

Meet the Dolphins!



Francis A. Desmares School
February 29, 2024 – Board of Education Meeting

The Mighty, Mighty Dolphin Staff

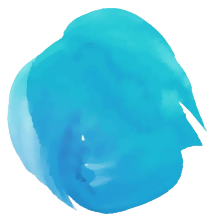


**81 Staff
Members**



The Mighty, Mighty Dolphin Staff





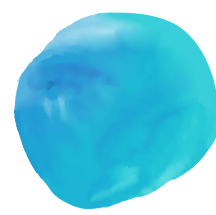
2024 Educators of the Year

Lisa Rieg - First Grade
Katie Lake - Math



NJ STEM Pathways Network Grant

Sam Gale - Media
Specialist
STEM assembly in April
Talewise - Science Heroes - Saving
Earth Together



Hunterdon County Counselor of the Year

Viviana Moncada
Bilingual School
Counselor





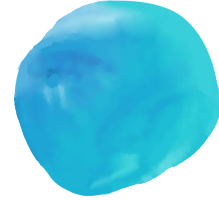
Professional Learning

Kristin DeLorenzo:
Bridges Workshop Leader
Math Learning Center



Literacy Coach

Kari Rowe
Title I Grant Funded



Teacher Leadership

11 Staff Members led
professional development
sessions on February 16th



The Mighty, Mighty Dolphins



Enrollment: 414 students (K-4)

Demographics:

- Economically Disadvantaged: 42.3%
- English Language Learners: 24.9%
- Special Education Students: 12.7%
 - Speech Only IEP's: 7.8%

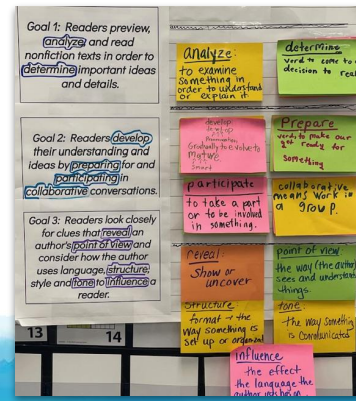
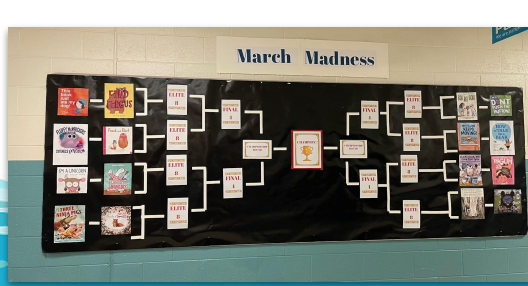
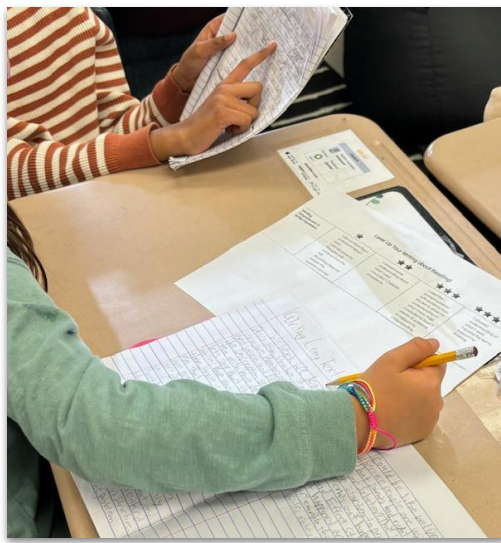
Kindergarten: 80 students

Grade 1: 91 students

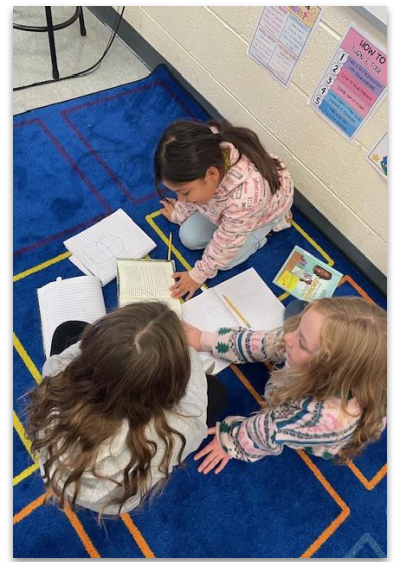
Grade 2: 68 students

Grade 3: 78 students

Grade 4: 97 students

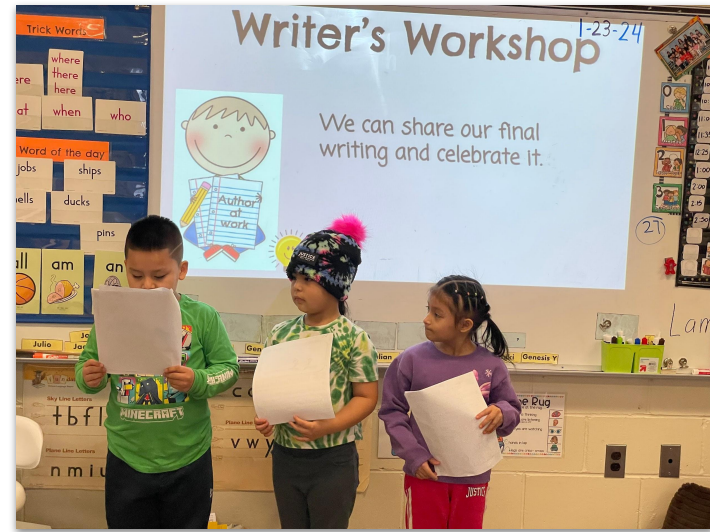


Dolphins are readers and writers!



Dolphins are readers
and writers!

Dolphins have a superpower!



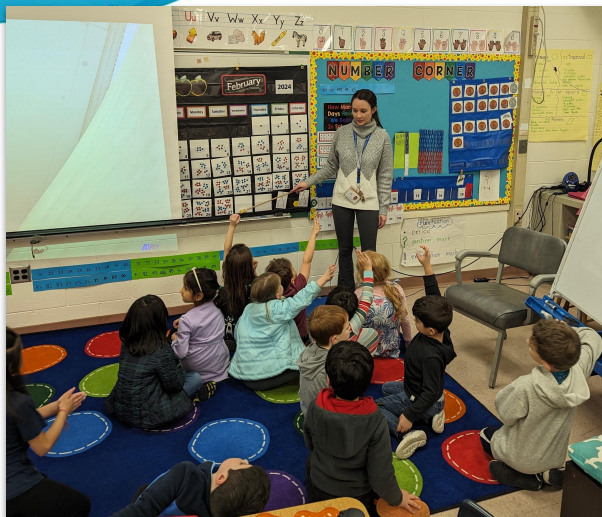


Dolphins are STEM learners!

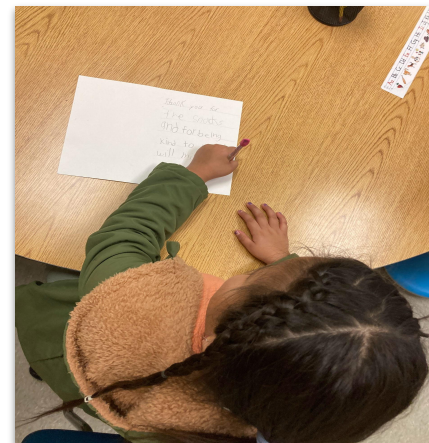
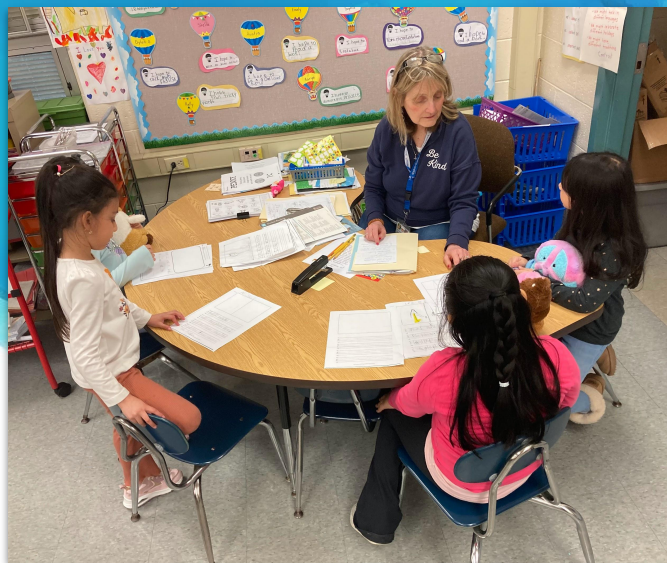


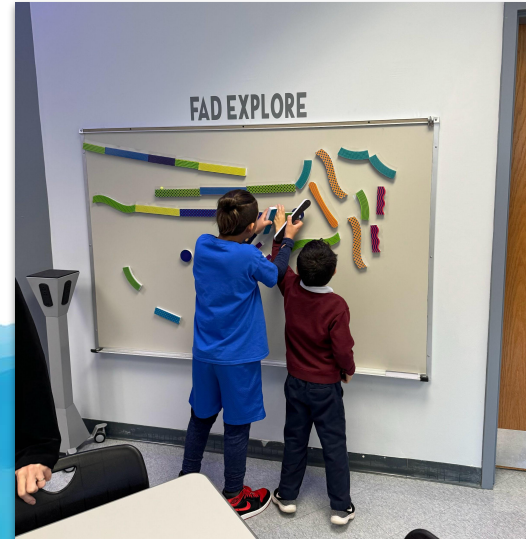
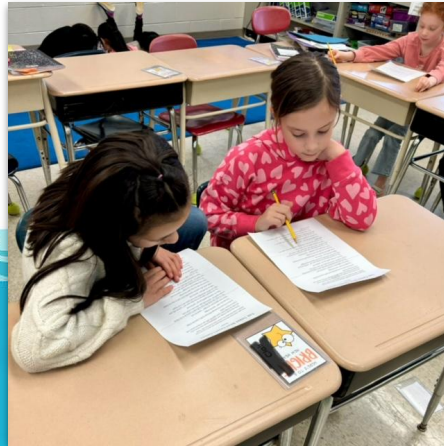
Dolphins are
STEM
learners!

Dolphins are mathematicians!



Dolphins are
committed to
learning!

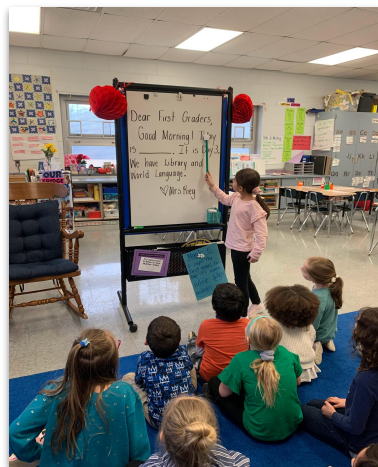
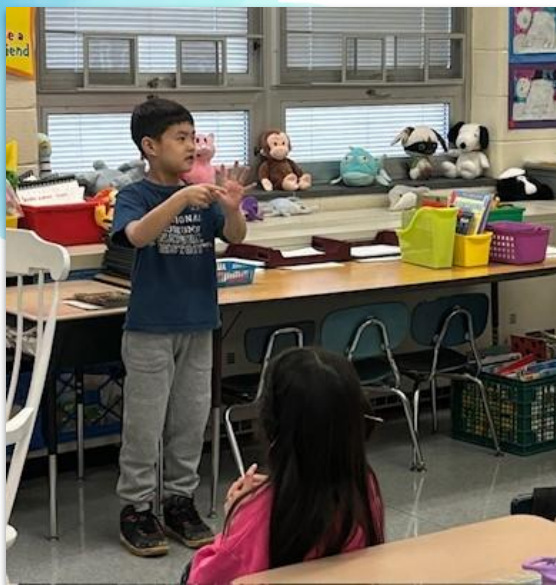




**Dolphins are
collaborators!**

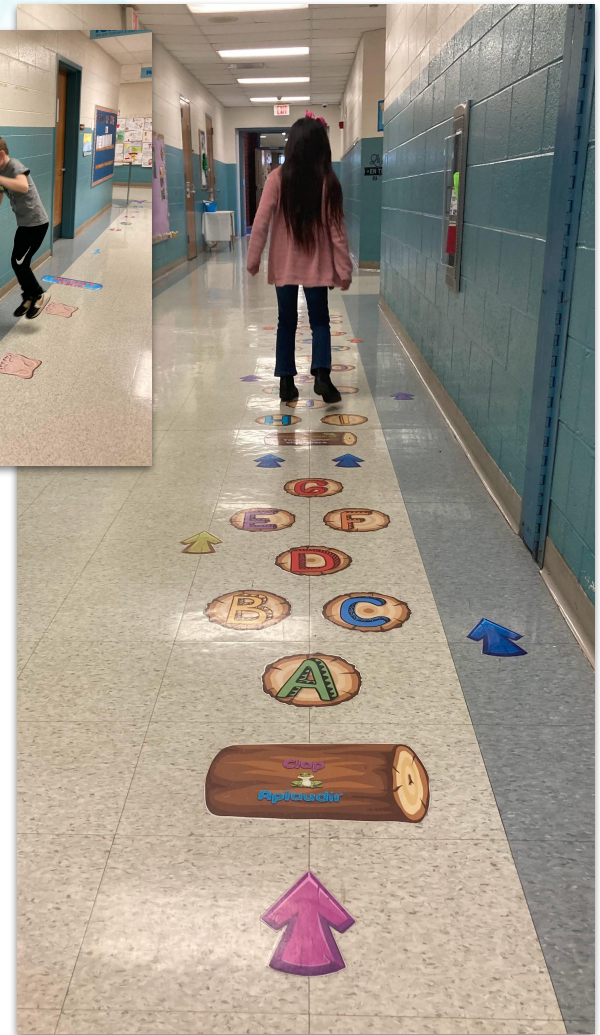


Dolphins are communicators!



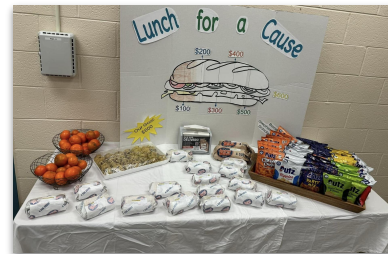
**Dolphins
learn to
take care of
themselves!**

Dolphins are active!



Dolphins have four paws!





Dolphins take care of each other and the community!



**Dolphins love
our families!**



Dolphins have spirit!



Dolphins love Flips!



The Mighty Dolphin PTO

President: Ariej Dawood

Vice Presidents: Laura McCollum and
Meghann Longson

Treasurer: Danielle Schwartz

Corresponding Secretary: Kassy George

Recording Secretary: Melissa Bentley



Ariej Dawood

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**HCEA 2024 Friend
of Education**

January & February

FAD PTO & Guidance Counselors
worked on The Great Kindness
Challenge Bookmarks



Monthly Spirit Days & Contests

Game U Partnership



4th Grade Winter
Concert

Preparing for PICTO
& Basket Raffle Event



SOUP
Bowl Drive



SOUPer Bowl Drive
benefiting The Flemington
Area Food Pantry

Celebrated
100th Day of School



Working on the 2023 – 2024
Yearbook

Sold Valentine's
Tic Tac Toe Cookie



Global School
Play Day



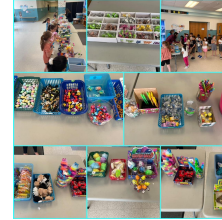
Starbooks Cafe

January & February

Selling St. Patrick's Day
Hot Cocoa Bombs



Celebrated National
Random Acts of
Kindness Day



Monthly
School Store

Dolphins' Fun Day at
Flemington Ice Arena



Flips is always
there Supporting our
Dolphins



Restaurant Day at Buffalo Wild Wings
Future ones: Humdoo
& Harper's Table

Eyes of the Wild Assembly
Sponsored by FAD PTO
\$590



PTO had a table at
Kindergarten
Registration



Coin Collection
Contest

March and April



3rd Grade Field Trip to
RVCC
Sponsored by FAD
PTO
\$550

Read-A-Thon



PICTO & Basket
Raffle Event

Spring Book Fair



Read Across
America
Spirit Week

*Basket
Raffle*



All About Our 4th Grade
Dolphins:
Baby Pictures
Art Work
Talent Show
4th Grade Group Picture

Spring Cookies



Science Heroes:
Saving Earth Together Assembly
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\$425

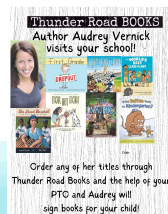
Family
Technology
Night



4 Grade
Spaghetti Dinner
Sponsored by Maschio's
& Served by 4th Grade
Dolphins



SCIENCEHEROES™
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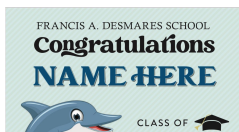


Author Audrey Vernick Visit
Sponsored by FAD PTO
\$1800



Teachers & Staff
Appreciation Week
Sponsored by FAD PTO

Muffins with
Moms/Aunts/Grandma
s Sponsored by
FAD PTO

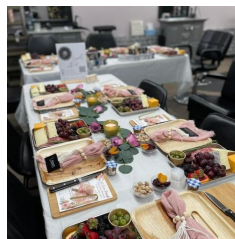


Selling
Graduation Signs

Selling
Graduation Cookies



May



Advanced
Charcuterie Workshop
Event



Spring
Clothing Drive

Cultural Diversity
Event



4th Grade Spring
Concert

Field Day run by
P.E. Department & Parent Volunteers
Assembly Sponsored by FAD PTO



4th Grade Field Trip to
Camp Mason
Sponsored by FAD PTO
\$7000



June



Donuts with Dads/
Uncles/Grandpas
Sponsored by FAD PTO

Art to Me
Gallery Show



Incoming Kindergarteners
Signing Week



Kindergarten
Graduation



BOGO Book Fair



4th Grade
Clap Out



4th Grade Visit to
RFIS



FAD Carnival
& Food Truck Festival

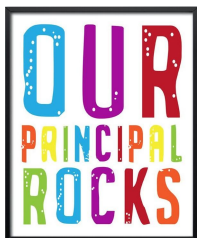


4th Grade Celebration
Sponsored by FAD PTO

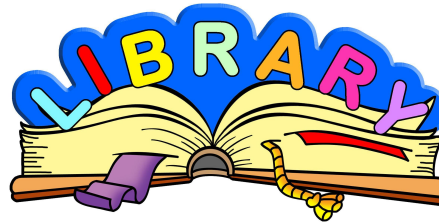
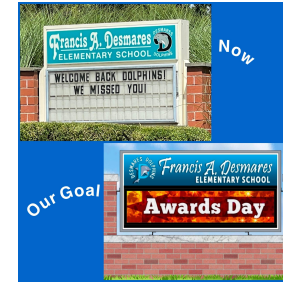
End of Year
Celebration
Sponsored by
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Annual PTO Recognitions

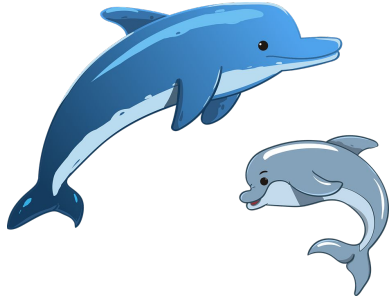


Ongoing Events & Fundraisers Run by FAD PTO



THANK YOUS

I ♥ Administration!



We ♥ our
Volunteers!



OUR STAFF



FAD & PTO Gives Back To Community



United Way of
Hunterdon County



United Way of
Hunterdon County



Raritan Township
Fire Company

Flemington Area
Food Pantry



WHY WE FUNDRAISE

**Field Trips
\$7,500**

**Helping Hands
\$1000**

**Teachers, Faculty
& Staff Appreciation
Celebrations
\$5,000**

**K-4
Author Visits
\$3,500**

**K-4
Assemblies
\$4,000**

**Sunshine Club
\$2,000**

**Insurance, Licenses,
MTK & Banking
\$2,000**

**Dolphins' Free
Events
\$1,000**

**Grants for
Teachers & Staff
\$4,000**

Total = \$30,000

Thank you!

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