to all the volunteers who got 'pie'd.

## Halloween Fun

While the Halloween parade was still live streamed and inside, it was still great to see all the costumes and students cheering one another on. The costumes every year get more and more creative and intricate.

Trunk or Treat was a HUGE success!! We had over 50 cars decorated which made it difficult to choose the winners!! Thank you to all who decorated their cars, donated candy, and helped this event run smoothly! We could not have done it without you!!

The winners of the car decorating contest were:



Pandora, Jurassic Mead, Barber Shop of Horrors, and Pokemon - Gotta Catch 'em all.

## PTO Corner

We had our second successful Restaurant Fundraiser with the Italian Pavilion. Reminder if you ordered pies from the Pie Fundraiser: please pick up your pies November 17th from 5:45pm - 7pm. Thank you again for helping support our students, staff, and school.

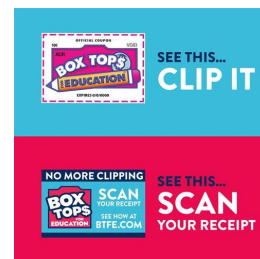
Mead School and the PTO will be collecting non-perishable items to benefit Spooner House. Please bring in donations before November 19.



Have you seen the beautiful plantings by the new sign? Mead PTO has worked tirelessly to update and make our entrance more welcoming. Koko even made an appearance for the 'grand reveal'.

**NEXT PTO MEETING: December 1st at 6 p.m.**

Want to help fundraise but don't have the time? Get the Box Top app!! Once you sign up under Mead School, snap your receipt each time you grocery shop and watch the \$\$ add up. Use referral code: **C3DQ44DS**



Want to join the PTO? Have questions? Ideas? Contact PTO @ [ptomeadschool@gmail.com](mailto:ptomeadschool@gmail.com)

## Spirit Week

November's Spirit Week was all about Gratitude as November is Gratitude Awareness month. Students and staff alike really got into it! The rivalry of sports teams is real at Mead School. Mrs. Houston's class had an age-old rivalry between the Red Sox and Yankees but they worked through it and continued to learn. Mrs. Cook showed up for mismatched day sporting Derby and Ansonia gear - another local rivalry. It is all in good fun and December's Spirit Week will be even more 'spirited'.



## Upcoming Events

**November 22 - 23 - Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher Conferences**

**November 24 - 26 - Thanksgiving Break - No school**

**December 1 - PTO Meeting @ 6 p.m.**

**December 13 - 17 - Holiday Boutique**

**December 15 - Puzzle Night**

**December 20 - 23 Holiday Spirit Week**

**December 23 - Early Release**

**December 24, 2021 - January 2, 2022 Winter Break**

**January 3 - School resumes**

**January 14 - 2nd Marking Period Ends**

**January 17 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School**



**January 18 - Life Skills resumes! Welcome back Mrs. Lawlor!!**

**February 18 - 21 - Winter Break**