

PLAINVIEW-OLD BETHPAGE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Families,

A goal of Old Bethpage Elementary School is social emotional learning. We have adopted themes for each month to help students learn about relationship skills, responsible decision making, social awareness, self awareness, and self management. February's theme is empathy: being aware of someone else's feelings.

Today, the Harlem Globetrotters visited our school to support our work on this goal. Slick Willie Shaw presented the C.H.E.E.R. for character program. He taught us about Cooperation, Healthy mind & body, Effort, Enthusiasm, and Responsibility. He discussed working hard in life, being kind to others, and setting goals. His motivational presentation included the Globetrotters' signature ball handling skills and student volunteers. The presentation filled all of our buckets!

Please use this opportunity to talk to your child about what they learned at the presentation and how the ideas discussed today are important themes in school and at home. You can discuss specific examples of how your child demonstrates the themes and sets goals for the future. Look for opportunities to reinforce your child's success in positive social development.

Newsday, Channel 12, Fios Channel, TV 10/55, and the Plainview Herald all attended the thirty minute presentation. They assured us that the presentation will be covered in upcoming newscasts and articles. They were unable to provide us with exact details.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Gray

Principal