



John Eliot School Bulletin

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Principal's News:

VETERANS VISIT ELIOT

This morning, Eliot students were greeted by Corporal Picariello, a WWII Marine Veteran and Specialist Fifth Class Prorok, an Army Vietnam Veteran, in honor of Veteran's day on Monday. The Veterans recited the Pledge of Allegiance with two of our Fifth graders and later spoke briefly with Mrs. Wankowicz's 5th grade students. The students asked them questions about serving our country and their roles. The kids were especially interested in speaking to Corporal Picariello who is a graduate of Eliot school when the school consisted of 60 students and 4 classrooms for grades Kindergarten to Fifth grade. We were honored to have these visitors and grateful they were able to join us to remind us of the importance of Veteran's day.



SPOTLIGHT ON FIRST GRADE

In science, first graders are learning to compare and contrast the life cycles of two or more organisms. We are very fortunate to have the Needham Science Center as a resource to help with this learning! In September, the science center provided the classrooms with caterpillars. Students were able to observe and record the changes that took place as the caterpillar became a beautiful butterfly.

First graders also took a field trip to the science center in October to learn all about the life cycle of an oak tree. They started off with a play that allowed all students to act out the life cycle of an oak tree. Students

later went for a walk through the Eastman Conservation area and observed oak trees in various life cycle stages. They were even able to open up acorns and observe the root and the stem! A huge THANK YOU to the science center for creating such wonderful experiences for our students!

ELIOT SPIRIT DAY

Next Wednesday, November 13, Eliot school will have their first Spirit day. Students that would like to participate should wear their Light Blue Eliot Eagle T-shirt from last spring or anything Eliot related.

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found is growing and growing. Please be sure to check it the next time you are in the building for an open house or a conference. The Lost and Found is located in the cafeteria.



NEEDHAM HAPPENINGS

Pearson Memorial Award

Needham Youth & Family Services is now accepting nominations for the Patrick and Patricia Forde Good Person Memorial Award.

This award is designed to recognize a Needham adult who helps make the community a better place for youth and families through his/her volunteer work. Applications and more information can be found on our website: www.needhamma.gov or by emailing Sara Shine, sshine@needhamma.gov. Deadline for nominations is December 1, 2019.

11/11/2019	No School - Veteran's Day	
11/13/2019	Eliot Spirit day - Wear your Eliot Gear	
11/27/2019	No School - Professional Development Day	
11/28-29/2019	THANKSGIVING RECESS	
12/11/2019	Early Release Day	Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.
12/17/2019	Winter Chorus Assembly for students	Performance Center at 8:45 a.m.
12/17/2019	Winter Instrument Assembly for students	Performance Center at 1:30 p.m.

12/17/2019	Winter FAMILY Concert	Performance Center at 6:30 p.m.
12/23 - 1/1/20	WINTER RECESS	
1/2/2020	School Resumes after winter recess	



See you next week!