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North Campus
October Students of
the Month

Student	Rm./Act	
Jacqueline		
Castillo	104	
Cindy Cueva	107	
Trinity Lance	201	
Joseph Nieves	202	
Gabriela Montero	203	
Mc Afee Sheehan	204	
Elishia Vasquez	205	
Ashley Medina	206	
Angelee		
Caraballo	207	
Veronica Blair	208	
Jenilee Jaquez	210	
Maylynn		
Rodriguez	301	
Ethan Carrero	302	
Sara Rodriquez	303	
Alexia Pisano	304	
Shelsea		
Alcantara	306	
Jolie Richards	308	
Zariah Middleton	310	
Zariah Middleton	Art	
Jose Nieves	Music	
Austin Medina	Physical Ed	
Nicholas Scott-	0-1-	
Hearn	Science	
Raymond Alvarez	Technology	



**Robert Treat Academy Charter School** 

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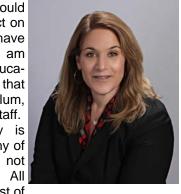
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## Our Principal's Message

## Dear Parents,

As the holiday season approaches, we should all take pause and reflect on the many reasons we have for giving thanks. I am grateful for being the educational leader of a school that is solid in facility, curriculum, students, parents, and staff. Our school community is healthy and happy. Many of you are aware, this can not be said of all schools. All schools have issues, most of



ours are routine. When an issue arises of a more serious nature, I am grateful I ALWAYS have the support of parents, staff, and students to assist me in resolving them.

Above all else I am grateful for the students of the Academy. They ground me and give me focus and purpose. Every success they have from achieving Student of the Month to being accepted into a prestigious high school is a reason for me to give thanks. Yes, at times they try my patience and make bad decisions. But we work through them together. My approach with them, regardless of their age, is they must have a part in coming up with a solution to whatever the issue is. "You caused the problem, you help solve it." Many solutions are quite inventive and helpful and some of them have given me a good chuckle.

The students of the Academy know how passionate I am about them being good people and good citizens of the school. They know this has equal importance to their academic success. We talk frequently about how hard it is to be a good person, how hard it is to make the right choices. It is not an easy task to be a Robert Treat Academy student. They really do try everyday to live up to my expectations for them. Their

## November 2010



# Central Campus October Students of the Month

Student	Rm./Act.	
Naazir Jackson	12	
Christopher Lewison	13	
Johaan Jimenez	14	
Moises Castillo	Music	
Nyla Gilliam	Physical Ed.	

efforts in being good citizens and in their academics gives me pause to be thankful.

Sometimes it is the little things most people would overlook as a reason to give thanks. Their greetings with a smile and a hug at the beginning and ending of each day are priceless blessings.

I know I can count on all of you to attend our November Parent Council meeting in support of our students who will be performing that evening.

Have a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

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**Principal** 

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## NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

CENTRAL

LEFT TO RIGHT AND BOTTOM TO TOP:

Row 1: NYLA GILLIAM AND NAAZIR JACKSON

Happy Thanksgiving

**Row 2: Christopher Lewison** 

**AND MOISES CASTILLO** 

**NORTH** 

**Row 3: Johann Jimenez** 





BOTTOM TO TOP AND LEFT TO RIGHT:

ROW 1: SARAH RODRIGUEZ, MAYLYNN RODRIGUEZ, ETHAN CARRERO, AND ZARIAH MIDDLETON,

ROW 2: TRINITY LANCE, JOSEPH NIEVES, SHELSEA ALCANTARA, GABRIELA MONTERO, ALEXIA PISANO AND JOLIE RICHARDS

ROW 3: MCAFEE SHEEHAN, VERONICA BLAIR, JENILEE JAQUEZ ELISHIA VASQUEZ, RAYMOND ALVAREZ AND JOSE NIEVES

ROW 4: ASHLEY MEDINA CINDY CUEVA, ANGELEE CARABALLO JACQUELINE CASTILLO, AUSTIN MEDINA AND NICHOLAS SCOTT-HEARN

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS-CYCLE I

## PRINCIPAL'S LIST

## Room 12C

Genesis Billips Nyla Gilliam

## Room 14C

Amaris Hernandez

## **Room 107**

Jorelle Montes Cindy Cueva Kahiya McDaniels

## Room 201

Indira Douglas

## Room 203

Balthazar Sheehan

## **Room 204**

Tiana Barkley Jayshawn Fuller McAfee Sheehan

## Room 206

Nayale Quimis

### **Room 207**

Angelee Caraballo Jaylin Lugardo Angelica maury Kiara Rodriguez Raquel Rodriguez Tara Rojas Scott Nicholas Scott Hearn

## **Room 208**

Aryana Mercado

## **Room 210**

Nicholas Ayala Jenilee Jaquez Christian Molina Asia Moore Katelynn Rodriguez Maurice Ware Daniel Gomes

### Edwin Ramirez

## **Room 302**

Sophia Figueroa Mariah Lopez

### **Room 304**

Kyla Butler Massa Godbold Melissa Martinez Laura Shipman

## Room 306

Amelie Bobadilla Ebony Marshall

### **Room 308**

Genesis Chalmers Rafael Cruz Kylee Lopez Milanis Rivas Jolie Richards Kamara Robinson Madison Serrano

## Room 310

Zariah Middleton Dru Strand Khalil Stalling



## HONOR ROLL

### Room 12C

Gabriely Acosta Victor Houbanov Richard Huang Carlos Martinez Brianna Morales Mia Smith

## Room 13C

Mark Yancey
Christopher Lewison
Jordan Jones
Gabriela Hueting
Kha'Marri Goodwin
Moises Castillo
Raven Burwell
Aria Watson
Sariah Richardson
Darrell Morton
Aaliyah Isahawk
A'Nyla Botts

## Room 14C

Camila Zambrana
Mekhi White
Zion Ruffin
Isis Pabon
Shayla Miller
Desiree Johnson
Johann Sevillano
Jimenez

### **Room 104**

Jacqueline Castillo Taylor Leake Ivan Morales Sarah Ramos William Rebolledo Alejandro Sheppard

## **Room 107**

Wilberto Fernandez
Marlon RodriguezLopez
Thomas Villafane
Martina Brooks
Gloribel Hernandez
Ebony Hubbard
Sumayah Medlin
Bryanna Mercado
Aubree Phillips
Samaiyah Quddus
Rocio Solorzano

#### **Room 201**

Emily Acosta
Raymond Alvarez
Briana Berrios
Nicholas Carrero
Amari Charles
Elisha Godbold
Tatiana Rodrigues
Sebastian Santiago
Eric Showers
Rubien Torres

## **Room 202**

Kevin Paladines Henry Suchite-Rodriguez Brianna Hawley Amber Rua John Martinez

## **Room 203**

Michael Caceres
Jordan Geronimo
Emely Gomez
Tyrone Lee
Caleb Moten
Narena Nerahoo
Leah Ramos
Torrian Smith
Camille Strand

## **Room 204**

Marc Balacuit
Giancarlo Calle
Alana Garcia
Vanessa Goez
Liza Grier
Maria Montero
Joel Ramos
Rocio Uzeta
Lamara White
Lyandro Zuniga

## **Room 205**

Desiree Calderon Tatiana Nazario Paula Guzman

### **Room 206**

Freddy Ballester Ciara Cohen Gabriella Cruz Emiliana Geronimo
Jordan Hubbard
Gioncarlo Leon
Nasir Martinez
Ashley Medina
Rameses Minus
Madison Parrilla
Katherine Ramos
Monica Soto
Brianna Terrero

## **Room 207**

Joshua Diaz
Fernando Hernandez
Johnathan Morales
Ashley Pena
Joshua Pujols
Siraj Raheem
Anabelle Rodrigues
Enmannuel Thomas
Guerrero
Lenin Cruz
Ahjoni Wilson
Andrew Vazquez
Kevin Millan

#### **Room 208**

JaVon Anderson
Diego Cuevas
Justin Negron
Arthur Shipman
Isaiah Aldea
Veronica Blair
Jessie Bernardo
Lauren Pannullo

## **Room 210**

Brianna Martinez
Henry Negron
Matthew Aquino
Brandon Caceras
Krystal Feliciano
Kaylah Lee
Christian Marsette
Devin Nunez
Emmanuel Perez
Yaskary Rodriguez
Daniel Shipman
Josue Pichardo
Nia Tendencia

### **Room 301**

Maylynn Rodriguez Krystal Narvaez Elizabeth Ramos Gabriel Vega Zaida Lagarez

## **Room 302**

Stephanie Calle Jailene Guzman Julisa Marcano Ashley Camacho Juan Miranda Aaliyah Rivera

### **Room 304**

Alexandra Barbaran Elijah Douglas Sara Gonzalez Derek Gonzalez

## HONOR ROLL (CONTINUED)

Samantha Guaba Amour Henry Claryssa Martinez Emily Padilla Franchesca Perez Alexia Pisano Riayan Reyes Ahmani Robinson Marcus Santiago

# Room 306 Shelsea Alcantara Gabriela Celi Pamela Goez Kendra Harrell Juliana Rivera Janelle Rosario

**David Cueva** 

**Tristan Jones** 

# Room 308 Izabelle Herrara Joshua Lopez Rosemary Lopez Alec Perez Gabriel Quinde Nuri Raheem

Room 310
Ethan Anderson-Glover
Tamia Louissaint
Destiny Maury
Kiara Parham
Scott Quishpe



## Central Connection

Submitted by Mr. M. Trillo, Vice Principal



Let me begin by saying thank you to all the RTA Central parents for attending the parent confer-

ences last month. We had 100% attendance and that is a great sign of your commitment to your child's education. If you have any questions or concerns that you forgot to ask or address at the meeting, please make sure to contact your child's teacher immediately. If I can be of assistance, please give me a call or come by to see me in the office at your convenience. The teachers and staff are here to work with you to provide the best education possible for your child and with your continued commitment, I'm sure we will accomplish our shared goal.

I hope to see everyone at this month's Parent Council Meeting which will take place on Monday, November 22nd. I know Ms. Walker has been preparing a very special treat for all of our parents. This year all of the students in the school will be participating in the Thanksgiving themed program. I'm sure you have or will receive notices from Ms. Walker regarding this activity. Please follow the instructions and have the children here at the appropriate time so we may all enjoy the show that Ms. Walker and all the students have prepared. I hope to see you all there! I hope you and your family enjoy a safe and satisfying holiday.

## Build-A-Book

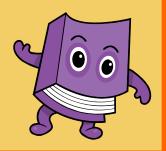
For all students in Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2 and 3



December 1 at North 6:00 until 7:30 PM

December 2 at Central 6:00 until 7:30 PM

Don't Miss out on the fun!



## Ready, Set, Test!

Submitted by Ms. S. Moje **Director of High School Placement** 

## 8th Graders Begin Standardized Tests For High Schools

dents will begin taking the first of several different stand- ready for the SSAT. ardized tests for the high school application process. Over an entrance exam for all Catholic High Schools in the dents are working very hard and are sure to be a success! Archdiocese of Newark. This lengthy exam serves as a preliminary application for Catholic schools and each student has his or her scores sent to three schools of their choosing. The test, which runs over four hours, examines verbal ability and quantitative skills, as well as logic and reasoning skills. Students will be spending the entire day in Montclair, as Immaculate has invited Robert Treat students to a private luncheon after the COOP exam.

Once this process is complete, different schools will be offering their own testing procedures throughout November and December. Young men applying to Seton Hall Prep will sit for a private entrance exam in mid November and so will students applying to Saint Joseph's High School. Science Park High School will be offering

their admissions test and several schools will offer scholarship exams in early December. Of course, the 8th grade is still preparing for the SSAT test, the admissions test for boarding and day schools, which they will take at RTA in mid-December. Test Prep classes are in full swing; twice a week during the school day, twice a week after school and Starting in early November, RTA's 8<sup>th</sup> grade stu- Saturday mornings, in order to make certain each student is

This is all in addition to their regular high school rethirty RTA students will go to Immaculate Conception High quirements, writing essays, filling out applications, and of School on November 5th in order to take the COOP exam-course, keeping their grades up in their classes. Our stu-



## We Will See You on November 22rd!!!

Everyone has the opportunity of increasing the percentage of attendance at Parent Council Meetings on Monday evening, November 22, 2010.

Both campuses will be holding their Parent Council Meeting in their respective schools on that date.

The meetings begin at 6:45 PM in the MultiPurpose Rooms.

Word has it that the students at both campuses have been working very hard to make this

meeting both meaningful and enjoyable.

Don't let students our down. They need your support.

	August	September	October
12C	86%	76%	
13C	100%	84%	
14C	83%	80%	Р
301	96%	76%	а
303	96%	92%	r
308	83%	80%	е
310	84%	72%	n
304	92%	88%	t
306	85%	76%	
302	88%	68%	С
203	80%	73%	0
201	92%	80%	n
202	78%	70%	f
205	80%	64%	е
208	80%	88%	r
204	84%	64%	е
206	84%	65%	n
207	84%	42%	С
210	84%	76%	е
104	79%	54%	s
107	92%	67%	
	86%	72%	





## All RTA Teachers Join Together to Fight Breast Cancer!

## Submitted by Mrs. Kelly-Kemple, Science Teacher

The teachers and staff at RTA Central and RTA North once again participated in the Lee National Denim Day to raise funds and awareness for breast cancer research and education. We celebrated five years of involvement by designing and wearing our own RTA pink shirts. We would like to thank Mrs. Cherchio for creating our unique logo. All of the teachers and staff were proud to wear pink and to contribute to such a good cause. Community service is an important element in our curriculum. In order to graduate, the students must complete 50 hours of community service work. The teachers are happy and willing to participate twice a year to fight breast cancer as their own community work. Our 8th grade teacher, Ms. Mekhsian said, "It makes us feel like role models for all the students". The total amount raised was \$427.00. We exceeded our goal by over \$100.00!!!







## A Haunted Gym?

### Submitted by Mr. A. Batlle, Physical Ed. Teacher Central

With the windows blacked out and nothing but the spooky lights shining around the room, Robert Treat Central's gym was transformed into The Haunted Gym and was filled with spooky fun stations that had the students showing their Halloween spirit! The stations were: Frankenstein Fitness, Bug Buzzzzarre, Rattle the Bones, Ghostbusters, Soccer Ghoul, Graveyard Bowling, Walk the Plank, and the famous Haunted House Tour! The

students were able to work on differentiated instruction and show off various skills they are capable of performing such as: overhand throwing, soccer (passing, shooting, trapping), underhand tossing, bowling, building up their cardiovascular and muscular endurance, and last, but certainly not least, their scooter skills. The week ended on a high note with the parents visiting to check out some of the Haunted Gym and the students' involvement in the Halloween parade followed by RTA's Trunk or Treat. What a great way to end the month of October!



FRONT TO BACK:
JANIBEL ESPINAL,
JAMIE HORNE AND
GABRIELY ACOSTA





JIBRIL SHUMATE-EDWARDS



BRIANNA MORALES, ROSELYNE VASQUEZ AND MIA SMITH

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITES:**

All activities work towards having friendly competitions among the students.



**Bowl A Rama** 





LIANA ZEMPARE, GAEL ZAMBRA-NA, RAVEN BURWELL AND GA-BRIELA HUETING

## WE CELEBRATED HALLOWEEN, MORE



## HALLOWEEN AND MUCH MORE HALLOWEEN!



## Central Kindergarten is a Busy Place!

### Submitted by the Central Kindergarten Team

The kindergarten class at Robert Treat Central is a very busy place! We have learned so much in the three months we have been at school. One of the best parts of our day is workshop. We separate into groups and visit different learning stations. Our favorites include computers, art, the listening center, reading, and writing. Last week, we read Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak. We then created our own wild things and wrote about what we would do if we were the leader of the wild things. In the listening center we get to read and create a book report about our favorite part of the story. One of the top picks this month was from A Pocket for Corduroy. The computer center is always enjoyable because we get to practice our reading and mathematics in SuccessMaker. Kindergarten at Robert Treat Academy is terrific!



## TES From the North Music Rooms

## Submitted by Mrs. Heinlein Wood, Music Teacher

The chorus has many pernext month. We are singing for the NWC Annual Gala on November 12<sup>th</sup>, then we will be singing at the chance to shine. NWC Baroni Event on November

23<sup>rd</sup>, and finally we will make an appearance at the second

grade Thanksgiving Play on November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Meanwhile in general music classes, the seventh formances to look forward to in the and Eighth Grades are learning how to play classical guitar. This requires a strong self-discipline and I am enjoying hearing students excel who, perhaps, haven't had a



## Seventh Grade Enjoying the School Year!

### Submitted by the Seventh Grade Team

The 7<sup>th</sup> graders have had a busy, fun, productive and exciting month here at Robert Treat Academy.

October 8<sup>th</sup> ended our first cycle and the 7<sup>th</sup> grade had an excellent start to the school year! 80% of 7<sup>th</sup> graders made either Honor Roll or Principal's List! These students have worked hard and deserve the recognition they have received, Congratulations and keep up the good work. Report cards were distributed directly to the parents the week of October 18. It was a pleasure to meet everyone and to discuss your children individually. We hope

that we can continue to work together so that your children can be provided with the best education.

In October, we also participated in our first service project of the year. We started our project learning about the New Jersey Community Food Bank, the people that they serve and about hunger in New Jersey. We shared our research with the entire community here at Robert Treat Academy

and they responded in force with food donations! On October 25<sup>th</sup>, we brought all of the food with us to the Community Food Bank of Hillside New Jersey as a donation. We donated a whopping 1,353 pounds of food, more than double our donation from last year! While we were at the food bank, we donated our time boxing and labeling bags of pasta. In just under two hours, we had boxed and labeled enough pasta to feed over 20,000 people! We are all very proud of our accomplishments at the food bank, and would like to thank the entire school for their generosity and for supporting our first service project in such a BIG way!

SEVENTH GRADERS AT THE FOOD BANK

US-A-MARINE
MARINE
MARIN

While we did work hard, both at school and on our service project, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade did take some time to enjoy themselves at the first dance of the school year. On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we all had a great time dancing in our costumes at the Halloween Dance. There were many unique and imaginative costumes and prizes were awarded for the most creative. The dance was a lot of fun and a well deserved break from the everyday routine.

## Come to the Book Fair!

The Book Fair will be held in the RTA North library on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday November 17, 18, 19, 22 and 23

All classes will be attending! RTA Central students will be bussed.

A schedule will be distributed as the Fair gets closer.

Parents will be able to attend on the evening of November 23rd

Books make great gifts!

## It's a Small World!

### Submitted by the Sixth Grade Team

The sixth grade students have been learning and writing about other cultures. They have been exploring cultures and customs of other societies in social studies as well as researching during their computer lab class. The students created posters with the information they found regarding their assigned country. The big question for this project was, "What is Culture" and "What forms does it take." The importance of this lesson was for the students to learn about specific cultures and to put it into the larger context of global cultures.

The United States is a diverse nation, reflecting the values and beliefs of many different groups of people. Many of us have roots in one or more culture and

therefore it is important that the students explore this cross-cultural idea for a better understanding of both their own culture and that of others. By studying cultures, we learn what it is like to be human.

The students looked for similarities to their own culture as well as for the differences that make a culture unique. They discovered that all cultures have histories and they are constantly undergoing change especially in the 21st century. This project was necessary in order to know that other people may view things differently than the way we view them. This prepares our students with the knowledge they will need to live in a multicultural society and world.



SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS PROUDLY DISPLAY THEIR PROJECTS.

L. TO R.: JAYSHAWN FULLER, JOEL RAMOS, LIZA GRIER, JIHAD MARSHALL AND ALANA GARCIA

## The Life of a Butterfly

### Submitted by the Fourth Grade Team

Grade Four Science Assignment: Use the steps of the butterfly life cycle to write a story. Below is the story written by Yamisha Branconiel.

## Mary's Journey: The Life of a Butterfly By Yamisha Braconiel Grade 4 HR 202



One perfect spring day, a mother butterfly laid an egg on a leaf. On that same day, a group of adult butterflies were taking flight for the first time. When almost all the butterflies took flight, the egg hatched. Inside was a very tiny caterpillar. Unfortunately, she was the only caterpillar around her

area. You see, mother butterflies do not lay more than one egg at a time.

Before she left, the mother butterfly told her little caterpillar, "Your name is Mary." The little caterpillar

said good bye to her mother knowing she was not going to come back. She sadly shed a tear, and then began her journey.

Mary's journey begins in a forest. Where it ends, no one knows yet. After crawling a couple of yards, Mary is hungry, and boy when she eats, she EATS!

All of a sudden, she grows a little bit. She's walking or crawling. All of a sudden, she bumps into the butterflies that took flight on the day she was born. They say, "You're the little caterpillar that was born on the day we took flight, right?" Mary said, "Yes."

The butterflies started to laugh at her. "You're supposed to be bigger than this! How long has it been? Twelve days?" Mary responded, "So what difference does it make? Soon enough I will be a full-grown butterfly." Then they told Mary, "If you're small now, that means you'll be small even when you're an adult butterfly!" Then they flew away, laughing at Mary.

One day Mary went into the chrysalis. Then, magic happened! After a while, she came out of the chrysalis. Her wings were a bright red and they were big – not puny like those other butterflies predicted they would be.

Mary laid a dozen eggs and waited for each one of them to hatch – just like her own mother did!

## Fate or Free Will?

Submitted by the Eighth Grade Team

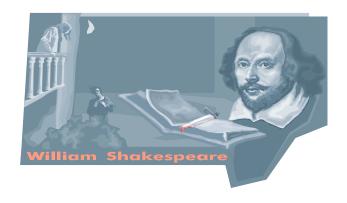
## Analyzing A Tragic Hero

This year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade was given quite a challenge early on in the year. Usually waiting until spring to introduce Shakespeare by teaching *Romeo and Juliet,* this year the teachers decided to push the 8<sup>th</sup> graders right from the start. Happily enough, every single student rose to the challenge and worked their way through Shakespeare's *Macbeth.* Not only did they read the play, they analyzed it act by act, scene by scene, through quote interpretation. Additionally, they took a close look at some of the tragic hero's most famous speeches, and then re-wrote them in more modern English. Want to know what the modern phrasing is for "Is this a dagger I see before me?" Just ask any 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, who can not only put it into their own words, but can also provide you insight as to the symbolism of the speech.

As if the reading and analyzing weren't challenging enough, students spent time developing their own theories as to whether Macbeth acted out of fate or free will. Each student will spend the beginning of November, drafting a formal paper, complete with a thesis statement,

evidence to support their thesis, and quotes from the text for support in order to argue for or against the role of fate and free will in the famous play. Shakespeare himself would be proud of these young literary scholars!

And what's ahead for these bright young minds? In the next few months, perhaps a trip to Macomb, Alabama through the pages of *To Kill A Mockingbird* and then maybe an exciting sea voyage, complete with that famed pirate Long John Silver in, the classic *Treasure Island*. Will Shakespeare be forgotten? Never...before the year is out, all 8<sup>th</sup> graders will meet the star crossed lovers of Verona and enjoy reading *Romeo and Juliet*.



## We're Learning a Lot in Third Grade!

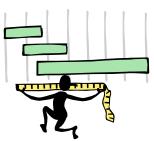
### Submitted by the Third Grade Team



The third grade has worked tremendously hard with figuring out all the bits and pieces of addition and subtraction in math jump into our next chapter, in class this month. We have learned how important it is to align the digits when adding ure lots of different items. The stuand subtracting, and when working with money, aligning the decimal points. The students reviewed the procedures for regrouping in a thermometer, and how to measorder to add and subtract correctly. In addition, they also learned how to approximate sums and differences by rounding the numrounded numbers. We have also practiced using the correct vocabulary for all terms as-

sociated with these mathematical procedures.

We are getting ready to which we will learn how to measdents will learn how to tell time. how to measure temperature using ure lengths, both in centimeters and inches, on a ruler.



At the very end of the chapter, we will also discuss bers and then adding or subtracting the how to find the area and perimeter of a rectangle and a square. Finally, we will complete a project about reading and interpreting bar graphs and pictographs.

## "It's the Great Pumpkin Patch, Kindergarten!"

## **Submitted by the Central and North Kindergarten Team**

friendly and informative staff along with a variety of farm hayride into the pumpkin patch. Along the way, we saw tunnel before getting back on the bus to school. apple trees, peach trees, tomato plants, and a strawberry patch.

each given a bag and were allowed to pick our very own How do you make 75 kindergarteners happy? pumpkin. We found out that just as no two children are the Take them on their very first Robert Treat Academy class same, no two pumpkins are the same. We each found a trip! On Tuesday, October 26, 2010, the kindergarten stu- pumpkin to our liking and then enjoyed an exhibit of the dents from the north and central campuses visited Alstede different crops grown on the farm. We were very excited to Farms in Chester, NJ. There we were greeted by the get back on the hayride and head off to the giant haystack.

One of our favorite highlights of the day was to animals. We met cows, horses, pigs, goats, chickens, and climb the giant haystack. We all managed to climb to the rabbits. The children enjoyed a picnic lunch and a glass of very top and enjoy a view of the farm from the highest fresh apple cider. After we filled our bellies, we took a peak. We were also delighted to crawl through the hay

The children enjoyed being together and meeting the students from both campuses. They look forward to When we arrived at the pumpkin patch, we were more adventures in kindergarten! We would like to thank our wonderful chaperones for helping us on our class trip.



## First Grade at Central Completes Project

### Submitted by Ms. Walker, Central Music Teacher

I would like to congratulate Robert Treat Academy's star students of the month. This proves been doing their best in music and every month it they are really working hard in class and trying to be gets harder and harder to choose a new Student of the best they can be.

This month, first grade has completed their first music project. They learned a song about ducks ue our musical experience this year. There is just and played a game with a feather that each child brought to school. They all came together and created four beautiful collages with ducks and feathers.

We had a great time working together as a team.

Kindergarten, first and second grade have the Month.

The students and I are very excited to continone thing that you should never forget and that is: "Without music, life is a journey through a desert!!!



1st row: Jamie Horne, Roselyne Vazquez, Elisania Lugo Peralta, ASAAD CROSS, JOSEPH GONZALEZ, NAAZIR JACKSON, OSAYONAMEN NOTERNWANTA, JOSHUA NEGRON, JOSEPH AMADO, RICHARD HUANG AND JEZIAH SANCHEZ

2ND ROW: WILLIAM ABOU-RIKJAI, CARLOS MARTINEZ, CRISTINA MARTINEZ, GABRIELLE JIMENEZ, JANIBEL ESPINAL, GENESIS BILLUPS, NYLA GILLIAM, MIA SMITH, JUDITH SANTIAGO, BRIANNA MORALES, ADONIS PERALTA, VICT-GOR HOUBANOY, JIBRIL SHUMATE-EDWARDS AND GABRIELY ACOSTA



More pictures from

"It's the Great Pumpkin Patch, Kindergarten!"



## Calendar of School Events

Wednesday **Parent Application Workshop (High School November 3** Placement) **COOP Examination: Eighth graders at** November 5 **Friday Immaculate Conception High School Thursday School Closed-Veteran's Day** November 11 November 12 **School Closed-Puerto Rico Recognition Day** Friday **Saturday** November 13 **Operation Shoe Box-8th Grade Community** Service November 16 **Tuesday Union County Prosecutor's Office Presentation** for PARENTS and students regarding the dangers of the internet. Time: 9:30am to 11:00 am. November 17-19, 22-23 **BOOK FAIR! Board of Trustees Meeting** November 18 **Thursday** November 22 Monday Parent Council Meeting 6:45 PM SHARP! Thanksgiving play presented by our second grade students and our Chorus will perform.

**November 25 & 26** 

**School Closed-Thanksgiving Recess** 

## Mastering Math at Central

### **Submitted by the Central Second Grade Team**

The second grade students have been working hard in their unit on measurement during daily math classes. Students first learned about measurement of length using centimeters, inches, feet, and yards. They then learned about finding the mean and mode of a given set of numbers. Students learned to use tally marks to express this form of measurement. During the math lesson, students worked in pairs and investigated sweet peas. They had to count the number of seeds in each pod and record their data on a graph. At the very end, students were able to see which number of seed occurred the most, finding the mode. This activity was a lot of fun for each and every student. What a great way to make a difficult concept an exciting and memorable one!

