

Superintendent Highlight of the Week

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Let me tell you why I have the greatest job in Nassau County. Every day I get to visit classrooms and be amazed by my wonderful students. Last month I participated in Pasadena PARP and as always, after reading my book, I give the students an assignment. Since it was just before Martin Luther King Jr. day, I read a non-fiction book on the life of this great American. I then explained to the students that he did not only help black people, like me, but he helped all people, because “A rising tide lifts all boats”. I asked the kids to think of that quote and then invite me back to explain what it means to them.



Was I surprised by Mrs. DeRosa's fourth grade students!!! They put careful thought into the quote, did a lot of research and made a most impressive presentation. They created quotes of their own to demonstrate their own understanding and explained how they could be a rising tide in the community. Eusheen Kim said he could “visit the hospital and play his violin to help make sick people happy and joyful. Bringing music can be a powerful thing”



Zoe Wang offered to be a rising tide “ by donating books that I already read. This will help kids that don’t have enough money to buy books. Literature is a crucial rising tide in any community that values education.” Finally Ben Levine said “I can be a rising tide by being kind. A rising tide lifts all boats and kindness is the most powerful tide of all”.

Enough said about the future of our great community!!! It’s looking good!!!!