

Superintendent's Highlight of the Week

April 24, 2015

This week, all of our schools celebrated Earth Day. The POBMS Student Council sponsored "No Waste Lunch Day" as they wanted to make their peers to be aware of the amount of waste they create during a lunch period each day. Students were encouraged to bring in biodegradable snacks and lunches in reusable containers and bring in reusable utensils from home. Any items, like fruit cores or skins, went into a compost recycling bin.



For the second consecutive year, an Old Bethpage School parent, Mrs. Hemmerdinger, hosted an Earth Day extravaganza. Second graders from Old Bethpage Elementary School met on Pasture Lane to pick up bottles, papers and wrappers that littered the neighborhood, accompanied by Ms. Anderson, a second grade teacher, and some concerned parents, Mrs. Kusinitz, Mrs. Leibowitz, Mrs. Lubin and Mrs. Meyers. The kids flooded the streets for reusable treasure. It was a race against the rain, and the students picked up 9 full bags of trash, all within three blocks.



With garbage in their bags and creative juices flowing, the kids started an art collage. They created three murals with inspirational words; REDUCE, REUSE, and SAVE OUR EARTH. Each student poured glue over each letter in each word and began placing the litter on the collage. They thought out and planned exactly how they wanted their art to look. They found a blue tissue box and ripped it up to use as water. They stuck bottles, dirty newspapers and even an old empty lighter found on the sidewalk onto the mural. The finished product was amazing and the lesson learned was invaluable. All showing that we can make a difference in the world by making one small change!

