

# Highland Park Happenings

April 2019



Freshman Lasalle University basketball player, Ed Crosswell, came to Highland Park on Friday, March 29th and addressed the entire 5th grade. He shared his success story — hard work, showing great effort, accepting support by family members & coaches, and dreaming big. He brought posters and other give-aways for each 5th grade student. He even did autographs!



Fourth grade has been working hard on their persuasive writing pieces. They had to write five paragraphs persuading their audience to think just like them. Some students wrote about adding more rules to the cafeteria. Other students wrote an essay persuading their parents to buy them a pet. After going through the whole writing process, the students were able to type their final products on the Chromebooks.

Students who participate in the Wawa program had the opportunity to meet with the President of Wawa, Mr. Chris Gheysens!! Our students had a BLAST!



The Highland Park Fitness Team competed in The Marine Corps Fitness Meet on Tuesday, April 9th at Upper Darby High School.

Every elementary school in the Upper Darby School District competed. These students put their heart and soul into every event! The events that they competed in were sit ups, push ups, broad jump, pull ups and 300 yard run. These students displayed perseverance, grit and sportsmanship throughout the entire competition.

Girls Back Row ( L to R ): Jawariya Hussain, Carly Wakefield, Nghi Ngo, Autumn Williams, Abigail Gangadeen, Mikayla Littlepage

Boys Front Row ( L to R ): Chris Leveille, Sultan Adegbite, Mateo Fiorentino-Wong, Hasim Smith, Noah Kane-Small, Ameer Gibson



The music department was very busy preparing for the Spring Concert, Highland Park Rocks! There are many upcoming music performances during the next few months. Be sure to come and check them out!

May 7th & 8th - Aladdin Kids, 7:00 pm

May 30th - 3rd Grade Show, 9:30 am

June 6th - 4th Grade Pennsylvania Concert 2:00 pm

Highland Park Hawks with Heart (Running Club) are training for their 5K next month. We've learned about setting goals and building endurance to help us prepare for the big race!



In ELL class, we are getting back to our group work after a month of testing. It was great to get back to our normal routines. In the pictures are our 4th graders here at Highland Park. March was a very productive month for us. Although the weather wasn't predicible in March, we look forward to spring arriving in April! Remember to keep reading nightly to strengthen vocabulary, background knowledge and comprehension skills.

Our Red Hawks and Black Hawks Reading Olympic Teams competed on April 2nd against schools from across Delaware County. They both did very well and had a great time. Teams come from fourth and fifth grade. They have been reading books and meeting every week since September. Our students read between 5 and 15 books each from a list of 45 titles! Red Hawks brought home a white ribbon and Black Hawks a blue ribbon. Thanks to Mrs. Troxell, Mrs. Beers, Mrs. Sciocchetti, and Mrs. Leach for coaching the teams.