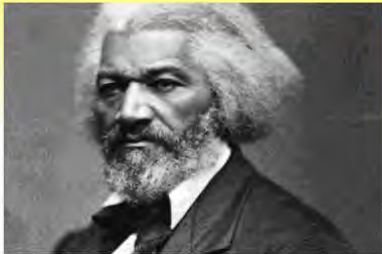


Charles Kelly

Upper Darby School District

Celebrating Black History Month



We celebrate Black History Month in February. Each morning during Black History Month, Dr. Wormley shared the many achievements and contributions of various African Americans. We have learned about Madame C.J. Walker, Wilma Rudolph and Fredrick Douglas. Mrs. Roberts, our art teacher, has created an interactive black art history resource for students to explore and learn about living artists like Amy Sherald and Kehinde Wiley and the artists of the art movement called the Harlem Renaissance, plus many more talented artists.



Attendance: If your child is absent, we still need a note. Please email your child's name, date, and reason for absence to mdurso@upperdarbysd.org (MaryJane D'Urso)

Save the Date!

Read Across America

3/1/2021-3/5/2021

Celebrate reading with a diverse variety of books!!

Hybrid Model
4th & 5th
Grades Begins

3/1/2021

AM and PM cohorts return to building for hybrid learning.

Spring Break

3/29/2021-4/2/2021

Schools and offices are closed.



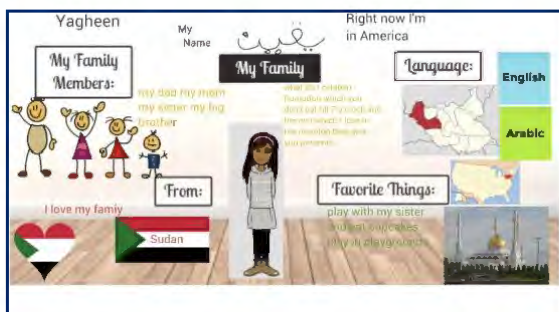
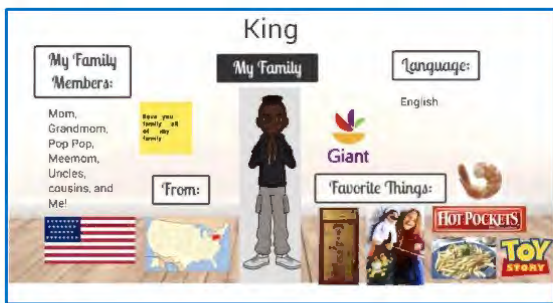
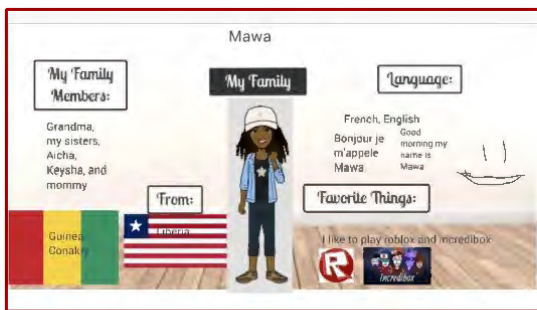
100 Days of School = 100 Days Smarter!!!

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 marked the 100th day of school. We earned our Pajama Day by challenging students to give 100 reasons why school is important. Teachers shared a google doc on Schoology as a writing assignment. And of course, they rocked it!! Wearing pajamas, wearing hats made of one hundred items and other fun activities celebrated the 100th day of being smarter!



Mrs. Benginia's Class Shares Their Heritage

Mrs. Benginia's class has been working on creating virtual posters to share their family heritage. It has been so fun to learn, share, and celebrate our beautiful similarities and differences.



Welcome Ms. Marusco to 4th Grade-Room 16

MEET THE...
teacher!



Ms. Marusco

WELCOME!

Hello! My name is Lisa Marusco. I am so excited to be your child's 4th grade teacher for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. The rest of the year will be filled with lots of excitement and learning and I am so happy I get to be a part of it! I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child. Please feel free to reach out to me any time!

ABOUT ME

This is my 7th year teaching. I received my bachelor's degree from Penn State University. This year I graduated with my master's degree and became certified as a reading specialist. I grew up in Delaware County, and I now live in Philadelphia with my boyfriend and our dog. When I'm not teaching, I love to spend time with my friends and family.

CONTACT INFO

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call or text: 215-259-8030

Rose Westrope Spelling Bee Representative

Rose Westrope will be our school's representative at the DCIU Spelling Bee in March. She is in 3rd grade in Ms. Clautice's class. Good luck Rosie!!



Please Join the *Upper Darby Rising* Community Forums

Dr. John Council invites you to *Upper Darby Rising* Community Forums:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29qpEfRhXKM>.

Please join us for an *Upper Darby Rising* General Community Forum on Saturday, February 20th, Monday, February 22nd, or Monday, March 1st. **People within our school district community have an opportunity to win a gift card!** Four people who invite the most participants from the Upper Darby area on one of the 3 forum dates will have an opportunity to **win a gift card ranging from \$50-\$200**. Pre-register TODAY and invite a friend using the link on the flyer or here:

[HTTP://UPPERDARBYRISING.EVENTBRITE.COM](http://upperdarbyrising.eventbrite.com).

All three forums will have the same information; however three different dates and times are available to accommodate the community.

Click to learn more about our *Upper Darby Rising* initiative:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JqEV3hWf1Zg&feature=youtu.be>.

IMPORTANT NEWS WITH GREAT PRIZES!
Charles Kelly Needs Your Help
 to Win a Friendly Competition Between Schools!



ATTEND 1 MEETING ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DATES
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH AT 10:00 AM
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND AT 7:15 PM
 MONDAY, MARCH 1ST AT 7:30 PM

REGISTER HERE

[Upper Darby Rising](#)

PRIZES

- STUDENTS** Will have the chance to win a pizza dinner delivered to their home by superintendent of UD along with Dr McCarthy.
- PARENTS** Will have the chance to win a gift card ranging from \$50 to \$200.
- SCHOOL** The school with the most participants will win a fun filled virtual assembly of choice.
- TEACHERS** The teacher with the most participants will be entered for a personal day.

Congratulations to Ms. Nicole Daly as Garretford Elementary Lead Teacher

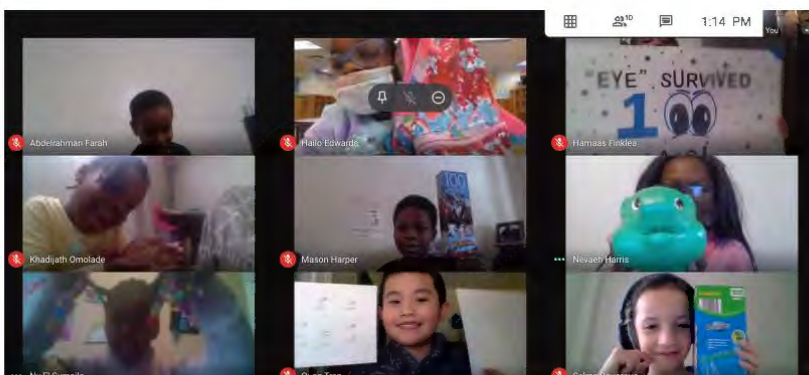
Ms. Nicole Daly has accepted the position of Lead Teacher at Garretford Elementary School. She will be missed but she is still a member of the Upper Darby family!! Congratulations and good luck to Ms. Daly!!

Kindness Is Contagious at Charles Kelly

Charles Kelly participated in the Great Kindness Challenge from January 25th to the 29th. Ms. Cecco, our school counselor, organized a student challenge each day to complete. Monday's challenge was to compliment three people. Tuesday's challenge was to write a thank you to a teacher using a Google form submission. We had 115 thank you notes submitted. Wednesday's challenge was to help someone at home without being asked. Thursday's challenge was to draw a picture for someone. Friday's challenge was the student's choice. Ms. Cecco is so proud of all the amazing acts of kindness our students do every day!



Mrs. Johnson's Class Counts to 100



Counting to 100 in Mrs. Johnson's class was one of the activities to celebrate the 100th day of school. Not only was it 100 days of learning but 100 days of smiles too!

Welcome Grades 1st, 2nd & 3rd to the Building!!

We have opened our school doors to students in First, Second and Third grade in our hybrid model. Students are following social distancing practices, wearing masks, using hand sanitizer and learning in their classrooms. Teachers and staff are so happy to see them in person. The students are doing a great job at following all the new routines, not only in the classroom but on the bus.

