Thank you to our entire Sickles community for making Transition Day so memorable! The amazing show coordinated by Mr. Mottern and the entire third grade team: Mrs. Boccino, Mrs. Frankel, Mrs. Raibick, Mrs. Goode, Mrs. Halloran, Mrs. Hughes, and Ms. Piotrowski is one we will always remember! The gorgeous weather during the family picnic and the milestone journey only enhanced things further! Check



out some of the highlights on this video produced by Mr. and Mrs. Samuels.

We are so grateful to **Mrs. Romano, her staff, and students** for so warmly greeting our students and providing a delightful afternoon of programming. You can also celebrate our rising fourth graders by taking a **walk down memory lane**. All the best to our students and families as they move on to Knollwood!



Just when you thought the day could not get any better, along came the second grade to welcome their families for our third annual "Poetry in the Park" celebration. Many thanks to our second grade poets and their talented mentors:

Mrs. Kleinman, Mrs. Leahey, Mrs.

Coffin, Mrs. Greenhall, Mrs. Maguire, Mrs. Cannon, Mrs. Setaro, Ms.

Gagliano, and Ms. Spano.

A friend of mine shared this poem with me that I thought you might enjoy as we reflect on our year together and make plans for the summer ahead:

Do not ask your children to strive for extraordinary lives. Such striving may seem admirable, but it is a way of foolishness. Help them instead to find wonder and the marvel of an ordinary life. Show them the joy of tasting tomatoes, apples and pears. Show them to cry when pets and people die. Show them the infinite pleasure in the touch of a hand. And make the ordinary come alive for them. The extraordinary will take care of itself.

-William Martin



The Hoedown Showdown is a new event at Sickles this year. Mr. Ranahan has worked with students all year during their enrichment period to teach them square dancing. Families are NOT expected to attend as we just had a huge event this past week and if we move indoors there is limited space.

In other NEW events this year, we are excited to inform you that we will host an end of year Kindergarten celebration. Kindergarten families and loved ones are welcome to join us. Both the K-AM and the K-PM students will join together to sing and celebrate their learning this year. We are so pleased to be able to have started our year together at the Kindergarten Picnic and finish our year together. Please reach out to your teacher with any questions or concerns.



A note from the Principal

Dear Students, Staff, and Families,

Thank you so much for all your support as I transition into my new role outside of Sickles. Many of you have asked what would compel me to leave our wonderful school community in Fair Haven. There is just one place that could do that. This special place is where I truly fell in love with education both as a professional and a parent. I am excited to inform you that this summer I will become **Director of A Child's Place School in Lincroft, New Jersey**.

Please know that Sickles School has such a special place in my heart. I am so proud of our students and staff, and all that we have accomplished together. As you prepare to welcome the new principal, continue to be forthright and honest as you advocate for the needs of our students. I encourage you to maintain the things we hold dear at Sickles - the arts, student-driven learning, inclusion, reading and writing workshops, authentic mathematical learning, center-based learning, social-emotional learning, mindfulness, and appreciation for the thinking process.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy summer. Please stay in touch.

Sincerely, Cheryl Cuddihy





We are so proud of Mrs.
Sustick, Dr. LaBrocca,
and our third grade
students for working on
A Peaceful Place -- a
beautiful collection of
poems & collages
promoting peace. The
work will be published into
a book & distributed this
summer to students in
Rwanda through NEU
Global Inc., Books and
Beyond, USA.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 11 - June 15	□ iReady Gr. 2 & 3
Tuesday, June 12	☐ Gr. K-2 504 Meetings - Sickles - Invitations have been sent.
Thursday, June 14	☐ FH PTA Meeting - Nauvoo - 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Friday, June 15	 □ Third Grade Hoedown - 8:45 - 9:45 am - McCarter Park or APR □ PreK-AM Moving Up Ceremony - 9:45 am □ New Student Orientation (Gr. 1 -3) - 1:00 pm - Sickles Studios □ PreK-PM Moving Up Ceremony -2:00 pm
June 18 - 22	☐ Single Session Days for Students
Monday, June 18	□ 8th Grade Graduation & Dance
Tuesday, June 19	□ iReady PD Workshop - Gr. 2-3/CST - 1:10 - 3:05 pm - Library
Wednesday, June 20	☐ Kindergarten End of Year Celebration - 9:00 -10:30 am - APR
Friday, June 22	☐ Happy Last Day of School!

