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MIDLAND

MONTHLY



April was Occupational Therapy Month, and The Midland School is home to six of the most dedicated and talented therapists.

Our students are truly fortunate to have these exceptional therapists working with them. They consistently create engaging and enjoyable activities during their treatment sessions, making the journey to reaching their goals fun and rewarding for our students.

(From bottom left to right), Ms. Suzy Frank, Mrs. Michelle Creighton-Jones, Miss Megan Chemey

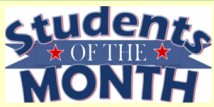
From top left to right), Mrs. Debbie Gallagher, Mrs. Cathy Munro, Mrs. Jessica England and Mrs. Suzanne DeGerolamo



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The Choice is Yours



The April Social Skills theme was:
Respect & Responsibility

Congratulations to our Students of the month:

209 – Luca 217– Aleeah 218– Keyla

219 – Marco 220– Annabella

The May Social Skills is: Flexible Thinking & Coping with Change

Celebrations

Everyone born in May is aMAYzing! May this year bring you endless joy and happiness. Best wishes are sent your way hoping you'll have a wonderful day!



HAPPY May Birthday!



Students

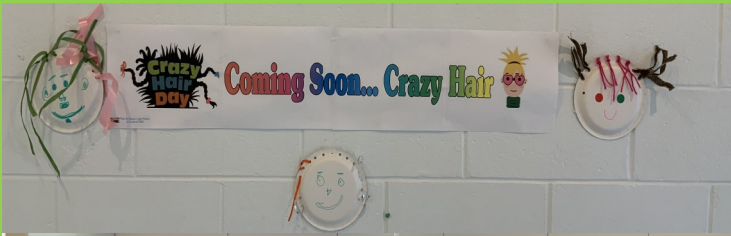
- Thomas
- Dylan
- Ashley
- Ian
- Aidan

Staff

- Ms. Paul
- Mrs. Danco
- Mrs. Shea
- Ms. Cifelli
- Mr. Dornick
- Mrs. Ouimette
- Mrs. Benitez
- Mrs. Furnari
- Mrs. Ninni
- Mr. Sutton
- Ms. Steeneck



School News



Students and staff enjoyed a Crazy Hair School Spirit Day on April 12. So many arrived at school with their hair styled in a silly, wacky, or creative manner.



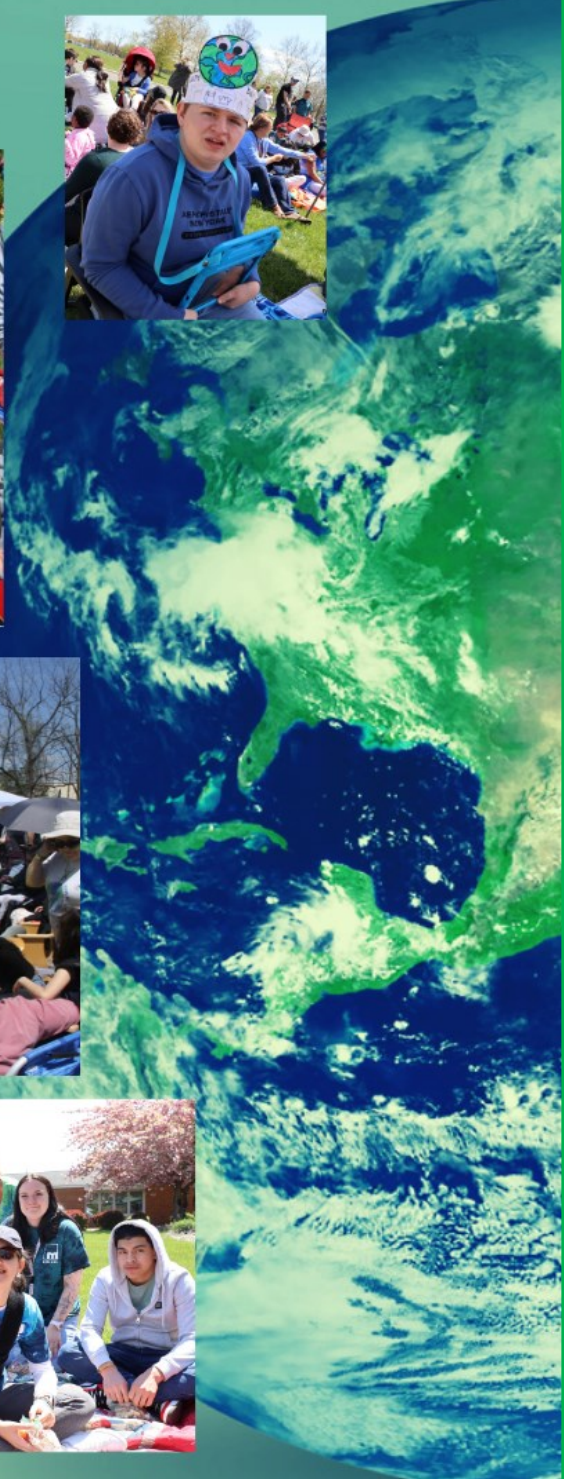
CRAZY HAIR DAY





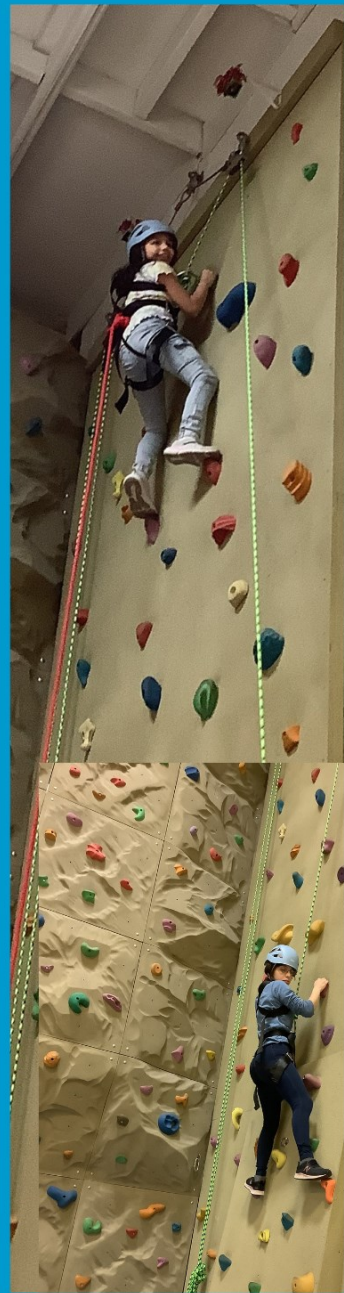
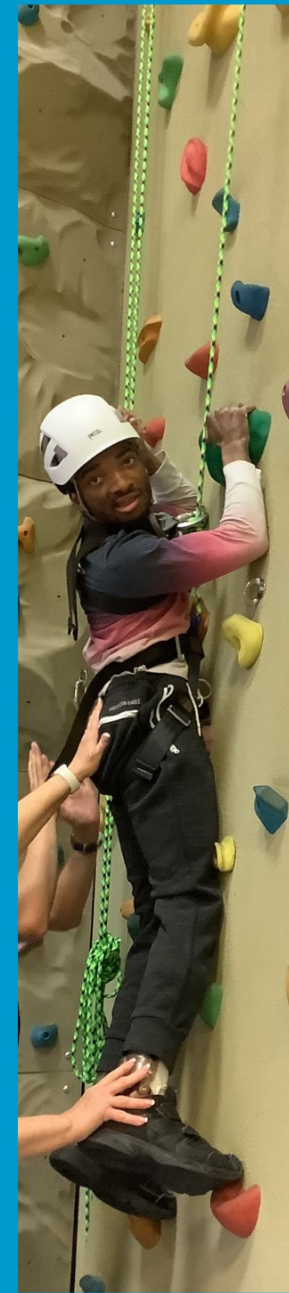
The weather was perfect for everyone to gather outside, listen to music, and relax on the lawn during an Earth Day assembly on Friday, April 26th. Students and staff wore green to remind us that we have only one Earth, and it is our job to keep it a healthy and happy place to live.

Earth Day Assembly



Accomplishments

During the rock climbing unit, the students reached new heights. Every year, they challenge themselves to climb higher to reach the top and ring the bell.



Learning Institute

HOUSING: A Guide to Understanding and Accessing Supported Housing

Presented by: Patricia Brennan, Director CCP Waiting List, DHS Shawn McInerney, Midland President & CEO

When: Friday, May 17, 2024, 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Where: In-Person with a Virtual Option The Midland School Great Room, 2nd Floor (Main Entrance by Gym)

Understanding and managing the process of securing another home for your adult child can be a significant challenge without the necessary knowledge. This presentation will provide critical information on the basics of the system of attaining and maintaining supported housing for individuals with developmental disabilities in an understandable and “user friendly” manner. Specific topics will include Priority Waiting Lists, Community Care Program, and Self-Directed Services. At the conclusion of Ms. Brennan’s presentation, key Midland staff will lead an overview of Midland’s five-year housing plan. If you plan to attend, either in-person or virtually, please email Dr. Enos at enos@midlandnj.org by Wednesday, May 15th.



The Alliance
of Private Special Education
Schools of North Jersey

JOIN US ON SATURDAY, MAY 18th

Get Your Free Tickets TODAY

If you had a ticket for our March date, you do not need to re-register.

The Alliance of Private Special Education Schools of North Jersey presents

Special Needs Resource Fair & Family Fun Day

Saturday • 11-1 pm • May 18, 2024
Union College, Cranford NJ

More than 60 Resource Tables:

- private schools
- summer camps
- recreation programs
- advocacy help
- transition services
- family support
- ABA providers
- financial planners
- state agencies
- therapies
- attorneys

Meet

- Spiderman
- Captain America
- Peppa Pig
- Elmo

- Carnival Games
- Activities
- Superheroes
- Door Prizes
- Balloon Animals
- Face Painters
- Glitter Tattoos

New Date
Saturday,
May 18th, 2024

OUT OF THIS WORLD!

MOVE FOR MIDLAND

JUNE 1, 2024
3:00 - 5:30 PM

USE THE LINK OR QR CODE BELOW FOR EVENT DETAILS AND CREATING YOUR PAGE

<https://bit.ly/3Varruq>

The Midland School
94 Readington Road
North Branch, NJ

May Calendar

Wednesday, May 1st

Project ACES

9:40—10:20 AM

Tuesday, May 7th

**Student Council celebrates Staff
National Teacher's Day**

Saturday, May 11th

**Somerset County Special Olympics
Manville High School Athletic Fields**

Friday, May 17th

500 Wing Dress-up Dance

Friday, May 24th

**Midland Thanks the Military
Dress patriotically, 10:00 AM**

Friday, May 24th

Early Dismissal—1:00 PM

Monday, May 27th

School Closed—Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 29th

Pizza—hot lunch

Thursday, May 30th

Yearbook signing—1:40—2:30 PM

Friday, May 31st

**School Spirit Day
Favorite Singer Day**

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