P.S. 165Q Gifted & Talented

Newsletter - June 2017

Kindergarten--Mrs. Ryan

We are stepping up to first grade! We have been working hard to meet our goals, act and work just like a first grader. What an amazing year it has been! We have learned how to read, how to write, how to recognize and count numbers up to 100! We have learned about trees, wood, paper and fabric, doing awesome science experiments. We have learned about being a citizen, important symbols to our countries, other places and people in the world and how we are alike and how we are unique. We have had an amazing time with Tae Kwon Do, learning about focus and our inner strength. We were able to see amazing shows and take amazing trips. This month we are looking forward to Field Day, Dance Festival, School Carnival and of course, our Kindergarten Stepping Up ceremony and celebration on June 20th. I look forward to seeing you all there to help us celebrate each child's achievement this year! It has been a pleasure watching each student grow and achieve this year!



First Grade--Ms. Wu

Nine months of fun, joy, and hard work has come to pass! Class 1-200 has grown so much as readers, writers, mathematicians, and classroom citizens. We have learned and taught each other an amazing deal: From researching independently, developing our own higher order thinking questions, to creating our own word problems, to working collaboratively, and so much more. Not only did we learn in class but we had so many awesome trips this year to enrich our learning. We are now on our last month of the 2016 - 2017 school year. It may be our last but it surely wouldn't be a boring one. We are still as busy as ever. There are so many things to learn and so much to look forward to before we move on to second grade.

There will be our annual dance festival and a school carnival! We have been having such a fun time learning our dance for our Lion King enrichment program! So to end the year with a bang, we will be having a Lion King performance to show off those amazing dancing skills! It has TRULY been a $\mathcal{BFAUTIFUL}$ year.

Lastly, thank you parents for your support throughout the year.



Second Grade--Mrs. Marks

Hip, Hip Horray...June is here...

And your children all deserve a great big cheer!

They wrote narratives, opinion pieces and informative essays.

They learned to be kind and respectful to each other and have fun when they play.

They read and shared their ideas about different books.

They found evidence in a text by taking a second look.

We were lucky to have Lego Robotics that helped us design and build

It was creative and our minds were filled.

We are ending the year with informative books: biographies about people who made great achievements.

The children are writing about these people and typing their writing for enrichment.

Your children were all *amazing* and eager to learn; they inspired me to be my best.

Have a great summer and get your rest.

Third Grade--Mrs. Barnett & Mrs. Walter

In 3rd grade, we have learned a lot of things this amazing school year. We've all worked very hard to prepare for everything from the beginning to learn, prepare for the state tests, and prepare for the 4th grade. We understand that the 4th grade will be very hard, but our teachers have taught us everything we need to know.

But as we near the end of the 3rd grade, we have had many fun activities taking place. Tae-Kwon-Do has been a very fascinating experience for all of us. It has helped us learn a lot about discipline and self-control. We are excited about the upcoming belt graduation. In addition, field day and the carnival are some exciting events that will be taking place soon. Mrs. Nealy has also been teaching us many things about the 3B's (Be Kind, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible). Throughout the school year, our teachers have been teaching us all about the 3b's as well. They encourage us to be more productive, and also to go above and beyond.

Thank you to Mrs. Barnett and Ms. Walter, they have prepared us for infinity and beyond!

By: Annie, Carter, Serena, and Erik H.



Fourth Grade--Mrs. Clyne-Davis & Ms. Isopo

As 4th grade comes to an end, it has been a blast with our friends as well as learning from our wise teachers. We're ready for the upcoming year where we're entering the grounds of fifth grade. Our teachers prepared us for not only for next year, but for the years beyond--teaching all the things we need to learn and also teaching us to be decent human beings.

But before the *marvelous* year ends, our teachers introduced us to magnificent programs. For The Start with Hello Program will be proudly presented on June 14. This program teaches us how to combat/fight back social isolation. There's also celebrations scheduled where we will share some of our best work with our parents including holding a Poetry Slam, and sharing our fantasies, legends and Respect for All Living Things scrapbooks. Our teachers have been constantly reminding us of the 3 B's (to Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be Responsible) and always make us feel like we're something special.

Thanks to Mrs. Clyne-Davis and Mrs. Isopo, we ARE something beautiful!

By: Jonathan Murdock and Jane Lim

Fifth Grade--Ms. Melenk

Throughout our years at PS.165Q, we have had an amazing time. At this school, we have developed lasting friendships and learned many new things. We have made many great memories, and now that we are at the end of our senior year, it's time to reflect on the things we learned and the memories we have created. Although we will miss everyone, we have to move on to our next stage of life, middle school.

We have a lot of memories to reflect on from our years here. There was the kindergarten trip to Greenwood Farm where we were able to experience farm life. In first grade, we had two class pets, which helped us understand that animals and people were interdependent. In second grade, our Carnegie Hall visit helped us understand how music links people together. In third grade, we were able to perform with recorders on the Carnegie Hall Stage. In fourth grade, we were part of the Solutionary Congress and learned about social/world issues such as deforestation and homelessness- we got to meet Jane Goodall. In fifth grade, we celebrated our last year here by playing violins on the Carnegie Hall Stage, attending the senior trip, and winning the Game Bus due to our exemplary class behavior.

Thank you for all the amazing times,

Jin K., Zachary C., Karen C. and Jie Xuan T