

The Hagedorn Little Village School

Jack Joel Center for Special Children

March 2017 Newsletter

Valentine's Day Bake Sale

Thank you to our Valentine's Day Bake Sale Chairpersons, **Vanessa Berritto, Melissa Flick, Lori Hughes** and all the committee members for hosting a terrific bake sale! A very special thank you to Little Village student **Chauncey Watt's** Aunt **Marsha Marcia** and his family for their extremely generous donation of five dozen decorated cakes and cheesecakes! Chauncey's family all pitched in and helped with the baking.



Valentine's Day Bake Sale



Little Village Fashion Show

Thursday, April 27th

Crest Hollow Country Club

8325 Jericho Turnpike, Woodbury, NY

Everyday is an adventure!
What adventure has your
child been up to since
leaving Little Village?



Alumni Sponsorships are available for this year's
Fashion Show for \$25. Have your child featured
on our "Where are they now?" table display.

Please submit a short paragraph about what your
child has been up to since leaving Little Village
along with a 4x6" photo to Janet Mouliere by
April 17th.

**Contact Janet Mouliere at 516-520-6067 for
Tickets, Sponsorships or
General Information**

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MacArthur High School Annual Lacrosse For Autism Event

**Funds raised
help support
Little Village!**

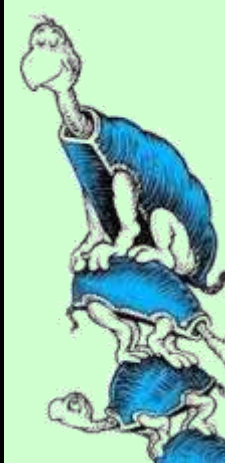
**Look for
upcoming
announcements!**

April 15, 2017



Celebrating Read Across America

On March 2nd, Little Village celebrated **Read Across America Day** which
is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on the birth-
day of Dr. Seuss. Thousands of schools, libraries, and community
centers participate to encourage children to read.





First 100 Days of School

The students in **Room 8** and **Room 60** celebrated the 100th day of school together by dressing up as if they were 100 years old!



Room 221 Learns About Communities

The students in **Miss Regina's** class learned about their communities last month. They read books and "visited" different places in their neighborhoods. The children had fun pretending to be doctors, dentists, and chefs!



Classroom News

Special Guest In Room 80

Teacher **Rebecca Sblendorio** and the students in Room 80 learned all about community helpers last month and had a special visitor. One of our parents, Police Officer **Thomas Willdigg** (pictured below with daughter **Mary**), came to class and read a book to the children, handed out police badges and even demonstrated how to make finger prints. The children had so much fun making their own finger prints and learning all about the work police officers do! Thank you Officer Willdigg!



Classroom News

Room 220 Learns About Dental Care

In Room 220, Teacher **Lauren Sciubba** and the students learned about brushing teeth. They learned about brushing a giant mouth using a giant tooth brush! We learned to brush the top, front, sides, and back teeth. We cleaned off "dirty teeth" using a toothbrush, and used toothbrushes to make our yellow teeth nice and white during arts and crafts!





Is There a Doctor in the House?

The students in **Ms. Jenn's** 10PM class had fun learning about a very special community helper, a doctor. The children used special instruments to check their patient's ears, nose, mouth and heart. Some of our little doctors even gave out shots and put on band aids. They were gentle and compassionate with their patients. We are very proud of our little doctors!



Thank You Praetorians LEMC of Long Island!

Little Village would like to thank **Bill Walsh** (pictured third from the right) who is the President of the Praetorians LEMC LI (Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club of Long Island) for a very generous donation to Little Village. Bill is the grandfather of Little Village student **Liam Walsh**.

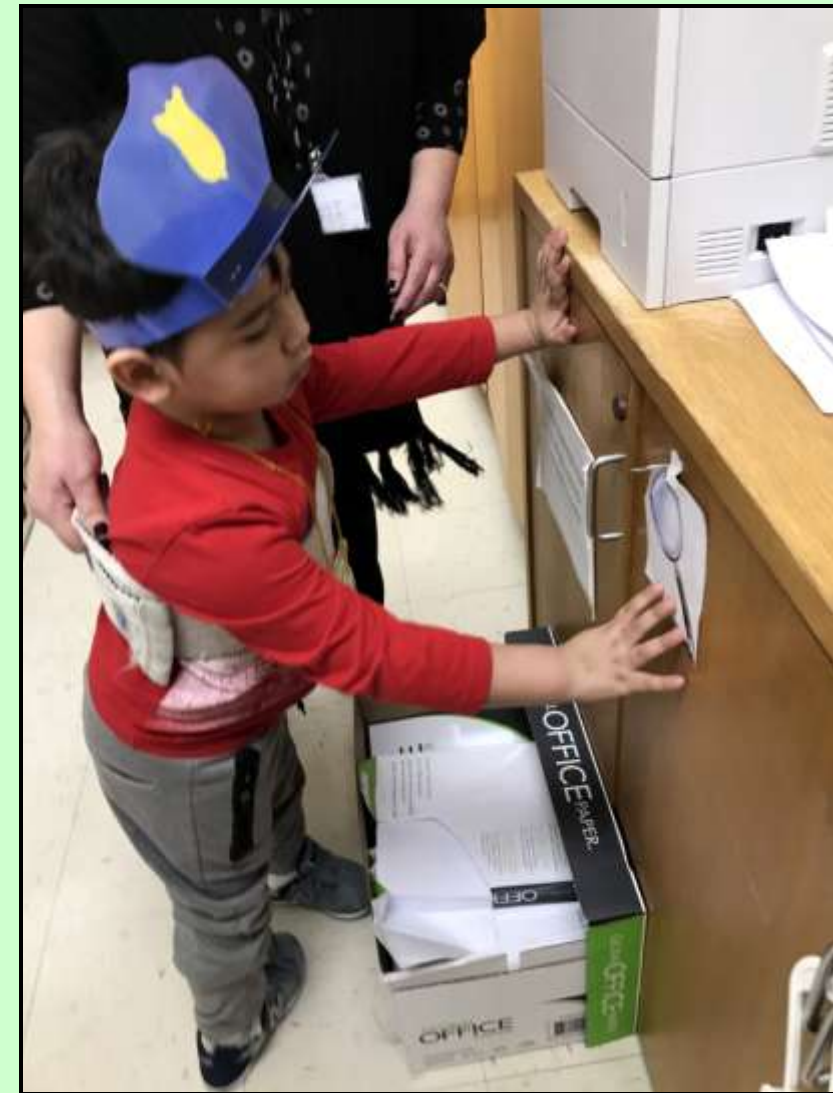
Thank you all for your support!





Room 14 learns About Police Officers

The students in Room 14 learned about how police officers keep us safe. One day, the students learned that their iPad was missing! They dressed up as police officers by putting on their hats and badges to find the missing iPad. The students, along with Teacher **Sam Kirincic**, followed clues in the hallway and found the iPad in Room 82!



Financial Planning Seminar for Parents

On Monday, April 3, 2017 **Andrew Cohen, Esq.** and **Mitch Weisbrot, CLU** will present a Legal and Financial Seminar at Little Village. Little Village recently honored Andrew Cohen with the *Susan Weshler Memorial Award* at our Golden Rule Award Dinner. The presentation will address the legal and financial preparations crucial to safeguarding assets and benefits for your special needs child. Andrew and Mitch are Little Village Alumni fathers and have the professional expertise that enables them to help other parents navigate the confusing and emotional aspects of estate planning to best serve the interests of each special needs child.

Some topics of discussion include:

- Government benefits for individuals with disabilities
- How to accumulate and preserve assets without disqualifying eligibility for benefits
- Establishing guardianship
- Estate planning and wills
- Special needs trusts – how they work and why they're useful
- Strategies for funding trusts

The seminar begins at 7:00 p.m. and will run approximately 1 1/2 hours. If you are interested in attending this free seminar, please contact **Janet Mouliere** at 516-520-6067 or email her at Janet.mouliere@littlevillage.org.

ASHA Conference at Little Village

Practical & Playful Strategies for Autism Intervention:

A Socially Speaking® Seminar

April 21, 2017

Registration 8:00am

Conference 8:30am - 4:00pm

Presenter:

Penina Pearl Rybak MA/CCC-SLP, TSHH

.6 CEUs offered

For Information about, please contact
Jessica Resnick or **Kim Neary** at 516-520-6076,
visit our website at www.littlevillage.org,
or email ashace@littlevillage.org.



Hagedorn Little Village School is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area. ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

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26th Annual Golf Classic June 5, 2017

Join us for Tee?

Save the Date!

Great New
Venue!



Contact Jennifer Kirincic
516-520-6043 or
Jennifer.kirincic@littlevillage.org
For more information

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"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

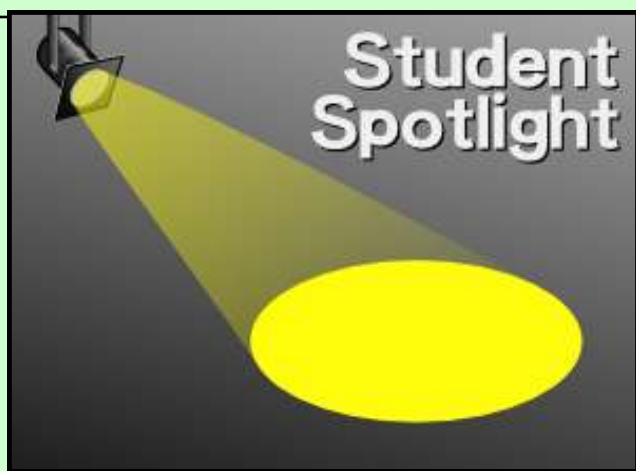
-Dr. Seuss

Teacher **Ilene DeMarco** and the students in Room 10am LOVE to read books!

The children had so much fun learning about Dr. Seuss and reading all of the funny, silly, rhyming books that he wrote. Their favorite book was *Green Eggs and Ham*. They enjoyed playing a Dr. Seuss board game with their friends, and especially loved making and wearing "Cat in the Hat" hats and coloring special placemats for Dr. Seuss' 113th birthday on March 2nd.

We Love Books in Room 10am!





Student Spotlight — Braydon Gerber

Braydon Gerber is an adorable young man who will be turning 5 years old soon. Braydon started Little Village in September 2015. He loves coming to school and can't wait to see his friends in Miss Tara's class.



Braydon tells everyone all about his adventures and can't wait to show his friends in school his "treasures". Braydon's favorite activities in class are playing with the superheroes and robots and when he grows up, he wants to drive a Camaro.



According to his mom, "Bray" is their miracle baby and is a "high energy bundle of goofiness". He loves to go on walks and hunt for dino bones or shells. He loves being outside and even rides his bicycle when there is snow on the ground! If he's not outside, you can find him dancing, especially to his two favorite songs: "I Love Rock n Roll" by Joan Jett and "We are the Champions" by Queen. Braydon is loved by everyone, but especially by his Grandma and Pop Pop, "the loves of his life!"



Tag Holders For Sale!

The students in Room 8 and Room 60 (**Teachers Gina Barone and Amanda Brower**) have been hard at work creating "goods" for the "consumers" at Little Village. The students produced 100 tag holders that were hand decorated. They really enjoyed selling them to the staff at Little Village!





Scholastic Book Fair



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Room 63pm Explores Colors

The early intervention children in room 63pm along with Teacher **Ann Puleio** learned all about colors and rainbows through a variety of books, crafts, and sensory activities.

The focus for the week was green to get ready for St. Patrick's Day.

