

### Thurgood Marshall Elementary School

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### Important Dates

4/1: Day of Autism Acceptance 4/6: Delayed Opening In-Service 4/11 to 4/14: TMES "Spring Has Sprung" Spirit Week 4/14: 3rd Marking Period Awards Assembly 4/14: Half Day 4/15 to 4/22: School Closed - Spring Break 4/25: Earth Day Exhibit 4/26 to 4/28: Half Days - Parent **Teacher Conferences** 5/2 to 5/6: NJSLA. Grade 3 Only



# The S.S. TMES Nautical News

NAVIGATING OUR STUDENTS' JOURNEY TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS...

### **CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE**



Greetings Thurgood Marshall Families,

The S.S. TMES is surely "SAILing to Success"!

Thanks to the planning of our staff and the support from our families, the winter months held some fantastic occasions for our school, including our 1st Family Fun Dance, Black History Month program, 2nd Marking Period Awards Assembly, and a few exciting Spirit Weeks.

The goal of our Thurgood Marshall Elementary School Family is to focus on the **development** and

**education** of the *whole child* through a student-centered approach. We have been able to work with our students to ensure they build their own self-awareness and self-confidence, which is so important. As an educational team, we are dedicated to ensuring academic excellence and holding high expectations to guarantee that each and every student has a *successful*, *enriching*, *and fun* learning experience in <u>our</u> school.

With the last marking period of the school year upon us, please know that our staff are committed to creating a **safe** and **positive** learning environment where **responsible** and **respectful** behavior is modeled each day to provide each student the <u>best</u> learning opportunity.

As we head into the spring season, I find myself *incredibly grateful* to spend my days with our students aboard the S.S. TMES. On behalf of the TMES Team, we are all looking forward to the exciting events that we will be providing for you and your child in the upcoming months. It's going to be a fantastic time of year!

Respectfully,
Dr. Lauren Jackson
Principal





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# SEL Day By Jory Artis, Guidance Counselor



Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Day at TMES kicked off at with <u>positive affirmations</u> during our morning announcements. **Mind Your Mind Organization** presented an assembly for our K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, focusing on *kindness, self-awareness, feelings, and empathy*.

Teachers and students participated in a **variety** of classroom activities which centered on strengths *and challenges, managing emotions, kindness, compassion, and responsibility*. Mindfulness music was played during both lunch periods. **Dr. Tatum Stein** visited our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and provided yoga and mindfulness sessions.

We are fortunate to have wonderful scholars and stakeholders here at TMES!



Congratulations to our February Staff Member of the Month, Ms. Regina Jagoo!



In honor of Read Across America, Ms. Schwarz's 1st Grade music classes put on a presentation for our Preschool students by reading and rapping "Green Eggs and Ham." *The children had so much fun!* 

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### Ms. Badillo's 1st Grade Class

Mrs. Badillo's class has been hard at work on our informative stories about our favorite ocean animal. We had fun creating an ocean scene from a paper plate and goldfish. We are looking forward to the warm weather coming back again so we can get back outside to the playground where we always have so much fun.

We had a wonderful time celebrating Valentine's Day with lots of delicious treats. Celebrating the 100th Day of School was a lot of fun with many different activities and the making of a 100th Day of School trail mix





# Grade 2, Ms. Grippaldi

Our second grade has worked hard on their Thurgood Marshall monument. All students contributed to the project and the hallway displays. We learned all about Thurgood Marshall's impressive accomplishments. We will be singing a beautiful tribute song to him in the Black History Program.

We also having been learning about some famous African Americans for Black History Month. Some of the peo-

ple we have learned about are, Arthur Ashe, Fred Jones, Elijah McCoy, Colin Powell, Bessie Coleman, Condolezza Rice, Garrett Morgan, John Lewis, Matthew Henson, and Barbara Jordan, just to name a few!

In ELA, we have been reading all types of different genres. Students are loving the comical, "Click, Clack Moo, Cows That Type." Not only is the story hysterically funny but there is a wonderful lesson to be learned.

In math we are learning problem solving, place value, number patterns, and so much more! School is so fun!



# S.S. TMES SETS SAIL FOR PBIS!



Our PBIS School Team, which consists of Ms. Artis, Ms. Cortes, and Ms. Hamilton, kicked off our PBIS Program in February! Students are able to get tickets each day, as many times as they earn! Students enter one weekly ticket for a drawing each Friday and use the rest of the earned tickets to "buy" prizes in our PBIS Store, which is located in Room 218. Some students are choosing to "bank" their tickets to spend on a GRAND PRIZE!

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# TMES Celebrates Read Across America Day!

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# 100th Day of School



On February 15th, our students celebrated <u>THE 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL</u>! Our teachers took advantage of the opportunity to make the day exciting for all students by refining their math skills through the creation of different games and activities centered around this very important number!

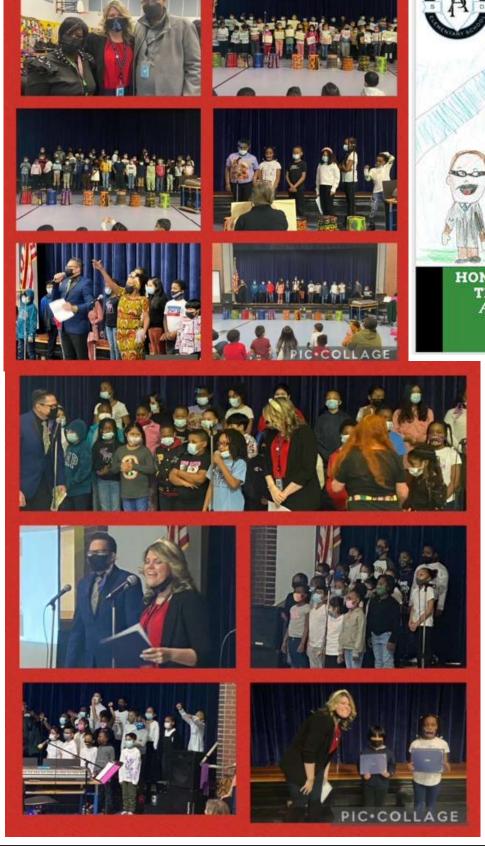
Staff and students "Dressed to Show 100" by wearing in hats, glasses and canes or creating shirts with 100 "things" on it. Students created self-portraits to illustrate the not-so-subtle differences between an 8-year-old and a centenarian. The students learned that mathematics goes well beyond being able to count to 100!

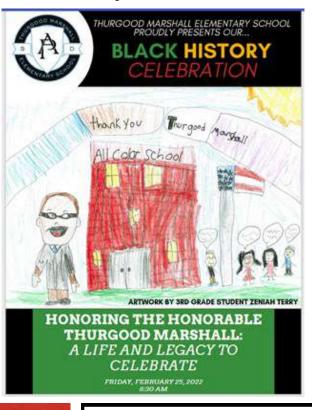
# Wearing Green for St. Patrick's Day!



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# TMES Celebrates Black History Month





During the months of January and February, our students honored Black History Month by completing a STEAM Challenge about the Honorable Thurgood Marshall. The students researched all about the different aspects of Thurgood Marshall's life and presented the information they learned through songs, poems, and skits.



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# TMES After School Fun By Tiffeny Andrews

Our STEAAM program is in **full effect**! We are studying our letters in Kindergarten and our 1<sup>st</sup> graders are exploring ways to present different writing genres. *It's beginning to look a lot like Spring!* 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and Preschool classes are <u>beautifying</u> our lobby with blossoms and butterflies!

Stay tuned...3<sup>rd</sup> graders are in the mud! Gardening 101 with Ms. Morris coming soon!



## Dr. Adams Visits Ms. Hamilton's Class

Ms. Hamilton's Kindergarten class had a **very special visitor!** During a building visit, Dr. Adams, Superintendent of Schools, spent time with some of our youngest learners. The students were excited to have time with our Superintendent.





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