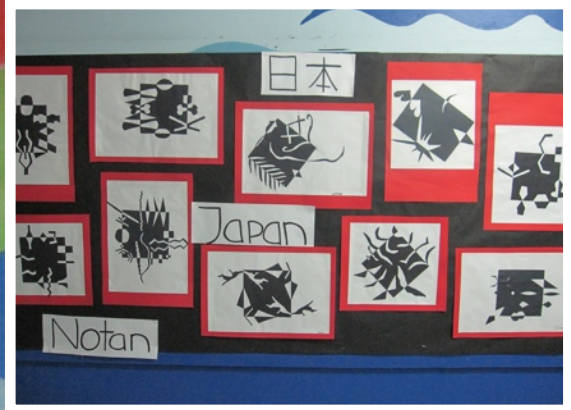


# CAPS NEWS



LEFT: ARTWORK BY DARRICK MARCHENA AND SUMIT CHAWLA

RIGHT: ARTWORK BY VIRTUAL

## C.A.P.S. Kicks Off A World Tour! By: Hanna van Belle

Students and faculty alike joined for International Week, February 2nd to the 4th. During International Week, each class picks a country, learns about it and presents it to each class. This year the countries included were: Scotland, China, Hawaii, The United Arab Emirates, Egypt, Brazil, Nigeria, and Syria.

Here at CAPS, International Day is a time of learning and fun amongst the students, teachers, and parents. Each

class has something different. For instance, go to Egypt and see the mummification process. Visit China and hear a song in Chinese and English, or go to Hawaii and learn to dance to the Hula beat.

When asked about the purpose of International Week, Miss Ann said, "I think the founders of International Week were hoping to help us learn

about world culture, but also getting us to learn about our own heritage."

On the days leading up to International Week it's all about information. Students must learn nearly everything about their countries plus they learn about each country they go to. But before they enter they must first get their passport stamped. International Day is all the fun of traveling minus the hassle.



LEARNING ABOUT THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS



MAKING A MUMMY IN EGYPT



GOLFING IN SCOTLAND

## Quote of the Month

"EACH DAY OF OUR LIVES WE MAKE DEPOSITS IN THE MEMORY BANKS OF OUR CHILDREN."

- CHARLES R. SWINDOLL



## K-3/K-4: MISS MARIANA

Students continue doing their best. They made cards and presents for Valentine's Day. They also had fun learning about the letter P and we ended the week with a "Princess-Pirate-Pink-Purple Party."

Yash and Mahek celebrated their fifth birthday. Congratulations!

## K-5: MISS ROSHINI



We have started our unit on nutrition. The children are excited to learn about healthy food and unhealthy food. Since we started this unit, the children have been checking out each others lunch boxes to see who is eating healthy. Instead of making a food pyramid each child will make their very own "MUST EAT" food mobile using paper plates. Each plate will have pictures of food from the different food groups, which the children will cut out of magazines. This can be hung in their rooms at home to remind them about good nutrition. We plan to make a healthy salad and vegetable soup to wrap up the unit.

Our weekly spelling tests have been going really well. Instead of writing down the spelling words the children have been writing sentences using the spelling words. Bravo K-5! You are awesome spellers!

## GRADE 1-2: MISS LINDA



The first and second graders are exceeding expectations this month. They have been writing the beginning, middle, and the end of stories that they have read. Their handwriting is exceptional! I am very proud of each student. In social studies, our class is learning about the symbols of Curacao and America. Along with the symbols we will be learning about important people that have made a difference in both countries. Cooperation is our topic for values at this time. We are discussing how working together can benefit all of us. We are playing interactive games to help us see the importance of cooperation. In math, the second graders are beginning to work on fractions. The first graders are practicing addition and subtraction with single digits. Next, they will be working with double digits. The class is working on a skit to present to their parents about the Three Little Pigs. We are looking forward to having parents visit and to share in our accomplishments.

## GRADE 2-3: MISS HANNA



Grade 2-3 has been doing many new things. We started reading our new social studies book called Communities. The students are learning about the history, geography and culture of the U.S.A. We also started working on our science project for the science fair in May. During playtime the students love to play four square. They really do their best to be champions at this game. In this game you need to be quick with your eyes and very fast with your movements. This month the students are reading the collection of Dr. Seuss books. They have made a poster of these famous characters for the classroom. We have worked hard in February and I am very proud of all my students.

## GRADE 3-4: MISS ANNMARIE



As International Week ended, students finished writing their first narrative of the year. The class told stories about being trapped in a pyramid in Egypt. Students enjoyed tying together what they learned about Egypt with current events. Students started new chapter books in their literature groups. We have been reading and learning about sea monsters, haunted houses, and sandstorms. In math, students are becoming pros at fractions and decimals. Students have been challenged with tricky number patterns and have even come up with some of their own. This month they also studied light and how we see colors. Students used a mirror and water to simulate a prism to separate white light into the different colors of the rainbow. In social studies, the students have learned the fifty states and their capitals!

## GRADE 4-5: MISS ANN



February has been a great month for the 4-5 class. Valentine's Day was enjoyed by everyone and students wrote articles to compete to be in the school newsletter. After finishing Harriet the Spy, we ate tomato sandwiches, cake and milk. We also watched the movie and noted the comparisons between the book and movie. In language arts, students have been focused on punctuation and are getting used to their new "Spelling Soup" activities. Math has been exciting in February. We have learned about coordinate planes and ordered pairs. We made our own "mystery pictures" for each other to solve. When our field trip was cancelled due to the rain, we made the best of it by having a movie day with ice cream and pizza. We look forward to March to celebrate library week and St. Patrick's Day!



## GRADE 6-7: MISS KRISTIN

February has been an exciting month for the 6th and 7th grade classes. In social studies we have learned about the economy and history of South America and in the next few weeks we are looking forward to studying Ancient Greece and Rome. We are making punctuation posters in language arts. We are working on ratios and proportions in math and we will be starting a new writing unit. This class is great to work with!

## A Friendly Valentine's Day at C.A.P.S.

By: Juhi Chawla

Valentine's Day is celebrated many places around the world. In Curacao we celebrate it on February 14<sup>th</sup>. Valentine's Day is said to be celebrated on this day in remembrance of St. Valentine's death. St. Valentine, from Rome, is the patron saint of love.

Here at C.A.P.S. everyone celebrated in different ways. Paola from grade 4/5 wrote cards for her parents and friends, received a sweet treat from Miss Ann and had dinner with her parents at home. Miss Annmarie, who teaches grade 3/4, said her class made woven heart baskets together.

At home, Miss Annmarie cooked dinner and watched a movie. Her favorite part of Valentine's Day was that she was able to spend it with people she cares about.

The whole school celebrated Valentine's Day by sending flowers, candy and cards to each other. Special deliveries were made by festive "Valentine Messengers." The teachers were so nice and gave every student a candy pack.

Valentine's Day was great this year! The love was seen and felt by everyone!

### ★★★★★ PERFECT ATTENDANCE ★★★★★

Grade K-3/K-4: Kyona, Yash

Grade K-5: Zanzi

Grade 1-2: Nicole

Grade 2-3: Jared, Kishan, Jia Yan, Kashish, Celina

Grade 3-4: Tanishq, Aton

Grade 4-5: Juhi, Zerong, Dheeraj, Kunal, Avanish, Paola, Jia Yan

Grade 6-7: Kajol, Priya

Virtual: Sumit, David

## MUSIC: MISS KRISSY

In February we focused on Valentine's Day, as well as President's Day. We learned friendship songs, various American classic folk songs, and some patriotic tunes.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**MARCH 7-11:** CARNIVAL BREAK

**MARCH 14-16:** STANDARDIZED TESTING

**MARCH 17-18:** TEACHER WORK DAYS/ NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

**MARCH 27:** HOSPITAL FUNDRAISER: "LADIES BRUNCH" (DETAILS TO FOLLOW)

**MARCH 29:** 3RD QUARTER ENDS