

## May Newsletter

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# The Beebe Bulletin

### Kindergarten Kindness

By: Wendy Yaakov

The kindergarten students are busy practicing for their show, **The Best Part of Kindergarten is being Kind!** It showcases the many ways the children learn kindness from school, home, and books. Together they are singing about helpful hands, doing kind deeds, and celebrating our differences. Elephant and Piggie, 2 beloved book characters come to life as well! What a great collaborative experience for the whole kindergarten team! First stop Beebe, next stop Broadway!



### Grade 3 Field Trip

By: Christina Cunningham

The third grade field trip was awesome. The students acted, dumped tea, and learned a lot about the American Revolution. Here they are as Patriots yelling "huzzah!"



### Terracycle and Little Bites

By: Joanna Kotowski

Terracycle received our shipment of pouches on 4-5-19, and the Beebe students collected 2,625 pouches. Great work everyone!! As a result, we earned 5,250 points. We are hoping to collect over 900 pounces before the end of the school year with a deadline of 6/7/19

Please continue to collect, save, and deposit the pouches into the Terracycle barrel in the foyer.

Thank you for making our planet a little greener!!!



## MWRA's Annual Poster & Writing Contest

By: Carolyn DiSalvatore

Elina Yang, a 7th grader, won an Honorable Mention in the MWRA's Annual Poster & Writing Contest. Elina's design was about engineering and how to keep drinking water clean. The MWRA will be presenting awards to all the winners at a ceremony on Deer Island on Friday, May 24 that includes Elina's parents and teachers. Press releases and photos will be sent to local newspapers and photos of the Awards Ceremony will be on [www.flickr.com/photos/masswater/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/masswater/) soon after the event.

## Shout Out

By: Rebecca Playford

Shout out ! Wendy Yakov inspired me to attend the Teacher Collaborative event in Boston last night ! It was an amazing event to honor educators and show case projects !! We ran into Chris Fitzpatrick there also ! They are starting an anonymous pod cast for teachers to share stories and have a voice ! A great group indeed



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## Grade 1 Life Cycles

By: Teri Malone

During the year we studied life cycles. We received caterpillars a few weeks ago and our students had the opportunity to observe and journal about the butterfly life cycle. This week we all had our butterflies emerge from their chrysalis and we will be releasing them by tomorrow.





## Max Courage Essay Winners

By Colleen Clifford

The mission of the Max Warburg Courage Curriculum is to strengthen literacy skills of students and invite educators and participating schools to explore the idea of courage in literature, in their own lives, and within the broader community. The sixth grade students wrote a personal narrative about a time in their lives that they

were courageous. Bo Stead and Piya Vaghela's essay were both chosen as winners and published in this year's annual essay anthology, *The Courage of Children: Boston and Beyond*.

## Ms. Keene's Little Archeologists'

By: Donna Keene

I shared some photos from a great day of fun learning about what archeologists do. My daughter Meaghan is a student at the University of Houston and prepared a presentation and activities to share with my class. Thank you Meaghan!

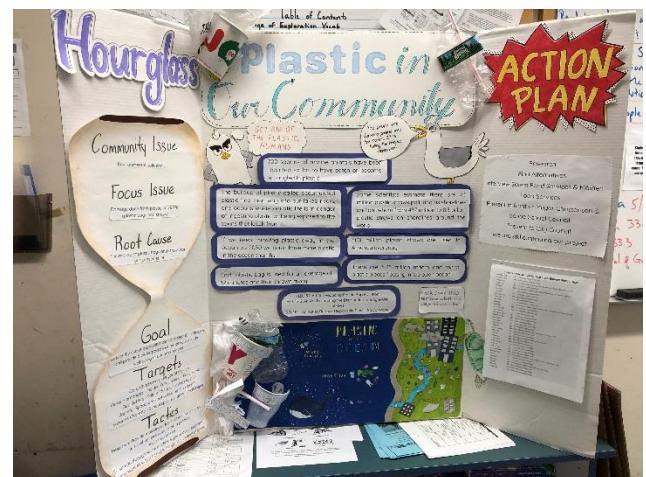


## Generation Citizen Project

By: Ryan and Michelle

The Beebe 8th grade has been working on a civics project called GC- Generation Citizen, since November, in our Social Studies class. GC is a non-profit advocacy organization that encourages young people to be more involved with their local community. Each class, or block, created a different project based on what they thought was negatively impacting Malden the most. Block 1 introduced the idea of lowering the voting age; Block 2 introduced the idea of making college more affordable; Block 3 introduced the idea of banning plastic bags and straws; Block 4 introduced the idea of preventing teenagers from vaping and potentially smoking.

Although everyone cooperated together in order to complete each project, representatives were picked from each class to participate in Civics Day at Malden High School on Wednesday, May 1st. Civics Day is where 8th-grade students from all the Malden Public Schools gathered to present their respective projects to both peers and influential figures, such as the City Councilors and Mayor Gary Christenson. During Civics Day, the students were asked to divide into pairs; one pair would visit other presentations and question them, while another would stay behind with their project. The inquiries would allow the group remaining at their project to practice their confidence in answering questions and presenting in front of others.



This happened throughout the MHS gallery with every group, allowing everybody to prepare for when they were in a conference with the Mayor and City Councilors. Some groups had gone above and beyond and included petitions to gather support for their cause; which students and adults alike signed when they visited the particular project.

Everyone from each block worked hard in order to make the project as best as they could make it in such a small period of time, but there were more that have gone above just proposing to the people in the gallery. While the others might have only proposed their concepts at the MHS gallery meeting, Block 3 has made sure

that their idea is being considered. In December and February, we had met the Mayor and City Council members. During those meetings, we as well as Lana from the Mystic Valley School discussed the topic of plastic bags and straws and how they destroyed our environment. Both the Mayor and the City Council were listening to our requests and had a bill that they were attempting to pass.

Everyone's work paid off, however, because Block 3 and Lana were able to see the bill get passed and Mayor Christensen signing it to become a law.



**NICE WORK GRADE EIGHT!**