

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN EAST RUTHERFORD SCHOOLS



The McKenzie School Fourth Graders constructed replicas of land and water ecosystems, and learned other domain-specific words for ecosystems, such as biomes. In order to understand the components of each ecosystem, the students first studied the structure: community, population, and habitat. Each ecosystem shows a community, population, and habitat. The projects were completed collaboratively. It was a hands-on, cross curricular extravaganza! McKenzie students wrote informative essays, including main ideas, body paragraphs, transition words, and closing statements. They also used research skills from various sources and paraphrased their findings. All students enjoyed the convenience of typing reports using laptops! *Provided by Cory Scelsa. ###*



VEX IQ Bank Shot Robotics Competition

On Wednesday, March 2, 2016, twelve students from A.S. Faust School in East Rutherford participated in the South Bergen Jointure Commission's VEX IQ Bank Shot Robotics Competition at Memorial School in South Hackensack. Students spent their free time after school building, designing, and troubleshooting their robots, and in the end they were able to compete against local schools. A great time was had by all, and all of the students are excited to compete again next year. *Provided by Jessica Gerity. ###*



Super Reading

March is National Read Across America Month. East Rutherford Superintendent, Mr. Abate, came to read to Miss Anders / Mrs. Barone's Kindergarten class. He read a very funny story and the students greatly enjoyed it. Thank you to Mr. Abate for making learning fun! *Provided by Cory Scelsa. ###*



Read Across America was quite the celebration at East Rutherford's McKenzie School the week of February 29 through March 4, 2016.

The students were thrilled with their "Spirit Week" in celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Upon entering school for Dr. Seuss's birthday on Wednesday, March 2, the stu-

dents were greeted by Thing 1, Thing 2, and Dr. Seuss, compliments of Mrs. Machado, Ms. Casciola, and Mrs. Gagis.

Dr. Seuss has been so inspirational to all children across America and right here in our own school! The celebration of reading continued throughout March through the invitation of guest readers. *Provided by Cory Scelza. ###*



East Rutherford's McKenzie School Kindergarten students in Mrs. Narkiewicz's class celebrate George Washington's Birthday on February 22, 2016. *Provided by Cory Scelza. ###*



On February 3 and 4, 2016, Meliam Gonzalez RN, BSN from Hackensack University Medical Center's "TraumaRoo Program" visited McKenzie Elementary School. Pre-K to 1st Grade learned about "Playground Safety" and the proper way to call 911. All students in 2nd and 3rd Grades learned about "Bike Safety," the proper way to call for help, and to also know how seat belts keep us safe. McKenzie School 4th Graders learned about "Pedestrian Safety" by reinforcing walking safely and removing all distractions. *Provided by Cory Scelza. ###*