# Superintendent Zipp's...

Week in Review (3/13-3/17)

#### Quote of the Week

"FORGIVENESS doesn't excuse their behavior. FORGIVENESS prevents the behavior from destroying your heart again."

### WE WANT YOU!

We are looking for volunteers from families and community members to participate in our District-Wide Multicultural Festival in May. Please watch the video below to hear about the incredible event and how to sign up to display your culture!



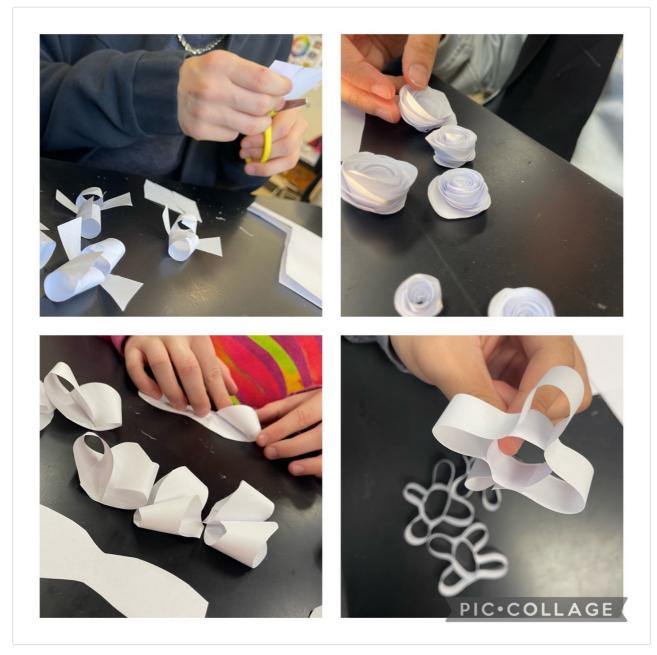
Healthy Behavior...

The Cheektowaga Police Department worked with the students enrolled in Introduction to Law Enforcement. This week students learned about healthy eating and making healthy food choices. Students learned how packaging and words on a bottle don't always indicate an accurate description of what they may be eating!



# 3-D

Studio art students are working on creating 3-D paper sculptures. They will use their knowledge of composition, rhythm and balance to create a well-organized paper relief sculpture.



#### EZ Meals...

Mrs. Franusiak and Mrs Hoadley's 1st grade classes received a \$20 gift card for Wegmans from the Play 60 Challenge. We chose various green fruits and vegetables for the students to taste test and talked about why it's important to eat healthy. The students tried mangoes, avocados, cucumbers, peppers, french green beans, grapes, and honeydew.



#### Meet Billy Buffalo...

5th grade Way to Go Warrior recipients were selected to participate in flag football at Highmark Stadium on Tuesday, March 14th. This incentive was provided for consistently following the 5 B's: Be ready and on time, Be responsible, Be respectful, Be safe, & Be kind.

Coach Fish and Mr. Ryan traveled with the students and helped coach & motivate the players to do their best. The players won both games and demonstrated good sportsmanship. Way to go to all that participated!!!!



#### 21st Century Genius Hour...

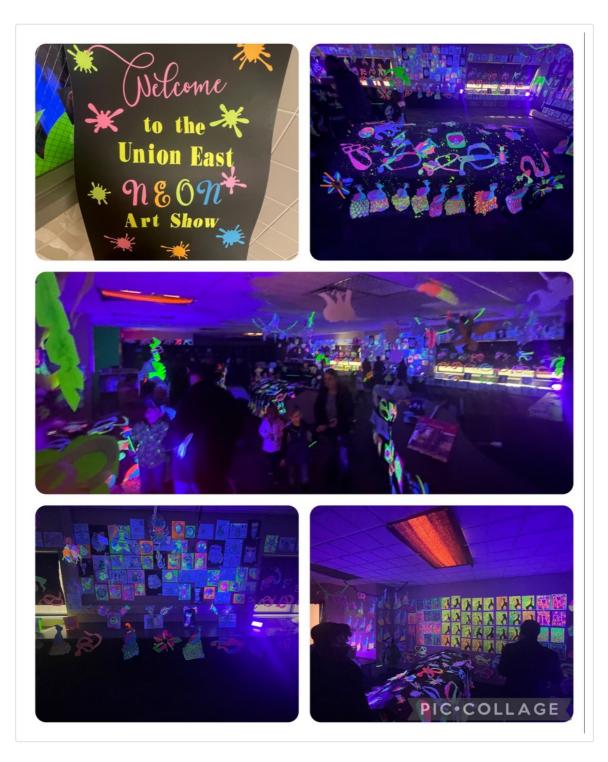
On March 15th, the students in Miss Hlavaty, Ms. Reeb, and Ms. Mehltretter's 4th Grade 21st Century classes hosted Ms. Stroud and Mrs. Stark's 3rd Grade 21st Century classes to show off their inventions during a "Mini Invention Convention." The 4th-grade students had to share the inventions that they created during our weekly Genius Hour over the past few weeks. The 3rd-grade students took notes on their favorite inventions and will vote on their top three picks. Then, the winning 4th-grade pairs will be entered into the WNY Invention Convention which will take place on April 30th at the Buffalo Museum of Science.



#### Union East Open House

Union East hosted their open house this past Thursday where teachers welcomed all families with open arms and smiles! In addition to the welcoming and positive atmosphere, our families experienced an incredible art show, a community resource fair with over 20 vendors, a book fair, and a NYS Assessment informational session hosted by AIS instructors.





#### Musical All Stars...

On Saturday March 11th, Zoe Zimmer, Felicia Dorman, Caleb Janis, Amidat Eniola, Maci Makulski and Riley Speaker had the opportunity to sing with students all over the county for ECMEA's Junior High Area All State Music Festival. These students participated in two rigorous rehearsals Friday, March 10th and Saturday morning March 11th before their concert. The students were conducted by Jill Neuhaus from the Ken-Ton School District and accompanied by Carolyn Lokken.



#### It is in your DNA...

8th grade Biology students modeling a genetic engineering process. Students using manipulatives to demonstrate replication and modification.



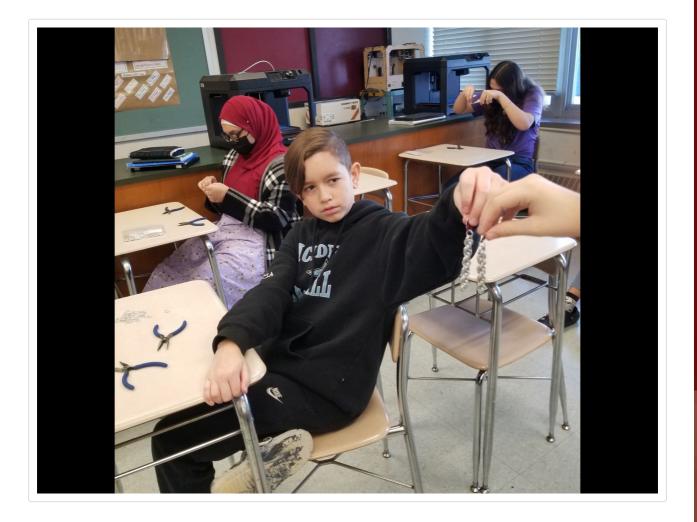




# Workforce Wednesday Welcomes Tops Markets to the High School...



Students comparing work on their chainmail projects in technology class.



High School Students attended the National College Fair at the Buffalo Convention Center



### Cheektowaga Connects with the Community while volunteering at FeedMore of WNY



# Together is Better...

High School Band students performed a side-by-side piece with the 7th and 8th grade band at the annual All Band Concert on March 15th.

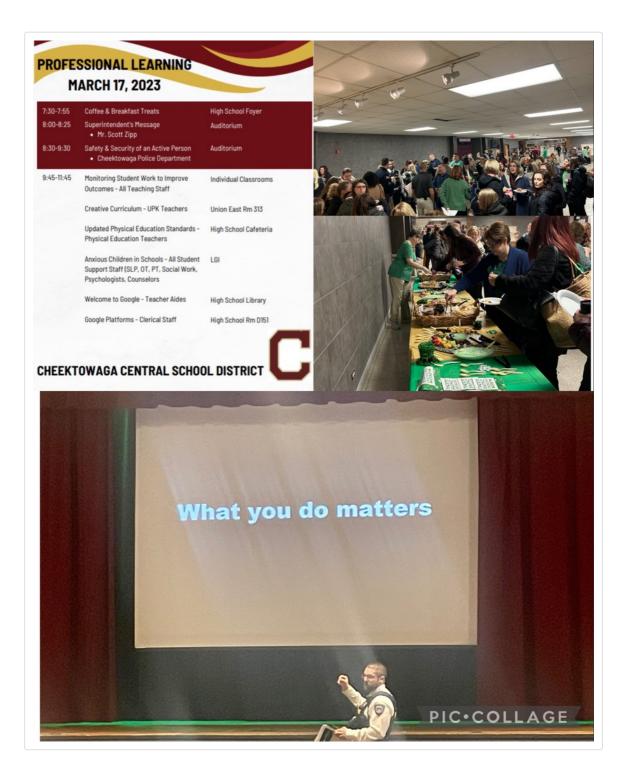


Grade 5-12 All Band Concert 🖓



#### Life Long Learners...

All CCSD staff participated in Professional Learning that ranged from school safety (CPD), educational strategies and planning, student relationships, recognizing trauma, and technology platforms.



#### Kindergarteners celebrate St. Patrick's Day! \*



# Lucky Charms...

Our littlest Warriors discovered Leprechaun Gold under the Rainbow! After a week of Leprechaun tricks, Rainbow songs, Parachute Play and Activities in Gross Motor...we were so excited to find THE Pot of Gold! Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Join us Next Week...

#### **>>** Being Positive for Our Kids: Promoting Social Emotional Strengths

#### >> March 23, 2023 at 6 p.m.

Stephanie S. Fredrick, Ph.D., NCSP Licensed Psychologist Nationally Certified School Psychologist Associate Director, Alberti Center for Bully Abuse Prevention University at Buffalo, SUNY

Interdisciplinary research from the fields of education and psychology make it clear that we should be focusing on the social emotional health of children and adolescents. Social emotional skills create a sense of accomplishment, contribute to satisfying relationships, enhance the ability to cope with stress, and promote social and academic development. The session will describe the concept of social emotional learning, the importance of strength-based approaches, and what parents can do to enhance the social emotional strengths of children and adolescents within home or educational settings.

#### Looking into next week...

March 21st- Board of Education Work Session at 6:00pm

March 21st- Grade 5-12 All Chorale Concert at 7:00pm in the High School Auditorium

**March 23rd-** Parent Presentation "Promoting Social Emotional Strengths" at 6:00pm in the High School Auditorium

#### HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

Scott Zipp Superintendent



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