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CARDBOARD IMAGINATION CREATIONS DAY By Jane Mercadante

May 18th was no ordinary day in Mrs. Mercadante's first grade classroom. It was "**Cardboard Imagination Creations Day!**"

It started when the boys and girls watched a video called Caine's Arcade. In the video, a boy named Caine makes an arcade with cardboard boxes, ingenuity and imagination. People all over the world have reacted to this video the same way that the students in 1M did; they've been inspired to be creative inventors using cardboard boxes!

And so, on May 18, the boys and girls in 1M rose to the Cardboard Challenge! There were all kinds of games, a bowling alley, a time machine, a baby doll car, a squid, a flower pot, a boat, a smartboard, a view master, a vacuum cleaner and an oven!

You can see Caine's Arcade and Caine's Arcade 2 on YouTube. The best video, though, is the video of Cardboard Imagination Creations Day in Mrs. Mercadante's class.

Check it out!

<http://animoto.com/play/yrQV8NzvQVU5VsjhtRi6BQ>



A COLLABORATION CELEBRATION

by Madeline Yedman



What happens when three teachers work together to raise awareness about different learning styles? A collaboration celebration! Ms. Talian, Ms. Kotlyar, and Ms. Yedman worked together on a project where students were able to explore their senses. With the help of Katie Maunder and her mother Trish, students of 3K learned about the many ways we experience life. Katie is a 29-year-old woman who was born blind. She shared many stories about going to school, playing with friends, and navigating through life without being able to see. Through touch, smell, taste, sight, and sound, each student was able to explore the individual senses. 3K students are now working to create a sculpture that everyone can experience using their different senses. Stay tuned to find out what 3K creates!

SUMMER READING AT J.F. TATEM

by Nina Wojtowicz

Tatem's Summer Reading Program is here!

This summer, Tatem students are invited to join Scholastic's Summer Reading Challenge. Under the banner of Power Up and Read, the Scholastic program challenges kids across the nation to register their reading minutes, with the hopes of setting the World Record for Reading. Last summer, readers across the country logged in 304,749,681 minutes of reading and set a World Record! Tatem students (grades 1-4) reported 105,870 minutes of reading. Let's try to beat our record and contribute to the national total!

Tatem students will be given a Scholastic Reading Challenge username, password, and family informational sheet in school. Students will use this information to access their online Scholastic account and record their minutes read on the site. Readers who meet weekly goals can unlock prizes, such as hidden book chapters and video interviews with popular authors. Adults can also download the Scholastic Reading Timer app to their smartphone or tablet to automatically time children's reading and record it when they are finished. Please visit scholastic.com/summer for additional information.

As you prepare for the Summer Reading Challenge, here are a few things to note:

- Printable Reading Logs are available on my eBoard. These will be accepted in place of or in addition to the digital log.
- Listening to audio books or reading with someone else counts! Turn car rides, waiting rooms, and yard work into reading experiences by downloading audio books. Couple books on CD with a hard copy text to immerse your child in the world of that book.
- Participating in Haddonfield Public Library's Summer Reading Program or a reading program in a different town? That counts! Log the minutes read for any program on your Scholastic Challenge log.
- Kindergarten students are invited to participate in the Challenge as well. Account information was created for all kindergarten readers. Their participation is not mandatory, but encouraged.

Let's
BEAT OUR OWN RECORD.

Let's
POWER UP AND READ!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

JUNE

6-11
5th Grade
Dessert/Slide
Show:
7:00 APR

6-17
Field Day
12:30 Dismissal
5th Grade Swim
Party: 1:00-3:30

6-18
Move Up Day:
10:15
12:30 Dismissal

6-19
Award Ceremony:
10:00
Last Day
of School:
12:30 Dismissal

AUGUST

8-27
Kindergarten
Orientation,
New Student
Orientation

SEPTEMBER

9-2
First Day
of School:
12:30 Dismissal

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Parent Teacher ASSOCIATION

The Tatem PTA is proud to support our teachers and students in big and small ways. At the close of this school year, the PTA will purchase one more iPad cart—that's 30 iPads—for use in the 1st grades. That completes our technology goal of ensuring there are SmartBoards in every classroom and iPads for each grade level. On a smaller scale, but making a great impact nonetheless, we were able to grant the following wishes for our teachers. Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA this year to make this all possible.

Smore's subscription	\$39.00
No stress chess games	\$56.35
Spelling City subscriptions	\$50.00
Pinnies for peer leaders	\$108.85
Spelling City subscription	\$50.00
Anti bullying books	\$36.43
Spelling City subscription	\$50.00
Spelling City subscription	\$50.00
Math centers storage bins	\$46.88
Fraction blocks and games	\$63.17
Books	\$14.00
Chess games	\$64.16
Pencil sharper	\$9.00
Classroom rug	\$160.00
Ukuleles	\$320.00
Postage for Global Read Aloud postcards	\$ 30.00
Stools for special work station	\$94.80



Ms. Halbert and Branin
(racing name: Saucy Cat),
Age: 18, Medford, NJ

Tatem Pride

Show the world your Tatem Pride. Wear your Tatem Spirit Wear as you visit interesting, unique or far-away places. Send us a photo and perhaps you will be featured in the next edition of the **Tatem Times**.

TIGER BYTES

OUR SCHOOL YEAR IS ABOUT TO END!

AUDREY K. (K-WOODS)

"All my friends and Ms. Woods"

"Community Meetings! You get to see what everyone is learning and they are always fun!"

WILL W. (4SI)

"I think the thing I will miss the most about this year is the initial excitement when students learn a new technological skill; whether it's learning to code, navigating through Google docs, creating websites on Glogster or WIX. Their ability never ceases to amaze me."

MRS. BAHRING, EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT (COMPUTER LAB)

"I will miss getting Fantastics and Math, especially math games!"

What will you miss most about the 2014-2015 School Year?

MATTHEW L. (1M)