

#### Celebrating 50 Years!

Providing Education, Careers & Lifelong Community for Children and Adults with Special Needs ECLC—Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence

Please visit our website at www.eclcofnj.org/ for more information about our school and for ways you can help. Review our Parent-Student Handbook at http://www.eclcofnj.org/downloads/2019-2020-handbook-hohokus.pdf Weekly Newsletter – Friday, May 7, 2021

#### What's Happening at ECLC



Ho-Ho-Kus Police Officer Jamie Bodart was presented with a card signed by everyone at ECLC to thank him for his many years of service to the Ho-Ho-Kus community. Happy retirement, Officer Bodart!

#### Upcoming Dates

May 10-14—Special Education Week (see flyer for our fun school spirit days)

May 11—Virtual Art Show

May 28-NO SCHOOL; Unused Snow Day

May 31—No School; Memorial Day



As part of Pay It Forward Week, students and staff donated 125 pairs of shoes to Soles 4 Souls, an organization that creates opportunities for women in developing nations to start and sustain small businesses.





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# Curriculum in the News







The students in Ms. Johnson's class had a blast exploring leisure activities by playing charades and Pictionary.











Our physical education classes are finding their balance! These balancing activities can help students develop better concentration while having fun.

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Room 207 celebrated the Kentucky Derby on April 30th. They had a scavenger hunt, decorated horse-shaped cookies, had a horse race, played pin the tail on the horse, and of course wore their fanciest derby hats.





Michael P. sang Room 202's greeting song in music class, "You've Got a Friend in Me" from *Toy Story*.



Chelsey G. practiced building this unique structure in PT.

This fun activity promotes bilateral hand use.

## Curriculum in the News





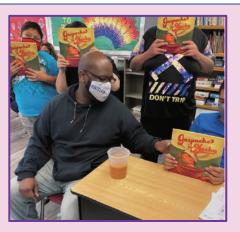


Room 204 is excited that Mahesh joined us this week for in-person learning. The students used the social skills that they have been working during the year to greet him and make introductions. Mahesh also had the opportunity to walk around the school building with a staff member to learn where different classes, specials, and therapies are located. During this tour, he got to meet one of our school social workers and class manager, Ms. Marmo, and our principal, Mrs. Lindorff.

Welcome to the ECLC Family!









Room 102 read the book *Gazpacho for Nacho* this week and upon completion of the book made gazpacho. As a group, they cut tomatoes, mixed in green peppers and diced tomatoes using a blender, and seasoned their cold soup. They had a great time reading, cooking, and socializing.



May 4, 2021
Dear Parents/Guardians,

A contact from The Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ has reached out to us and is offering COVID-19 vaccines.

They are offering the Pfizer vaccine to any students 16 years and older, along with any family members, who would like to receive the vaccine. They are expecting that the FDA will announce that the Pfizer vaccine can be given to children 12 years and older in the near future. When this announcement comes, you are welcome and encouraged to set up your child and other family members this same way. The vaccine will be given at their site in Paramus and they are offering a drive-thru option.

If you are interested in taking advantage of this for your child or any other family members, you can contact Collette Cummings at 201-291-6219. She will take care of the registration process and set up your appointments. If Collette isn't in to answer your call, you can leave a message and she will call you back. Let her know that your child attends ECLC of NJ.

If you take advantage of this vaccination opportunity or your child has already been vaccinated, please send us a copy of your child's vaccination card. This will help us to determine if they have to quarantine if they are identified as a close contact. If they are fully vaccinated—two weeks after the final dose—and are not having any COVID symptoms, they will not have to quarantine.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions, and stay well! Warmly,

Liz Horgan & Kristen Frey

**School Nurses** 







Dear Parents,

Please join us for another virtual parent workshop!

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021** 

Workshop: What happens after ECLC?

CPS (Community Personnel Services) Director Mary Griggs will provide information for parents on what happens to your child after ECLC. This is open to parents of all ages as it is an important process to start navigating at any age.

Presenter: Mrs. Mary Griggs, Director of CPS

**Time: 7:00 PM** 

Please be sure to RSVP to Cynthia Chaanine <u>cchaanine@eclcofnj.org</u> no later than May 21<sup>st</sup>. The link will be sent to you once you have confirmed that you will be attending. <u>PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU WILL</u> NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN THE WORKSHOP UNLESS YOU SEND ME AN EMAIL LETTING ME KNOW.

Thank you, Cynthia Chaanine, LCSW



# May 10-14, 2021 Special Education Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14
Mix & Match Day  Mix and match your outfit with different colors and patterns!	Jazz Up Your Mask  Dress up and decorate your mask while we celebrate our Virtual Art Show! (materials will be provided)  Virtual Art Show	Silly Sock Day  Wear your silliest,  most fun socks!	USA Day  Sport your red, white, and blue today!  Virtual Dance Program Assembly partnered with HHK Public School  Staff Appreciation Day	ECLC School Pride Wear burgundy for ECLC School Spirit!
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### **Support Our Special Olympics Team**

\$5.00 per pair of ears

Disney Hat Day Friday, May 21st!!!!

All donations go to ECLC Special Olympics team

Deadline May 14th





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### 2021 Sibling Leadership Network Conference

The Sibling Leadership Network (SLN) is a national organization that provides siblings of individuals with disabilities the information, support and tools to advocate with their brothers and sisters and to promote the issues important to them and their entire families.

Please see the information below for the 2021 Sibling Leadership Network Conference:

What: 2021 Sibling Leadership Network Conference

When: June 18 & 19th with post-conference workshops on June 22, 23, & 24th

Where: Virtually on Zoom

Who: Adult siblings of people with disabilities and parents/family members and professionals

Why: To provide a space for adult siblings and sibling supporters to connect for peer support and share information

**How much:** Ranges from \$18-30 per day/ticket

Visit: www.siblingleadership.org for more details and to register

We are also continuing to look for **Sponsors for the conference**. See more information here: https://siblingleadership.org/2021-sibling-leadership-network-national-conference-sponsorship/

Please contact Katie Arnold, Executive Director of the Sibling Leadership Network, with any questions:

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