

HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2017

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- This week our Manhattan Charter School 2 After-School program tapped into they're creative side and made abstract stain glass pictures. The participants used crayons drew different kinds of shapes in different patterns to create their own unique pieces. They were then given a border made out of construction paper so they can be put on display in the office.
- This week, we received six new applicants for Camp Henry Day Camp.
- In Basic ESOL class, we learned continued to discuss housework and learned vocabulary about household problems. The students viewed pictures of various household problems (such as clogged drains and no heat) and discussed possible solutions. In our ESL 1 Job Readiness class we practiced doing a group interview and talked about why certain occupations were and weren't good for participants.
- From our HSE classes at our Workforce Development Center, TASC testers did their last furious studies this week in preparation for this weekend's first test. The REES outreach enrollment session brought in three registrants. The HSE class at Cornerstone continued developing math skills in measurements using the English and Metric systems aligned with math and science on the HSE exams. Also, the class focused on the uses of math using scientific formulas. In SS the class wrapped up Civics and Government and did a Civics and Government review quiz.
- This week, JET member and YAIP graduate JM, completed a 5-week IT training program and graduated one of the top of the class. He has now begun his 14-week internship as IT Support through Per Scholas.
- This week in Early Childhood we moved into our brand new state of the art kitchen. The kitchen staff is excited to use the new facility to prepare yummy meals for the children and teachers
- In YAIP, Cohort 17a graduate Marcus G. completed his internship as the Most Valuable Employee of the season back in February. He interned in a maintenance position for three months with YAIP, and with the skills he learned about communicating his qualifications to employers, Marcus just successfully landed a job with an exciting, new cleaning company, Managed by Q. Marcus started his first day on Wednesday and could not be happier.
- This week at P.S. 20, all units honored St. Patrick's Day in their own unique way. Our Pre-k classes got creative with paper plates, crayons and a cut out pot of gold to represent Irish luck and good fortune. Units K/1A and 2B made Leprechaun puppets using cut outs, yawn, markers, and fasteners to keeping their joints in motion! When not celebrating St. Patrick's Day, our 3rd-5th graders became mad scientists! Unit 3A and 4B made Hoop Gliders, while learning about balance and drag. Unit 4/5A made exothermic reactions using yeast and hydrogen peroxide to possibly alter temperature change.
- This week at AGL our sophomores went on an awesome ice skating trip at Prospect Park before enjoying a March SNOW DAY! We also ran a freshmen and sophomore lunch group, which provided a safe space for our students to find commonality among their peers and support each other in a meaningful way.
- This week at OCA we hosted students from Tomkins Square Middle School for a high school tour in preparation for the second round high school application process. In addition, student ambassadors and teachers attended the citywide round 2 high school fair to recruit additional students for our incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade class.
- This week, the MSSC held open hour meetings with parents during UNMS Parent-Teacher Conferences on Wednesday and Thursday. For 6th and 7th graders, we informed parents on the timeline for the HS articulation process. For 8th grade parents, we addressed questions and concerns regarding the 2nd Round process.

- At our UNMS After-School program, we held an all star skills challenge, which included 3 point shooting, half court shooting, lay ups, passing and obstacle course challenges.
- At our after-school program at Manhattan Charter 1, Unit 1 participants created "usual" or "unusual" fish. They were each given white paper along with different color pencils. They were told to draw regular fish, or fish with human like qualities. Some of the participants drew fish with top hats, bow ties, and some even gave them names. The activity was fun for everyone because they were able to learn about personification, something they picked up very easily. In Unit 2 we had an exciting creative dance session with Ms. Carina from the Abrons Arts center. Unit 3 continued to work on their positive action activities! Participants were split into three groups where they were given the task of answering 10 questions that required them to use their surrounds to find the answers.
- This past week at our Cornerstone Evening Program, we had our third Comedy/Performance class from Abrons art class. One of our high school students had a private lesson to work on his school's play performance that is coming up next month.
- This week at the Boys and Girls Republic After-School Program, the citizens of 1B learned about St. Patrick's Day and made their own St. Patrick Day attire during visual arts. Unit 3A continued to work on their Family Tree projects, and Unit 3B put the finishing touches on their solar system mobile. On Monday, volunteers from Credit Suisse visited our site to host a laser tag event for our older citizens.
- Last week, the BGR SONYC LIT's continued to work on their Young Citizens Competition submission. They finalized their call to action and have moved on to creating the video submission in the hopes of getting selected as a finalist. On Wednesday, volunteers from Credit Suisse came to host an athletic field day with the citizens.
- This week at the Jacob Riis Cornerstone After-School Program, Unit 2 participated in an engineering challenge during their Staff Choice activity. Using only toothpicks and marshmallows, the participants were challenged to create the tallest structure possible. If the structure collapsed under its own weight, they were disqualified. During KidzLit this week, Unit 3 read the story "Chrysanthemum", the tale of a young girl who was teased by her classmates about her name. By the end of the story, Chrysanthemum grew to like her name and the other students learned it is not ok to tease others.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*	March 18-19	High School Round 2 Fair	OCA
*	March 20	OCA Attendance Trip to Chelsea Piers	
*	March 22	Open House for OCA	
*	March 24-27	Expanded Horizons Undoing Racism Training	
*	March 30	Women's History Month Sharing	PS 134
*	March 31	Success Trip to Boston College BLS "Her Prom" essay questions due	
*	April 6, 7	PGC Spring Retreat	BLS
*	April 7	EES Spring Retreat – All Programs Closed	
*	April 10	School Holiday Spring Break Camp Begins	BGR/PS 20
*	May 9	Community School Forum	BLS
*	May 16	Blood Drive	BLS
*	May 18	Production of Grease	BLS