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2023-24 Parent Newsletter #3

***Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families
from the JKO family!!!***

“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.” **John F. Kennedy**

The Administrative Team and I would like wish all staff a very enjoyable and relaxing Thanksgiving.

On November 23rd, the U.S. will celebrate Thanksgiving. Have you ever wondered how the holiday started? If so, then please read below...



The Origins of Thanksgiving

Did you know?

Lobster, seal and swans were on the Pilgrims' menu.

Thanksgiving at Plymouth

In September 1620, a small ship called the Mayflower left Plymouth, England, carrying 102 passengers—an assortment of religious separatists seeking a new home where they could freely practice their faith and other individuals lured by the promise of prosperity and land ownership in the New World. After a treacherous and uncomfortable crossing that lasted 66 days, they dropped anchor near the tip of Cape Cod, far north of their intended destination at the mouth of the Hudson River. One month later, the Mayflower crossed Massachusetts Bay, where the Pilgrims, as they are now commonly known, began the work of establishing a village at Plymouth.





Throughout that first brutal winter, most of the colonists remained on board the ship, where they suffered from exposure, scurvy and outbreaks of contagious disease. Only half of the Mayflower's original passengers and crew lived to see their first New England spring. In March, the remaining settlers moved ashore, where they received an astonishing visit from an Abenaki Indian who greeted them in English. Several days later, he returned with another Native American, Squanto, a member of the Pawtuxet tribe who had been kidnapped by an English sea captain and sold into slavery before

escaping to London and returning to his homeland on an exploratory expedition. Squanto taught the Pilgrims, weakened by malnutrition and illness, how to cultivate corn, extract sap from maple trees, catch fish in the rivers and avoid poisonous plants. He also helped the settlers forge an alliance with the Wampanoag, a local tribe, which would endure for more than 50 years and tragically remains one of the sole examples of harmony between European colonists and Native Americans.

In November 1621, after the Pilgrims' first corn harvest proved successful, Governor William Bradford organized a celebratory feast and invited a group of the fledgling colony's Native American allies, including the Wampanoag chief Massasoit. Now remembered as America's "first Thanksgiving"—although the Pilgrims themselves may not have used the term at the time—the festival lasted for three days. While no record exists of the historic banquet's exact menu, the Pilgrim chronicler Edward Winslow wrote in his journal that Governor Bradford sent four men on a "fowling" mission in preparation for the event, and that the Wampanoag guests arrived bearing five deer. Historians have suggested that many of the dishes were likely prepared using traditional Native American spices and cooking methods. Because the Pilgrims had no oven and the Mayflower's sugar supply had dwindled by the fall of 1621, the meal did not feature pies, cakes or other desserts, which have become a hallmark of contemporary celebrations.



Thanksgiving Becomes an Official Holiday

Pilgrims held their second Thanksgiving celebration in 1623 to mark the end of a long drought that had threatened the year's harvest and prompted Governor Bradford to call for a religious fast. Days of fasting and thanksgiving on an annual or occasional basis became common practice in other New England settlements as well. During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress designated one or more days of thanksgiving a year, and in 1789 George Washington issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation by the national government of the United States; in it, he called upon Americans to express their gratitude for the happy conclusion to the country's war of independence and the successful ratification of the U.S. Constitution. His successors John Adams and James Madison also designated days of





thanks during their presidencies.

In 1817, New York became the first of several states to officially adopt an annual Thanksgiving holiday; each celebrated it on a different day, however, and the American South remained largely unfamiliar with the tradition. In 1827, the noted magazine editor and prolific writer Sarah Josepha Hale—author, among countless other things, of the nursery rhyme “Mary Had a Little Lamb”—launched a campaign to establish Thanksgiving as a national holiday. For 36 years, she published numerous editorials and sent scores of letters to governors, senators, presidents and other politicians. Abraham Lincoln finally heeded her request in 1863, at the height of the Civil War, in a proclamation entreating all Americans to ask God to “commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife” and to “heal the wounds of the nation.” He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November, and it was celebrated on that day every year until 1939, when Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the holiday up a week in an attempt to spur retail sales during the Great Depression. Roosevelt's plan, known derisively as Franksgiving, was met with passionate opposition, and in 1941 the president reluctantly signed a bill making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November.

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FROM THE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT:

HELLO AUTUMN!!



- ❖ **1st period Class begins at 8:20 am.** Students need to arrive to school before 8:20 AM and on time regularly so that they are able to effectively engage in their first period lesson. Lateness adversely impacts a child's academic performance. **The school day ends at 2:40 pm.**
- ❖ **If your child is or will be absent,** please contact Ms. Garcia (9-10th Grade Students) at ext. 5052 or email at NGarcia33@schools.nyc.gov ; Mrs. Vega-Beltran (11-12th Grade Students) at ext. 5091 or via email at NVega11@schools.nyc.gov ; or Ms. Bernabel, Parent Coordinator, at ext. 1012 or email at ABernabel@schools.nyc.gov . **Please be sure to send a doctor's note if your child has a medical appointment.**
- ❖ **Please keep track of your child's academic progress, grades, and attendance in their classes through the SyncGrades website.** If you would like to schedule meetings with teachers on Tuesdays, please contact your child's School Counselor.
- ❖ **NO SCHOOL – November 7th (Tuesday) Election Day**
- **November 23-24th (Thursday & Friday) Thanksgiving**
- ❖ **Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on November 16th (Day) and November 17th (Night).** We will distribute information as we get closer to the dates.
- ❖ In order to maintain a positive learning environment, it is **expected that students dress in a professional manner. We expect students to be dressed appropriately** to ensure safety and to keep the focus on teaching and learning. **We would like all parents and guardians to remind students of proper dress protocols on campus.**
Prohibited forms of dress at school include, but are not limited to:
 - 1) Clothing that contains references to drugs, alcohol, sex, violence, racism, or gang-affiliation.
 - 2) Revealing clothing that does not provide coverage of torso, undergarments, and private body parts, including see-through garments of any kind.
 - 3) Sunglasses while indoors.
- ❖ **If you need assistance providing your child clothing, please contact your child's counselor.**
- ❖ **Students are NOT ALLOWED TO USE CELL PHONES DURING SCHOOL HOURS. This includes ipads that are connected to their phones.** They must keep their phones locked in their yonder pouch. **In case of an emergency, please call the school to contact your child and students can use a school office phone to contact their parent/guardian.**
- ❖ **Please have your child meet for one on one academic/personal progress meetings with their counselor immediately:** Ms. Garcia (9-10th Graders) and Mrs. Vega-Beltran (11-12th Graders). This

meeting is important to ensure they are on track academically with their progress towards graduation and to check in on their personal well-being.

- ❖ **Please have your child attend tutoring and join extra-curricular activities** to be an active member of the school community. This a great way for students to make new friends, network, and be exposed to various activities/hobbies. Please see the schedules below:

TUTORING

<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>DAY(S)</u>	<u>TIME(S)</u>
KADISON	ENGLISH	WEDNESDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
PELLETIER	ENGLISH	WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
EL MARDI	ENGLISH	WEDNESDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
CHEN	MATH	FRIDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
HASAN	MATH	THURSDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
COLON	HISTORY	WEDNESDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
URENA	HISTORY	MONDAY	3:00 – 4:00 PM
CUMBERBATCH	SCIENCE	WEDNESDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
OKWABI	SCIENCE	WEDNESDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM
MATHEW	BUSINESS	THURSDAY	2:45 – 3:45 PM

JKO CLUBS

<p>CROCHET CLUB - Ms. Pelletier - Meets on THURSDAY from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p> <p>SLAM - Ms. Pelletier -Meets on Thursday from 3:40 -4:00 pm</p> <p>GLAMOUR GIRLS -Ms. Cumberbatch - Meets on Thursday from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p> <p>NHS- Ms. D - Meets on Wednesday from 2:50 -3:45 pm</p> <p>SMASH ARTS - Ms. D -Meets on Friday from 2:50 -3:45 pm</p> <p>DANCE CLUB -Ms. Tepper - Meets on Thursday from 3 -4 pm</p> <p>Tutoring Masters -Ms. Alcorn and Mr. Hassan - Tuesday and Wednesday from 2:45-3:45 pm</p>	<p>VOLLEYBALL CLUB- Ms. Rushforth - Meets on Monday from 3:40-4:40 pm</p> <p>CHESS -Mr. Chen -Meets on Tuesday from 3:20-4:20 pm</p> <p>FITNESS CLUB - Mr. Chen -Meets on Wednesday from 2:50 -3:45 pm</p> <p>MUSIC CLUB -Mr. Chen -Meets on Thursday from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p> <p>YEARBOOK CLUB- Ms. Kadison/Mr. De La Cruz - Meets on Thursday from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p> <p>HELPING HANDS - Ms. Kadison - Meets on Thursday from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p> <p>COOKING CLUB -Mr. Urena - Meets on TUESDAY from 2:45 -3:45 pm</p>
<p>Student Government- Ms.O - Meets on Thursday from 2:45- 3:45 pm</p> <p>Senior Council -Ms. O (ALTERNATING WEEKS) - Meets on Thursday from 2:45- 3:45 pm</p> <p>Weight Lifting -Mr. Vincent -Meets on Thursday from 3- 4 pm</p>	

- ❖ **Please reach out to Ms. Garcia (9-10th Grades) or Mrs. Vega-Beltran (11-12th Grade) if you feel that your child needs social/emotional support.** We have an abundance of services for students at the school and can refer your family to outside resources/assistance.

Please feel free to contact your child’s School Counselor directly with any questions, concerns, or if you need assistance:

Ms. Niurkary Garcia, 9 & 10th Grade Counselor (212)391-0041 Ext. 5052 Email: NGarcia33@schools.nyc.gov

Mrs. Nicole Vega-Beltran, 11 & 12th Grade Counselor 212-391-0041 Ext. 5091 Email: NVega11@schools.nyc.gov

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Del departamento de asesoramiento:

¡Hola otoño!

- ❖ **1 periodo La clase comienza a las 8:20 am.** Los estudiantes deben llegar a la escuela antes de las 8:20 a. m. y a tiempo regularmente para que puedan participar de manera efectiva en su lección del primer período. La tardanza afecta negativamente el rendimiento académico de un niño. La jornada escolar finaliza a las 14:40 horas.
- ❖ **Si su hijo está o estará ausente,** comuníquese con la Sra. García (estudiantes de 9.º a 10.º grado) en la ext. 5052 o correo electrónico a NGarcia33@schools.nyc.gov; Sra. Vega-Beltran (Estudiantes de 11º y 12º grado) en la ext. 5091 o por correo electrónico a NVega11@schools.nyc.gov; o la Sra. Bernabel, Coordinadora de Padres, en la ext. 1012 o correo electrónico a ABernabel@schools.nyc.gov.
Asegúrese de enviar una nota del médico si su hijo tiene una cita médica.
- ❖ **Realice un seguimiento del progreso académico, las calificaciones y la asistencia a clases de su hijo a través del sitio web SyncGrades.** Si desea programar reuniones con los maestros los martes, comuníquese con el consejero escolar de su hijo.
- ❖ **NO HAY CLASES – 7 de noviembre (martes) Día de las elecciones
- 23 y 24 de noviembre (jueves y viernes) Acción de Gracias**
- ❖ **Las conferencias de padres y maestros se llevarán a cabo el 16 de noviembre (día) y el 17 de noviembre (noche).** Distribuiremos información a medida que nos acerquemos a las fechas.
- ❖ Para mantener un ambiente de aprendizaje positivo, **se espera que los estudiantes se vistan de manera profesional.** **Esperamos que los estudiantes vistan apropiadamente** para garantizar la seguridad y mantener el enfoque en la enseñanza y el aprendizaje. **Nos gustaría que todos los padres y tutores recuerden a los estudiantes los protocolos de vestimenta adecuados en el campus.**
Las formas de vestimenta prohibidas en la escuela incluyen, entre otras:
 - 1) Ropa que contenga referencias a drogas, alcohol, sexo, violencia, racismo o afiliación a pandillas.
 - 2) Ropa reveladora que no cubra el torso, la ropa interior y las partes privadas del cuerpo, incluidas prendas transparentes de cualquier tipo.
 - 3) Gafas de sol mientras esté en el interior.**Si necesita ayuda para proporcionarle ropa a su hijo, comuníquese con el consejero de su hijo.**
- ❖ **NO SE PERMITE A LOS ESTUDIANTES UTILIZAR TELÉFONOS CELULARES DURANTE EL HORARIO ESCOLAR.** Esto incluye iPads que están conectados a sus teléfonos. Deben mantener sus teléfonos bajo llave en su bolsa. **En caso de una emergencia, llame a la escuela para comunicarse con su hijo y los estudiantes pueden usar el teléfono de la oficina de la escuela para comunicarse con sus padres/tutores.**

- ❖ **Haga que su hijo se reúna inmediatamente para reuniones individuales de progreso académico/personal con su consejero:** Sra. García (estudiantes de 9.º a 10.º grado) y Sra. Vega-Beltrán (estudiantes de 11.º a 12.º grado). Esta reunión es importante para garantizar que estén encaminados académicamente con su progreso hacia la graduación y para controlar su bienestar personal.
- ❖ **Haga que su hijo asista a tutorías y se una a actividades extracurriculares para ser un miembro activo de la comunidad escolar.** Esta es una excelente manera para que los estudiantes hagan nuevos amigos, establezcan contactos y estén expuestos a diversas actividades/pasatiempos. Por favor consúltelos horarios a continuación:

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EL MARDI	Inglés	MIÉRCOLES	2:45 – 3:45 PM
CHEN	Matemáticas	VIERNES	2:45 – 3:45 PM
HASAN	Matemáticas	JUEVES	2:45 – 3:45 PM
COLON	Historia	MIÉRCOLES	2:45 – 3:45 PM
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- ❖ Comuníquese con la Sra. García (grados 9-10) o la Sra. Vega-Beltrán (grados 11-12) si cree que su hijo necesita apoyo social/emocional. Tenemos una gran cantidad de servicios para los estudiantes en la escuela y podemos derivar a su familia a recursos/asistencia externos.

No dude en comunicarse directamente con el consejero escolar de su hijo si tiene alguna pregunta, inquietud o si necesita ayuda:

Sra. Niurkary García, Consejera de 9y10 grado(212)391-0041 Ext.5052 Correo electrónico:
NGarcia33@schools.nyc.gov

Sra. Nicole Vega-Beltran, Consejera de 11º y 12º grado 212-391-0041 Ext. 5091 Correo electrónico:
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PARENT COORDINATOR CONNECTIONS

From the Desk of the
Parent Coordinator
Ms. Bernabel

ABernabel@schools.nyc.gov

Tel #929-617-0122

Tel #858-913-0155

Announcements

- Report cards for the 1st marking period were mailed out and distributed to students on Friday, November 3rd.
- Reach out to Ms. Bernabel if you have not registered for your NYC Myschools account. This is very important for parents to receive information regularly from the DOE and to be able to access certain services available online. You can register for an account at: <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/account/log-in/>
- Please complete the NYC financial forms, formerly known as Lunch Forms. While lunch is currently given to all students regardless of income, schools still need parents to complete in order to qualify for federal Title I funding. All information submitted by parents is completely confidential. The following is the link for this: <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict>.
- PTA/SLT Meetings: Our next PTA/SLT meeting will take place on Monday, December 4th. SLT commences at 4:30 pm and ends at 5:30 pm. PTA meetings commence at 6 pm to 7 pm. Additionally, meetings will be held virtually and in person (hybrid) until further notice from the DOE on any changes or options for the new school year. An email with the Zoom links will be sent to parents ten days in advance.
- Please remind your child to charge their laptops daily.
- Below please find the remainder marking periods dates for this semester:

MP End Date

MP 2: 12/11

MP 3: 1/22

- **There will be no school on Thursday, November 23rd, and Friday, November 24th, in observance of Thanksgiving.**
- Senior Contracts were previously given to seniors; they needed to be signed and returned by last Friday, November 3rd. If you haven't already done so, please sign and return the contract to Ms. Okwabi.
- Senior Pictures took place on Monday, November 6th. Please reach out to Ms. Okwabi (mokwabi@schools.nyc.gov) if your child could not make the event.
- We have 9 tickets to see **Back to the Future: The Musical** on Tuesday, November 14 (show at 7pm). It will be on a first come first serve basis but priority is given to Freshman.
- Senior Parents/guardians can send pictures of their child for the yearbook to jkyoearbook120@gmail.com (1 baby/childhood pic, a pet pic, other photos of them during the past 3 years).

In the Spotlight

On November 1st, JKO celebrated Dia de los Muertos. A BIG thank you to the SMASH Arts members and to Ms. De Gregorio for spearheading!!!



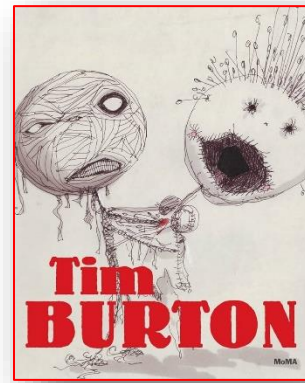
NHS & Smash Arts Productions
celebrate
Dia de los Muertos
Join us for a taste of Mexican Culture

Art! *Music!*
Food! *Drinks!*
Face Painting! *Free!*

November 1
3:00 PM -
Lobby

A large graphic of a decorated skull with floral patterns and a banner below it. The skull is white with pink and purple floral designs around the eyes and mouth. The banner below the skull contains the event details: "November 1 3:00 PM - Lobby". The background is a mix of orange and purple with decorative elements like small skulls and a banner.





A message from Ms. De Gregorio:

Hi,
I just wanted to share this collection of Tim Burton inspired self-portraits and character stories created by students in Studio Art. They're really cute and funny!
The drawings are on view on the 2nd floor hallway.

Happy Halloween!
Ms. D

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1NuFpT1wBMWryltacEoaj01ttBoKz12qUUIHyuoQGA0/edit?usp=sharing>



[Tim Burton Self-Portraits](#)

Tim Burton Self-Portraits Studio Art Fall 2023
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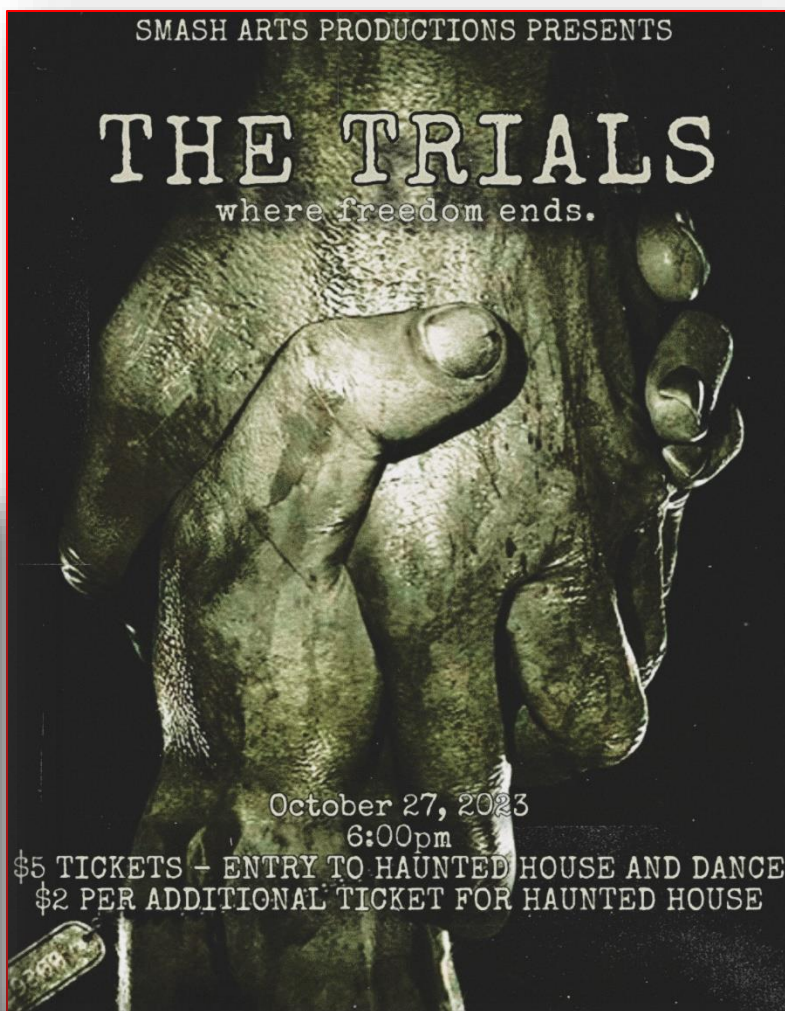
In the Spotlight

On Friday, October 27th, SMASH ARTS Productions conducted its annual Halloween Dance and Haunted House. It was SCARY fun!!! Thank you to Ms. D. for spearheading this event.

SMASH ARTS PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

THE TRIALS

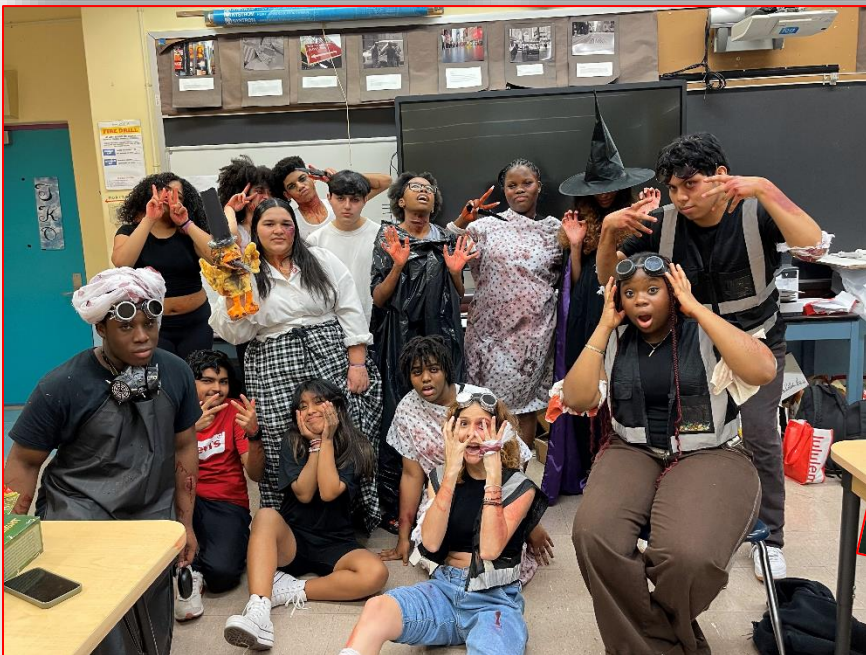
where freedom ends.



October 27, 2023
6:00pm

\$5 TICKETS - ENTRY TO HAUNTED HOUSE AND DANCE
\$2 PER ADDITIONAL TICKET FOR HAUNTED HOUSE









Let's get COOKing

On Monday, October 23rd, the Cooking Club engaged in a pasta bonanza!!! They made penne with marinara sauce from scratch. We had a delicious time.





A message from Ms. De Gregorio:

The National Honor Society held their Cabinet elections.

Congratulations to:

Anissa Ruiz - President

Evelyn Ortiz - Vice President

Leighana Plourde- Treasurer

Vanessa Lema - Secretary

We are looking forward to their leadership and inspiration to make NHS thrive this year.

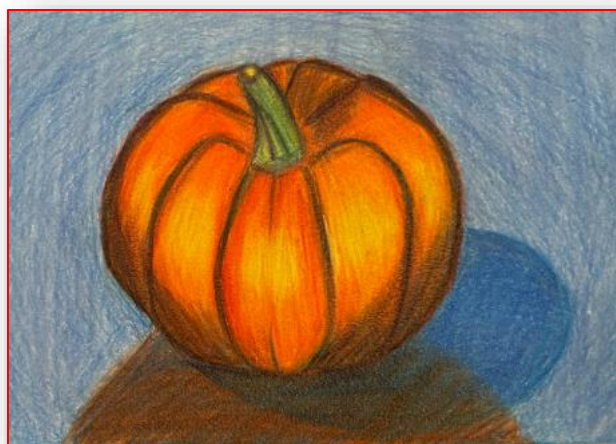
Congratulations!





On Tuesday, October 10th, the Cooking Club made guacamole from scratch. Then they enjoyed their treat with some corn tortilla chips. A BIG thank you to Ms. Acosta and Ms. Bernabel for facilitating.





A message from Ms. De Gregorio:

Analogous Colors; Pumpkin Drawing
Medium: Colored Pencil on drawing paper

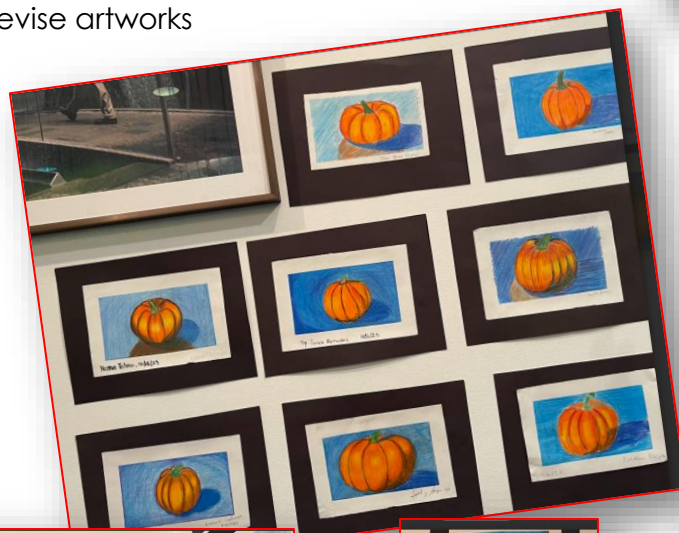
Students applied concepts of color theory, knowledge of color categories and color schemes, to create a realistic pumpkin drawing using analogous colors and color blending. Students could not use brown or black colored pencils and learned how to create shadows blending blue and orange to make browns. They also used Complementary colors of blue and orange so the pumpkin would be in stark contrast to the blue background.

We hope you enjoy our Pumpkin Patch of drawings!

Ms. De Gregorio

Studio Art Periods 1, 2 & 7

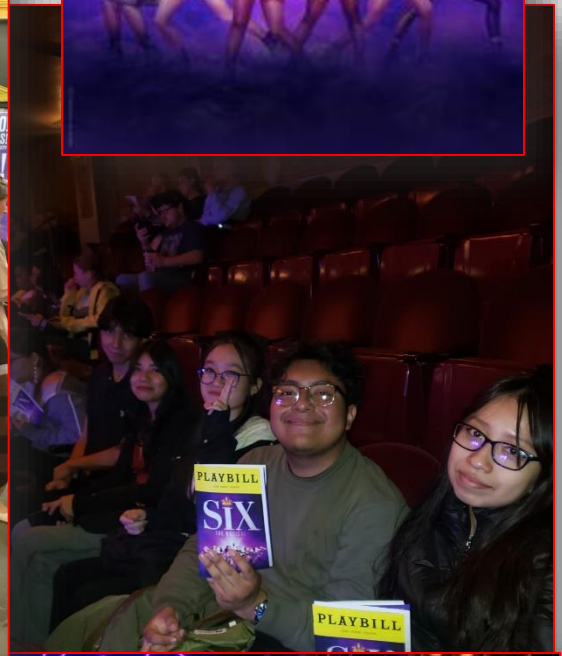
CCLS W4- produce clear and coherent writing (artwork)
National Core Art Standards Anchor Standard 1 Creating artworks
Anchor Standard 2 Organize and develop artistic ideas and work
Anchor Standard 3 Revise artworks



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On Wednesday, October 18th, JKO students attended the Broadway show Six. It was AMAZING! Thank you Ms. Kadison for spearheading this trip.





Movie Night

NHS PRESENTS
CORALINE
MOVIE NIGHT
OCTOBER 20 - AT 4PM
BRING YOUR BLANKETS AND PAJAMAS!
\$2 ENTRY - \$4 SNACK BUNDLE
ROOM 301

