



ROBERT TREAT ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL NORTH AND CENTRAL CAMPUSES



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Our Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians,
Welcome Back!

While we may be an eleven month school year, a lot happens during our summer vacation in July. Our custodial staff at both campuses worked very hard to make sure the buildings were ready to receive your children. Mr. Gutierrez, Ms. Del Toro, Mr. Golombuski, and Mr. Pallante worked through their short summer break to make sure our technology program was up and running. Our secretarial staff made sure all the necessary paper work was in order for the upcoming school year. Books and other instructional materials were set up in classrooms so that instruction and learning could start on the first day of school. Our staff, many of whom came in during July to prepare their classrooms, have been working very hard in preparations for the conversion to the Common Core State Standards.

Our students were also busy during the month of July. The entire student body had summer reading assignments. I am happy to report most students returned prepared to discuss the assigned books. Twenty-two Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth Scholars spent three weeks at college campuses along the East Coast taking courses of interest. Seven 7th and 8th graders spent three weeks at Newark Academy taking courses in Study Skills, Writing and Reading. During the month of August our Sixth and Seventh grade students once again attended sailing school at Belmar Harbor sponsored by The North Ward Center.

Our High School Placement Department is in full swing meeting with eighth grade parents to discuss high school options. Our Alumni Employment Program, which provides former Academy students with valuable work experience and helps us all remain connected to each other began in July and will continue until alumni go off to high school and college.

Meet our new staff members at our North and Central campuses ([See pages 10-15](#))

The schedule of Parent Council Meetings is on page 9. Please honor your commitment to attend these meetings. If you are unable to attend a particular meeting, you will need to contact the office. Also posted on page 8 is the School Calendar.

Please pay special attention to the article on page 6 entitled "Robert Treat Academy Has an Eleven Month School Year."

I am looking forward to another productive school year.

Sincerely,

North Campus Students of the Month for June 2012

	104	Rocio Uzeta	207	Sara Rodriguez	308
	107	John Martinez	208	Dylan Mejia	310
Aaliyah Rivera	201	Bryana Martinez	210		Art
Jeremy Arroyo-Flores	202	Alex Roman	301	Maylynn Rodriguez	Music
Ny-Asia Peppers	203	Melissa Martinez-Molina	302	Jonathan Morales	Phy. Ed.
Justin Rodriguez	204	Henry Angeles	303	Jonathan Morales	Science
Crystal Baez	205	Rosemary Lopez	304	Adrianna Perez	Technology
Justin Negron	206	Scott Quishpe	306		



LEFT TO RIGHT
Row 1:

ALEX ROMAN
SARA RODRIGUEZ
ADRIANNA PEREZ
MAYLYNN RODRIGUEZ
HENYER ANGELES

Row 2:

ROSEMARY LOPEZ
SCOTT QUISHPE
NY-ASIA PEPPERS
JEREMY ARROYO-FLORES
MELISSA MARTINEZ-MOLINA

Row 3:

JOHN MARTINEZ
ROCIO UZETA
BRYANA MARTINEZ
JUSTIN NEGRON
CRYSTAL BAEZ
AALIYAH RIVERA
JUSTIN RODRIGUEZ

Central Campus Students of the Month for June 2012

Daniel Ojugo	12	Alani Rodriguez	15	Skyla Granger	Music
Linai Blackmon	13			Darrell Morton, Jr.	Phy. Ed.
Jamie Horn	14			Isis Pabon	Tech.



LEFT TO RIGHT

ROW 1:

DARRELL MORTON, JR.
ALANI RODRIGUEZ
LINAI BLACKMON
DANIEL OJUGO

ROW 2:

ISIS PABON
SKYLA GRANGER
JAMIE HORN



**Our next Parent Council Meeting will be held on
Wednesday, September 19th at 6:45 at both Campuses.**

The students and staff are counting on your support!

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS, CYCLE V, JUNE 2012

Principal's List

Room 12-C

Gabriela Hueting
Aaliyah Isahawk
Sariah Richardson
Aria Watson

Room 14-C

Gabriely Acosta
Genesis Billups
Nyla Gilliam

Room 15-C

Amaris Hernandez

Room 201

Sophia Figueroa

Room 202

Narena Nerahoo
Leah Ramos

Balthazar Sheehan
Camille Strand

Room 203

Amelie Bobadilla
Ebony Marshall
Noel Rios
Laura Shipman

Room 204

Dorothy He
Aryana Mercado

Room 205

Indira Douglas
Nicholas Carrero
Amari Charles
Alejandro Toledo-
Navarro

Room 207

Tiana Barkley
Gioncarlo Calle
Jayshawn Fuller
Maria Montero
McAfee Sheehan

Room 210

Gabriella Cruz
Emiliana Geronimo
Jordan Hubbard
Katherine Ramos

Room 302

Massa Godbold

Room 304

Madison Serrano
Rosemary Lopez
Kylee Lopez

Joshua Lopez
Izabelle Herrera

Rafael Cruz
Kamara Robinson
Milanis Rivas

Room 306

Destiny Maury
Dru Strand

Room 308

Angela Lagonigro

Room 310

Zashenka Molina
Krystal Narvaez
Adrianna Perez
Maylynn Rodriguez
Amanda Roman
Elizabeth Ramos

Honor Roll

Room 12-C

A'Nyla Botts
Moises Castillo
Jamoni Ellis
Catherine Esteves
Elizabeth Esteves
Jordan Jones
Regina Inweh
Daniel Ojugo
Mark Yancey
Gael Zambrana
Liana Zempare

Room 13-C

Sabrina Bailey
Hayat Bemby
Linai Blackmon
Lucas Bustamante
Chukwuemeka Ezeonu
Aziyah Fitch
Kiyara Goodson
Isamar Martinez

Skylar Motley
Sanaa Murph
Ekene Nwafor
Osaruonamen
Okwudishu
Sahar Shariah

Room 14-C

William Abou-Rjaili
Joseph Amado
Jamie Horne
Gabrielle Jimenez
Carlos Martinez
Brianna Morales
Joshua Negron
Osayonamen
Notemwanta
Jibril Shumate-
Edwards
Mia Smith

Room 15-C

Chibundom Ezeonu
Shayla Miller
Isis Pabon
Kennedy Robinson
Alani Rodriguez
Mekhi White

Room 201

Stephanie Calle-
Sanchez
Ethan Carrero
Lesely Cevallos-
Sarmiento
Ashley Cordero
Jonathan Crespo
Jailene Guzman
Julissa Marcano
Juan Miranda
Rafael Rios
Aaliyah Rivera

Room 202

Michael Caceres
Joceline Cosme
Miguel Espinal
Jordan Geronimo
Emely Gomez
Kyla Greene
Darren Hernandez
Tyrone Lee
Amanda Martinez-Molina
Gabriela Montero
Chyna Moore
Mia Perez
Marlon Richards
Meya Salas
Torrian Smith
Jeremy Arroyo-Flores

Room203

Robert Abril
Gabriela Celi
David Cueva

Honor Roll (continued)

Pamela Goez
Kendra Harrell
Julianna Rivera

Room 204

Emir Akdogan
JaVon Anderson
Jessie Bernardo
Veronica Blair
Desiree Calderon
Raphael Castillo
Diego Gonzalez
Daniel Guzman
Lauren Pannullo

Room 205

Emily Acosta
Logan Figueroa
Sebastian Santiago
Raymond Alvarez-Adorno

Room 206

Brittany Cardona
Christopher Crespo
Justin Negron
Erick Zapata

Room 207

Marc Balacuit
Justin Cruz
Alana Garcia
Vanessa Goez
Liza Grier
Giovan Guanill
Rocio Uzeta
Lamara White

Room 208

Brianna Hawley

John Martinez
Amber Rua
Henry Suchite-Rodriguez
Adrian White

Room 210

Freddy Ballester
Angel Bruno
Ciara Cohen
Ruby D'Oleo
Bryana Martinez
Ashley Medina
Rameses Minus
Ricardo Ortiz
Nayale Quimis

Room 301

Joseph Alvarez
Samantha Castaing
Kayden Correia-Grave
Mithayus Diaz
Erica Jimenez
Ciara Latchman
Jibrael Martinez
Aysha Penafiel

Jim Quishpe-Cevallos
Armando Rodriguez
Solmarie Rodriguez
Alex Roman
Michael Shipman
Lisbeth Torres
Ashley Valentin
Sebastian Vega

Room 302

Kyla Butler
Elijah Douglas
Sara Gonzalez
Amour Henry
Claryssa Martinez
Melissa Martinez-Molina
Emily Padilla
Franchesca Perez
Alexia Pisano
Riayan Reyes
Marcus Santiago

Room 303

Nicole Asenso-Boakye
Veronica Cales
Jasmin Velez
Jack Cumbicus
Mikaylah Ware
Jocelyn Chavez
Andrew Zapata
Owen Kelly
Jonathan Colon
Yaelina Lambertus
Antonio Lance
Alianna Maduro
Calvin Mott
Jasir Quddus
E'meel Thomas-Baker
Khaelyn Robinson

Room 304

Carlos Paladines
Evelyn Martinez
Justin Guaman
Genesis Chalmers
Nuri Raheem
Jolie Richards

Room 306

Ethan Glover
Zariah Middleton
Ciara Morales
Kiara Parham
Jacob Rosario
Symya Smith
Alex Solano
Khalil Stallings

Room 308

Danielle Alcantara
Delaia Baez
Destiny Cruz
Katelynn Figueroa
Brandon Hernandez
Glendaly Mendez
Isaiah Ramos
Sara Rodriguez
Ronnie Rodriguez
David Solano
Gabriel Vega

Room 310

Stephanie Crespo
Melany Cuellar
Kimberly Figueroa
Mya Johnson
Morgan Lanzot-Woodridge
Natasha Leines-Estrada
Jailynn Martins
Roselyn Muniz
Richard Pisano
Angel Reyes
Jason Rosado
Sara Richardson

**School begins promptly at 8:30 am each day.
Morning exercises are an important part
of the school day.**

Robert Treat Academy Has an Eleven Month School Yr.

When you chose to enroll your child in Robert Treat Academy you were fully informed of our attendance policy and the fact that the Academy has an eleven month school year. At that time you agreed to abide by your commitment to all the policies of our school.

If you take your child out of school for a vacation, their absence is not excused. Students are required by New Jersey State Law to be in school unless parents present legal excuses such as illness, death in the family, special religious observance, special medical or court appointments, etc.

More importantly, Academy students understand our expectation of good attendance. They are encouraged to live up to this expectation through various means; Perfect Attendance Certificates, Perfect Attendance Month (s) school-wide activities. They depend on you to help them achieve this goal.

We are committed to providing students with eleven months of instruction and we will never waiver from this commitment. If you feel you can not abide by the school policy that you agreed to in the Parent/School Compact, a school with a ten month school year would be the right choice for you.

Progress Report Dates 2012-2013

Interim Report Dates	Report Card Dates
Friday, September 14, 2012	Friday, October 19, 2012
Wednesday, November 14, 2012	Friday, December 23, 2012
Friday, January 25, 2013	Friday, March 1, 2013
Thursday, March 28, 2013	Monday, May 6, 2013
Friday, May 31, 2013	Friday, June 28, 2013

Report Cards will be distributed at Parent Conferences for Cycles 1 and 3.

Enjoy this last week of summer vacation.

Parent Council Attendance Percentages for the 2012-2013 School Year for Both Campuses

Congratulations to the parents of students in Room 13 at Central Campus. Your child's class is the only one with 100% attendance at "Back to School Night".

Parents, this was a very important meeting because it's at this meeting that you have the opportunity to meet the teachers and hear them explain their policies as well as their expectations for the students this year.

Remember this is something that you agreed to at the start of Kindergarten.

For all of those parents that did attend the meeting, the administration and teachers are grateful for your support.

ROOM #/GRADE	AUG
301-K	92%
303-K	76%
308-1	92%
310-1	84%
304-2	96%
306-2	96%
302-3	96%
203-3	85%
201-4	96%
202-4	79%
205-5	81%
208-5	72%
204-6	76%
206-6	70%
207-7	65%
210-7	83%
104-8	60%
107-8	96%
C-13-K	96%
C-12-1	92%
C-14-2	96%
C-15-3	100%
C-27-4	84%
TOTAL	85%

Welcome Back!

Submitted by the Seventh Grade Team journey. As we are sure you are already aware, Welcome back! The seventh grade teachers your children switch classes all morning. The days are very excited to have your children this year. of staying in one room all day are over! In addition, your children will have shorter language arts We are looking forward to a fun-filled year! We have several fun things coming up soon. This and math classes – one hour only. The students month your children will be sailing again at Belmar will have science in the lab four days a week and Harbor on Aug 22nd and 23rd. Also, next month students will be visiting Fairview Lakes for a team building trip. middle school is on making your children responsible and successful and we know that with your help this will be possible.

Seventh grade is an important year for your children. This is beginning of their middle school

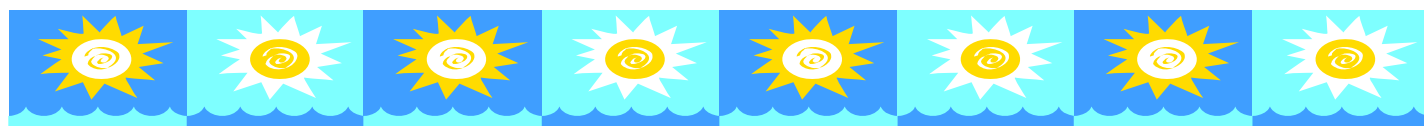
2012-2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR SCHOOL CLOSING

SCHOOL CLOSING

DATES		<u>2012</u>	# OF DAYS STUDENTS/TEACHERS
August	3	ORGANIZATION DAY – All Staff Members Report (8 am)	
	6	School Year Begins for grades 1 through 8	
	13	School Year Begins for Kindergarten Students	
	17	School Closed	
	24-31	School Closed – End of Summer Recess	13 / 14
September	1 – 3	School Closed - Labor Day	
	4	School Reopens	19 / 19
October	8	School Closed – Columbus Day	22 / 22
November	6	School Closed – Presidential Election	
	15	School Closed – Veteran's Day	
	16	School Closed – Puerto Rico Discovery Day	
	22-23	School Closed – Thanksgiving Recess	17 / 17
December	24 – 31	School Closed – Winter Recess	15 / 15
<u>2013</u>			
January	1	School Closed – New Year's Day	
	2	School Reopens	
	21	School Closed – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21 / 21
February	15-18	School Closed – President's Day Observance	18 / 18
March	29	School Closed – Spring Recess	20 / 20
April	1-5	School Closed – Spring Recess	
	8	School Reopens	17 / 17
May	27	School Closed – Memorial Day Observance	22 / 22
June	28	Last Day of School – 8 th Grade Graduation	20 / 20
TOTAL # of Days – STUDENTS			204
TOTAL # of Day – TEACHERS			205

Organizational and Study Skills Top the 8th Grade Priority

The new 8th grade students impress us in many ways. Their level of effort, determination, and genuine respect and courtesy are much appreciated by their teachers. They are also aware of the importance of organizational and study skills in their academics. These skills have a direct connection to their academic success and they must place a great deal of emphasis on making sure their materials and academic efforts fall in line with these methods. Study Skills and personal organization sometimes are not given the amount of attention that other areas of their education are, but this is certainly something to focus on as it will reduce the stress level of a student, make them more confident, and allow them to achieve greater academic success. In all of the subject areas, the teachers are stressing these methods to help them become even better students and allow them to reach their full potential. We are impressed so far that organization is certainly something that they value and understand how much it will help them in both their education and in all aspects of life.



ROBERT TREAT ACADEMY

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

2012 - 2013

DATE	LOCATION	TOPIC
Wednesday, August 15 th	Both Campuses	BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
Wednesday, September 19 th	Both Campuses	Our new Anti Bullying Program
October 22 nd through Oct26 th (Late Night Wednesday, October 24 th)	Both Campuses	Parent Conferences
Tuesday, November 13 th	Central	Thanksgiving Play
Tuesday, November 20 th	North	Thanksgiving Play
Wednesday, December 19 th	North	Winter Concert
Tuesday, January 29 th	Central	State of the School
Wednesday, January 30 th	North	State of the School
Wednesday, February 20 th	Both Campuses	To be Decided
March 4 th through March 8 th (Late Night Wednesday, March 6 th)	Both Campuses	Parent Conferences
Wednesday, April 17 th	Both Campuses	International Dinner
Wednesday, May 29 th	Both Campuses	Spring Concert/Art Show
Friday, June 21 st	North	Founder's Day

We Have Some New Staff Members!



Ms. Magda Abdelrohman

I would first like to start off by saying how happy I am to be here at Robert Treat Academy. It is truly an honor to be working with such great young minds. The fourth grade is an exciting place to be and as the Central Campus' first fourth grade class we have a precedent to set!

My name is Magda Abdelrohman, this is my first year teaching at Robert Treat. I am a graduate of the College of Saint Elizabeth where I received my degree in Elementary Education and History. I am currently pursuing a master's degree in Special Education. I am looking forward to a positive and rewarding year of learning.



Ms. Alaina Alfano

My name is Alaina Alfano and I am currently the Resource Room teacher at Robert Treat Academy, North Campus. I received my education from Wagner College. As a scholar-athlete, I attained my Bachelor's Degree in Education and Psychology, and as a Graduate Assistant Track And Field Coach, I received my Master's Degree in Literacy Development. Prior to my employment, I worked as an Instructional Aide for the East Hanover School District. I am excited to be back at Robert Treat Academy and look forward to a great year!



Mr. William Bush

graduated in 2005 from Kean University with a B.A. in Health and Physical Education. He spent the end of the 2011-2012 school year working the KidFit after school program at Robert Treat Academy. He is very excited to be at RTA Central as the Health and Physical Education teacher. He is very passionate about teaching and is always striving to become the most effective teacher possible. In his free time, Mr. Bush enjoys relaxing with friends and family and watching his favorite sports teams: Cleveland Browns, Florida State University and the Philadelphia Flyers.





Ms. Xanthia Almodovar

Ms. Xanthia Almodovar is currently the High School Placement secretary and can often be seen helping out in the main office of the school. In 2006, she graduated from Robert Treat Academy. After RTA she went on to attend Bloomfield Vo-Tech and graduated in 2010. She is currently attending Essex County College where she is pursuing a teaching degree. She is starting her second year as an employee at the Robert Treat Academy and is looking forward to many more.



Ms. Kathryn Callan

Ms. Callan graduated in 2007 with her Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Colorado. In December of 2011 she graduated from Montclair State University with her P-3 teaching certification and a Masters in the Art of Teaching. She has worked at every level of early childhood education (Pre-school to Third Grade) as a lead teacher or assistant. She enjoys hiking and traveling in her free time.



Ms. Daniela Gallo.

Daniela Gallo is in her first year at Robert Treat Academy as the Second Grade Instructional Assistant in room 304 with Mrs. Battaglia! Ms. Gallo graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Pre-Primary from Lynn University, in Boca Raton, Florida. Ms. Gallo currently holds a certification in Pre-school through Third grade.

Ms. Gallo has experience teaching in Kindergarten and first grade, and has substituted through Fifth grade. Besides teaching, Ms. Gallo loves to spend time with her family, cooking, traveling, and cheering on her favorite sports team (New York Jets)!

She looks forward to a successful year working with Mrs. Battaglia and with the community at Robert Treat Academy.



Ms. Margaret O'Connell

Ms. O'Connell graduated with a B.A. in K-8 education from Centenary College in May of 2011. She has always loved and enjoyed learning and is excited to share the love of knowledge with the students of Robert Treat Academy. Previously, she worked as a 2nd/3rd grade literacy teacher, and before that she was a nanny for 6 years. In her free time she enjoys reading, being outdoors, and spending time with friends and her dog!



Mr. Anthony Palmieri

Mr. Palmieri comes to us after working for Catholic Charities for the past twelve years. He's happy to be at RTA working with Mr. Fontanez. Anthony enjoys helping people and is a candidate for one of the popular service organizations.



Ms. Marie Pena

Ms. Pena has over twelve years of teaching experience in all grades from Kindergarten through eighth grade. She is an alumnus of Caldwell College.

Ms. Pena is a certified Elementary school teacher for grades K-5, with an additional certification in Language Arts for grades 5-8. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her three grown children, reading, and coaching soccer.





Ms. Allison Velez

Ms. Velez graduated from Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ with a B.A in English. She received her Master's degree (Ed.M) in Elementary Education in 2011. Prior to working at RTA, Ms. Velez worked as a teacher's assistant in Glen Rock, NJ working with special needs students and at the extended school year program in Chatham, NJ. She loves teaching but she also enjoys spending time with her family and her dogs. During her free time she enjoys going into the city, traveling and relaxing on the beach.



Ms. Jessica Cruz

Ms. Cruz is a new addition to Robert Treat Academy. She is currently an instructional assistant in the 7th/8th grade science classes and in 7th grade homeroom 210. Ms. Cruz has her Bachelor's degree from Montclair State University where she majored in family and child studies with a concentration in education. Ms. Cruz is certified as an elementary education teacher. She enjoys reading, hiking, and traveling.

Sixth Grade Soars to Success

Submitted by the Sixth Grade Team

Another year, another wonderful 6th grade class at Robert Treat Academy. In Rooms 204 and 206, there are fifty two young men and women who are ready, willing and eager to learn this year! All students will explore the worlds of Fiction, Drama, Poetry, and Non Fiction with Ms. Moje and Ms. Velez each day. They will also enhance their reading levels with the Leveled Reader Program and apply Language Arts and Grammar techniques to their writing each day. From memorizing prepositions to reading speeches by famous Americans, there is a lot of exciting information in store for the Literacy classes.

Over in the Mathematics classroom, Ms. Roemer and Ms. Hernandez are also opening the minds of all of the 6th graders. The students have come a long way from $1+1=2$, but there is still a lot to learn, from Pre-Algebra, geometry and integers to probability. Mainly, the students will be applying their knowledge to everyday situations. Ms. Hernandez will be in room 204 every morning to provide all 6th graders with extra help in Mathematics as they learn and utilize many new math skills this year.

The afternoons are filled with excitement and knowledge as the students work with Ms. Kelley-Kemple, Ms. Velez, and Ms. Hernandez in the Science Lab and with Mr. Golombuski, Ms. Moje, and Ms. Roemer in the Social Studies classrooms. In science, "hands-on" is the word of the day, as students conduct their own experiments, build their own models, and create displays highlighting different scientific discoveries and achievements. Upstairs, students will visit Ancient Greece, Ancient Rome and relive the American Civil War without ever leaving the classroom, as their Social Studies curriculum spans World History to the American Civil War. It's a whole new world of information, just waiting to be explored by the 6th grade.

Transferred to Central Campus



Ms. Waleska Burgos

Ms. Burgos is extremely excited and honored to work with the students at the Central Campus of Robert Treat Academy. Ms. Burgos has been working at the North Campus for the past six years. She has taught in the 7th, 8, and fourth grades. She enjoys working with children and seeing them make progress throughout the year. It is amazing to see their growth from the beginning of the year to who they become at the end of the year. I am looking forward to teaching all the young boys and girls at our wonderful school.



Ms. Erikka Richardson

Ms. Richardson has joined our Robert Treat Academy Central Campus teaching staff this year. Ms. Richardson is no newcomer to Robert Treat Academy, however. She has taught at Robert Treat Academy North Campus for 13 years at both, the second and third grade levels. She is pleased to be a part of the RTA Central faculty, and looks forward to an exciting, successful year of learning.



**Book Fairs will be
held
at both campuses
in November.**



Patterns?

Submitted by the Central Campus First Grade Team

This month the first grade students at the Central Campus explored patterns in math class. The students described and extended patterns using the active board. They then got the chance to create their own patterns using triangles, squares, rhombuses, trapezoids, and hexagons. One clear pattern in first grade is how creative the students were in creating their patterns!



**OSANUONAMEN
OKWUDISHU**

**LINAI BLACKMON AND
CHUKWUEMEKA EZEONU**

LAWRENCE LEONARD

Swinging into Kindergarten

**Submitted by the Central Campus
Kindergarten Team**

August has been "bananas." Our lovely bunch of kindergarteners are settling in well and are ready to learn. They have been introduced to their new school, class routine and the rules of their new classroom. Our class has a Jungle theme this year. Our classroom decor consists of different animals including our job chart and especially our behavior chart. We will be looking for our "Top Banana," which is the Student of the Month, daily. Our students' success rests solely in our hands, the parents and teachers. With great communication our children will see we are a team. Our behavior management system will assist us in our efforts to communicate consistently. Students will be given a Responsibility folder which will clearly show your child's progress on a daily basis.



The system is as follows. If your child receives a PINK star this means they landed on "I am ruling the jungle" for the day. This means your child was the best they can be. A GREEN star means they landed on "These monkeys are ready to learn" which means they followed all the rules. A YELLOW smile face means they landed on "hanging in there" which means they were spoken to once or twice but they are still on the right track. An ORANGE frown face means they landed on "swinging too close to the bottom" and your child must stop and think about getting on the right track because their day is not going too well. A RED frown face means they landed on "too much monkeying around" which means they did not follow the class rules and we hope for a better day tomorrow!

We hope this system will help the students to take responsibility for their actions and to strive every-day to be the "Top Banana" and "Rule the Jungle!". With our parents team we look forward to a successful year! We are "WILD" about kindergarten!

Fourth Grade Had a Wonderful Time at the Hook!

Submitted by the North Campus Fourth Grade Team

The fourth grade ended the year with a class trip to Sandy Hook. On the trip, the students learned about the Lenape Indians and collected and identified various sea creatures and sea shells that are native to Sandy Hook. Here are some of the pictures from our fantastic trip!



**RAFAEL RIOS,
MS. BURGOS,
STEPHANIE CALLE-
SANCHEZ, AND MS.
OSETTO IN THEIR
WADERS READY
FOR THE NEXT
ACTIVITY.**

**BALTHAZAR
SHEEHAN, TORRIAN
SMITH, MARLON
RICHARDS, AND
CAMILLE STRAND
ARE THE FIRST IN THE
WATER TO SEE WHAT
CREATURES THEY
CAN CATCH!**



WE CAUGHT A HORSESHOE CRAB! JEREMY ARROYO-FLORES AND AVIAN JIMENEZ LISTEN INTENTLY AS OUR TOUR GUIDE, ROB, TELLS US ABOUT THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE HORSESHOE CRAB.



THANK YOU SANDY HOOK; WE HAD A BLAST!



Fourth Graders Get “Whalecomed” Back to School

**Submitted by the North Campus
Fourth Grade Team**

Ms. Osetto and Mr. Feinstein’s fourth-grade homeroom students were welcomed back to school with activities that related to marine life and the sea-shore. Everyone enjoyed selecting a paper fish to color and label with their name for the classroom job board. In addition, all students received a paper whale to color and label with their name for the hallway bulletin board titled, “Whalecome to Fourth Grade.”

In addition, students were treated to a few symbolic treats to let them know what they can expect from their teachers and the new school year. In a bowl resembling a fish bowl, they were provided

with: a pencil tip eraser to acknowledge that everyone makes mistakes, LifeSaver candy to remind them that they have two teachers to help them; a couple of Laffy Taffy candies to let them know they can count on having some laughs; a couple of Star Burst Candies to symbolize that they are stars, and a pencil to show they will work hard.

They also eased back into academics by reading aloud their favorite entry from their summer journal writing assignment, planning and writing a three-paragraph essay about their “first day in fourth grade jitters,” and writing out their goals this school year. So far 4th grade is off to a “whale” of a start!



LAURA SHIPMAN SHARES AN ENTRY OF HER SUMMER JOURNAL WRITING ASSIGNMENT.



LEFT TO RIGHT: SARA GONZALEZ, ALEXANDRA BARAN, ELIJAH DOUGLAS AND DEVIN NARVAEZ

Our New School of Fish Has Arrived!

**Submitted by the North Campus
Kindergarten Team**

Our new “school of fish” has arrived! They have been hard at work since their first day here. Students quickly learned school rules, classroom routines, and have made new friends. In the classroom students are learning the alphabet, counting and recognizing numbers, writing their names, listening to stories, and so much more! We can’t wait to show all of Robert Treat what the Kindergarten can do. It’s going to be a great year!



First Grade Rocks!

**Submitted by the North Campus
First Grade Team**

The first grade team was excited to welcome our new Superstars on the first day of school. We rolled out the red carpet and introduced the students to our "Rockin" theme in first grade. This year students will have the opportunity to find their inner super star. Our first grade classrooms will set the stage for success at Robert Treat Academy. Just like a production team, we will tour together to make everyday a superstar performance in the classroom. Each student will be praised for following the rules and listening to directions. These greatest hits in the classroom will be recognized daily in their own "Rockin' Responsibility Folder" and each week superstars will win a Grammy. You all have a backstage pass to our class. Come visit the first grade, where everyone is a star!



READ, READ, READ!

**Submitted by Ms. Del Toro, Central Campus
Fourth Grade Teacher**

Over the summer break, the third grade students were encouraged to READ, READ, READ! Reading a variety of books helps build vocabulary, develop literacy and writing skills, and provides great learning experiences for children. The students were asked to read Judy Moody was in a Mood by Megan McDonald. When Judy entered into the 3rd grade, she had the chance to really express herself when her teacher, Mr. Todd assigned

a special project. The students were asked to create a "Me Collage" using pictures, objects, and words about themselves, just like in the book. The students returned to school with creative and thoughtful works of art. They also did a great job sharing their collages in class with fellow classmates. We got a real feel for what they like, the activities they enjoy, and what they're all about! The collages are displayed on our classroom's bulletin board in the hallway for all to enjoy. Please feel free to stop by and view our display!



EACH STUDENT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN AND DISPLAY THEIR PROJECT WHEN THEY RETURNED TO SCHOOL AFTER THE SUMMER BREAK.

Calendar of School Events

Aug. 24-Sept. 3		School Closed
September 4	Tuesday	Classes resume
September 12	Wednesday	Fairview Lakes Team Building trip for 7th and 8th graders
September 19	Wednesday	Parent Council Meeting at both sites- Central and North at 6:45 PM Learn about our new Anti-Bullying Program
September 20	Thursday	Board of Trustees Meeting
September 21	Friday	Awards Ceremony for 1st-8th grade students
September 28	Friday	Science Trip for 8th Grade Students

Our First Day in Fifth Grade

Submitted by the Fifth Grade Team

Students wrote about their experiences and feelings about their first day in fifth grade. Here are a few examples:

My first day at school was great. My teachers are Ms. Barbalaco and Ms. Rivera. They introduced themselves, and everything we need to know about the classroom. We have behavior bingo and jobs too.

We have lunch from 12:20-12:50. My first day was great and I also like my teachers. They are very nice. But sometimes they could be serious and just want to teach. But sometimes they could be in a silly mood. I love fifth grade.

By: Jocelyn Santiago

My first day wasn't the best but wasn't the worst day ever. In the beginning of the day I was actually glad to go to school until I noticed I wasn't in the same class as my best friends. At that point it felt like the end of the world but I tried to calm down. When I entered Room 205, I noticed four good friends, Camille, Bally, Jordan, and Tyrone. I thought for a minute and I noticed maybe change could be good.

After all that drama I finally met my new Reading teachers who are also my homeroom

teachers. I learned a little about Ms. Rivera and Ms. Barbalaco. We have bingo charts or "behavior bingo". I hope I can accept that I have to make new friends. Hopefully, I get to make friends and see my old friends, but I can't worry about that right now. Here comes "fifth grade"!

By: Emely Gomez

My first day of school wasn't bad. I met new students and made friends with them. I learned that Ms. Barbalaco liked the Grand Canyon. That's so cool. Then we played a game called "Believe it or Not." It was a good game to help us learn more about our classmates but we had to guess which facts were fake. It was really cool. One of my friends actually went to Japan. I couldn't believe it. She said the sushi was really delicious.

I made friends with some people I didn't really like. It was a bummer having to see my friends go to the other class. Other than that I like fifth grade. I like my teachers too. The work we did was fun. We went over the class rules. This is going to be a good year.

By: Juan Miranda