



March Newsletter

Find below all the information related to our activities for students and informative documents for our educators and other staff.

Afterschool HPCMS



Promoting Lifetime Learning:

Our wonderful 8th graders were given the opportunity to tour Stony Brook University so that they could better prepare themselves for college and future careers and gain access to higher-quality education.



Delighting Students:

Our program collaborated with Hunters Point to support the March Madness Basketball Fundraiser! Students were invited with families to participate in various sports to support the community and received free books for their literacy enrichment club!

Early Childhood



During Black History Month, our 3K for All Students explored their beautiful uniqueness. The teachers scaffolded lessons on “Building” homes and communities to extend their learning on how “Everyone is Beautiful”. Together with the teachers, students crafted “colored skies and skyscrapers” of Life in the City and painted Rainbows reflecting “We are a Rainbow of beautiful colors”. The story highlighted for the Mini lessons and 3K Study of Unit Projects was “All People are Beautiful” by Vincent Kelly, Illustrated by Cha Consul.

Afterschool PS280Q



Last month, here at P.S. 280, students took part in Black History Month, in which they participated in a lot of learning activities. This month is Women's History Month, so there will be a lot of activities for students to take part in. Women's History Month is a time to remember and celebrate the things that women have done and contributed throughout history. Women's History Month aims to draw attention to the often-overlooked achievements of women in fields like politics, science, art, and literature, as well as to the ongoing fight for gender equality.

Some of the kindergarteners will create Frida Kahlo-inspired paintings, Rosa Parks bus crafts, and Amelia Earhart plane crafts based on the books they read. Students in our fifth-grade class will be reading "Great Women Who Changed the World" and will pick someone from the book who they are interested in researching and present it to the class.

82nd Street Academics @ P.S. 280 is giving a big welcome to our newest member, Ms. Catherine Tacuri, who is the Kindergarten Assistant Coach. She comes from an Ecuadorian family. She has been working with children for almost 4 years at a summer camp, and she also did peer mentoring for 5th graders.



Afterschool 8110



We would like to announce our new partnership starting this month at 82nd Street Academics. Vision Education & Media - Robofun brings a new and fun way to use technology. Students in 4th and 5th grade will be introduced to SPIKE Robotics.

Students will engage in a series of project-based activities where they will learn to design, construct and program several interactive and autonomous robots using LEGO Spike Prime. They will be introduced to sensors that will allow their robots to respond to

stimuli such as colors and obstacles.

As a culminating event, students may participate in tournaments and games, such as navigating a maze. By the end of the program, students will take pride in their ability to design, build, and program their own robot.

The Renaissance Charter School



The Renaissance Charter School Afterschool students had a successful trip to Stony Brook University over the Midwinter break. 8th and 9th grade Students were able to visit the campus and engage in a scavenger hunt on campus that gave them the opportunity to speak with students that attend the University.

We are looking forward to our upcoming college trip in April!