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MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MAY 2014

EARTH DAY 2014

Be on the lookout for Andalusia school to be getting beautiful! The middle school has been working hard to clean up and plant flowers to make Andalusia cleaner and prettier. The students learned more about Earth Day in all their subjects and teachers Sister Kym and Sister Lois took the 6th graders outside for hands on learning. The students cleaned up, planted, and learned how to take care of their home. There were follow up academic activities and the students had a great time learning.

STATE EXAMS:

Students in middle school took Math and ELA state exams in April and May. They will continue working on Common Core State Standard coursework in preparation for next year. 8th grade will have their science performance test on May 28th and their Science Written State Test on June 2nd, 2013

SPORTS DAY:

This year sports day will be on May 19 and 20. The students will have fun and play sports both in the gym and on fields in Yonkers. Middle school teachers will be the gym teachers for the day. Keep a watch for pictures to follow in June's newsletter.

Plant a Flower Day:

May 7th elementary, middle, and high school students will be involved in this great event. Middle and High School students will help elementary students do their planting, and complete other related tasks assigned to them that day.



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

On May 15, students who qualify for the National Junior Honor Society will be inducted in a beautiful ceremony by the President and Vice President of the

National Junior Honor Society. Parents will receive an invitation and are welcome to come to the ceremony and celebrate with us.

Food Drive hosted by the NJHS was a huge success. Alhamdulillah the Food that was donated by parents, students, and staff was sent to the Yonkers Islamic Center in Yonkers NY. Thank you for your contribution.

Middle School Talent Show: We are planning to have our second annual Talent Show Thursday June 19 from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. Participating in a talent show gives students recognition for their aptitudes. It also provides character-building lessons during tryouts, practice, and performance. This is a wonderful teambuilding experience for middle school students and a great way to integrate amongst different academic subjects. We will also have questions during the show, audience will get a chance to participate and winners will get a prize.

Please enjoy the following poems and paragraphs by 6th graders

<p>Our Earth needs our help And we need to help it fast The ozone layer is vanishing The past is in the past We have many things to do Before it's too late Don't hold it back anymore And pass the plate This Earth is so corrupted I can't even begin to explain Be a leader, stand up for what's right We are acting as if we are tied up in chains 20 years from now it won't matter what shoes you had on What will matter is what you did to make the world a better place SO LET'S MAKE A CHANGE!!!</p> <p>By Aidah Masoud, Thaiba Sherwani, Samera Baksh</p>	<p>Yesterday was Earth Day and 6th grade went outside and planted some plants and cleaned our school. We learned that it's always good to get your hands dirty and clean up our environment. We found a place where a plant was growing and we wanted to make it better. We planted some more plants, helped turn over the soil, and added fresh soil. Then we watered all the plants. It felt good to be helping our school and the environment. Other classes will be planting more plants around our school on May 7.</p> <p>By Hamza Giljic</p>
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<p>When we are very mean Earth is not clean Please help the Earth When I look up in the sky The pollution makes me cry I don't know why people don't listen to the signs They can't use their own minds. Everyone will be surprised Because we're not on Earth's side Please help the Earth!</p> <p>By Amir, Hamid, Khalid, Yazed</p>	<p>When I look up at the sky Don't you see it so polluted? Looking up at it Makes me feel diluted.</p> <p>Everyone together Can make a big change By working side by side Surely our hard work could ever make a grange</p> <p>Watching smoke gag the sky I just can't help but wonder why That it just always makes me want to cry Seeing Mother Nature die.</p> <p>We could just imaging a bright blue sky And the sun that shines over Makes it hard for us to deny That we made Mother Nature as creepy as a dutch clover</p> <p>Be a leader Do it right We altogether To uncover the light</p> <p>By Khadijah Kamal and Manaal Ahmed</p>
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Upcoming Dates:

- Friday May 9th: Student of the Month Ceremony and MS Bake Sale
- Thursday May 15th: NJHS Induction Ceremony at 9:30 a.m.
- Monday and Tuesday May 19th and 20th : Middle School Annual Sports Days

- May 28th: 8th Grade Science Performance State Test
- June 2nd: 8th Grade Science State Written Exam
- Monday June 16th: 8th Grade Graduation Trip
- Thursday June 19th: 9:30 a.m. Middle School Annual Talent Show
- Tuesday June 24th Middle School Academic Awards Ceremony 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday June 25st: 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony 11:00 a.m.
- Friday June 27th: Last Day of School, Report Card Distribution