



GOOD NEWS WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 14, 2018

High School

Last week Mrs. Geeta Barde's Anatomy class joined forces with art teacher, Mrs. Jessica Martin, for a STEAM cross-curricular project. The Histology unit involves microscopic observations and drawings of stained slides of human tissues followed by investigation of their locations and roles in the human body. Each student picked a favorite tissue and turned it into a work of art, drawing inspiration from different aspects of everyday life. Students learned about Impressionism and Pointillism, and created watercolor paintings in this style.

A number seniors received offers of admission from Salem State University and Southern New Hampshire University through an "On the Spot" admissions event hosted by the guidance department on Thursday, December 6. Members of our senior class have also started to receive early action acceptances from many other colleges, such as Northeastern, Regis, Quinnipiac, Curry, the University of Maine and Plymouth State University. Congratulations, seniors!

On Wednesday evening, the SHS Acapellas, the Spartan Chorale and bands performed a wonderful concert of varied musical selections to display their wealth of talent. Mr. Macero was the guest conductor for the band performance of *Sleigh Ride*.

Central Middle School

Deanna's Educational Theatre performed the play *Bus Stop* for our fifth grade students. *Bus Stop* is an interactive play that addresses bullying and cyberbullying. The performance was well received by students and staff. Thank you to the Stoneham Alliance against Violence for sponsoring the play.

Pajama day was a huge success as middle school students raised over two thousand dollars for Holiday Helpers. The students were able to wear pajamas if they made a five dollar donation. All donations went to the Holiday Helpers of the PTO. The donations are used to purchase Holiday gifts for Stoneham Middle School families who may be facing hardships during the holidays. Holiday Helpers and the PTO have been helping Stoneham families for more than thirty years.

Eighth grade French students submitted poems in the style of Guillaume Apollinaire's *Calligrammes* as part of a creative writing contest sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French. Several eighth graders are also pursuing independent French projects as required for induction to the SCMS chapter of the French honor society, *Jeunes Amis du Français*, this spring.

Colonial Park

Our second grade teachers, Ms. Heisey and Ms. Verity are piloting a new reading program, Fountas and Pinnell classroom this year. They have been working diligently to prepare and implement all the components of the program. Students are loving the stories and nonfiction books. We have been so impressed with the progress of our second grade readers!

Robin Hood

Parent/Teacher Conferences were a huge success, and we are grateful to our Robin Hood parents for their continued support of what we do here each day. We also would like to extend a huge thank-you to the PTO and Room Parents for their organization of each classroom's raffle basket. The baskets were exceptional, and the PTO raised over \$2400 through ticket sales. Congratulations to our lucky winners!

Through Donors Choose, Ms. Lazar was able to purchase a horseshoe shaped white board table for her students. Up to eight students are now able to join Ms. Lazar in a small group and complete calculations and problem solving directly on the table using dry erase markers! Thank you to all the donors who helped fund this extraordinary teaching tool.

South School

Students that were "Caught being.." last week were: Raul, Ernesto, Nathan, Emily, Callum, and Michael.

Our first graders had a great time during a science enrichment program by the Discovery Museum! Each class got a hands-on opportunity to explore sound!

We are getting ready for next week's Spirit Week! Numerous activities are planned including a whole school trip to the IMAX as a reward for the amazing Fun Run fundraising! Superintendent Macero will also be here next week to read to our students!

Job Opportunities

The Stoneham Public Schools has the following vacancies:

Speech Language Pathologist – Part Time – High School
Long Term Substitute – Life Science
Hall Monitors at the High School

If you or someone you know is interested, please apply on SchoolSpring or jobs@stonehamschools.org. If you are interested in substituting as a teacher in Stoneham, please contact Kelly Services at 781-229-2042.