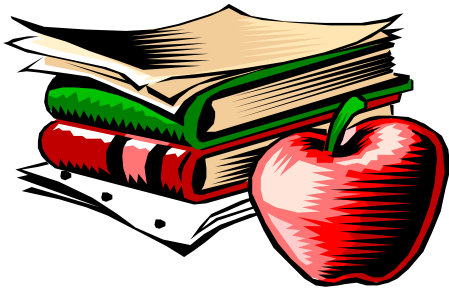


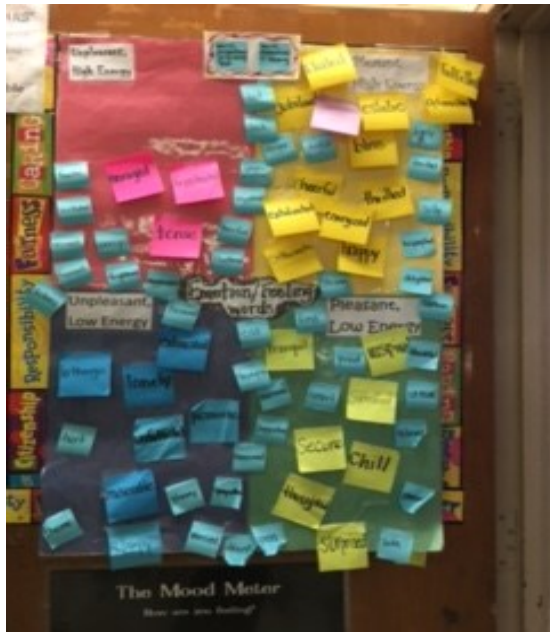
# Hallen School

Principal's Newsletter  
Dr. Deborah Santacapita  
May, 2016



## Take a look at the Mood Meter:

Ms. Price greets her students daily, asks them how they feel, what color they feel today, describe their word, and place it on the door. All our teachers use the Mood Meter daily!



## Hallen Happenings

**Read-A-Loud-Day** was special for all our students. Shout-out to our readers who gave up their time to read to our students.

**Black History Month** had the honor of hosting some of Stamford Kappas Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity members coordinated by our teacher, Mr. Michael Kelly. They spoke about their careers and successes. Our Black History Concert, by our music teacher Mr. Don Brelsford had our students singing, dancing, and playing instruments.

**RULER NIGHT/BULLYING PREVENTION NIGHT, TURNAROUND ARTS NIGHT and SPRING FLING DANCE** were all held in March.

**Autism Awareness Day** was April 2, 2016. We celebrated on April 1st by all wearing blue.

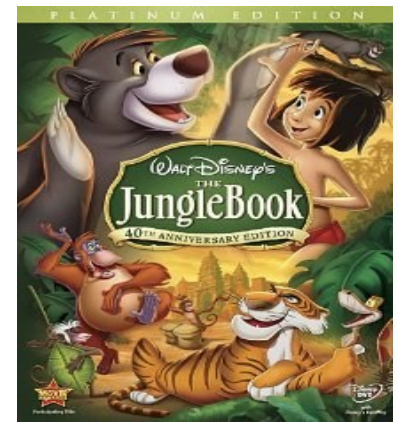
**Student of the Month** was a great turnout on April 22nd.

**Parent/Guardian Teacher Conferences** had great participation with 78% average attendance.

**Jump Rope for Heart** raised money to support the American Heart Association.

**Mood Meter Day** was a great success! Students wore one, some or all the colors.

**Spelling Bee** had some fierce competition among our students.



We are very excited about our first musical— **The Jungle Book**. Rehearsals are underway on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 3:30PM—5:30pm. Students are doing a magnificent job practicing their lines, singing, and dancing. We have some great talent at Hallen School! If any parents/guardians have a special talent and are willing to help us with the planning, decorating, and make-up for the musical, please contact the school.

## **A special shout-out to the Turnaround Arts Team;**

Donald Brelsford    Katelyn Grimes  
Evelyn Maru        Alisha Price  
Nancy Kelly         Michael Kelly  
Aimee Clavette    Penny Sidarweck  
Deborah Santacapita

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR EFFORT, DEDICATION, HARD WORK!**





We continue to monitor student attendance. Thank you for your continued support to ensure that every student attends school every day! **We are hoping for 97%+ each and every day.**

- September 96.11%
- October 96.98%
- November 94.56%
- December 95.45%
- January 95.71%
- February 95.00%
- March 95.52%
- April 95.23%



### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Wednesday, May 4 B.B. Bluefish Literacy  
Kick-off 10:00am
- Friday, May 6, 2016 Kindergarten  
Awareness Day 10:00am
- Tuesday, May 10, 2016 PAC Meeting 5:00pm
- Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Early Dismissal  
No Afterschool Program
- Friday, May 13, 2016 Childhood Obesity/  
Hygiene 6:00-7:30pm
- Friday, May 27, 2016 Hispanic Heritage Concert  
9:30am show and 1:30pm show
- Monday, May 30, 2016 Memorial Day  
No School

### **Attention Parents/Guardians**

- Please do not drive in the parking lot.
- Please do not pick up your child between 2:45pm—3:10pm per district policy.
- During inclement weather or below 40 degrees, students will go to the gym for arrivals and dismissals— Parents are asked to remain outside the gym door.
- Please sign in and receive a sticker when you visit.
- **This is for the safety & security of your children!**



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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Hallen School community respectfully nurtures and engages each student in realistic, meaningful, and collaborative learning so every student can achieve his or her personal best.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

In collaboration with all members of our school community, we consistently work to achieve academic excellence for all students, celebrate and appreciate our students' diversity, promote a positive school climate, and maintain an emotionally, socially, intellectually, artistically and physically safe school environment.