

Paterson Post

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Coming in January: The PPS Saturday Academy Program

This coming January, the district will be offering a Saturday enrichment program for our kindergarten through grade 8 students.

The *PPS Saturday Academy Program* will take place at ten schools throughout the district and will help provide students with skills and strategies in core courses such as English Language Arts and Mathematics as well as Art, Music, Bilingual and Character Education. This program will run from Saturday, January 6th through Saturday, April 28th between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Although lunch and transportation is not provided for this special program, breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m.

Registration forms have been sent home with the children and need to be returned to their school by the extended due date of Thursday, November 30th. Teachers will also provide registration forms during upcoming Report Card Nights.

It is strongly encouraged that children attend this program. For more information, please visit the district website or contact your school's principal.

Exploring Science at School 27



A hallway at School 27 became a large laboratory where 4th grade students conducted experiments involving the properties of water.

The lesson, led by "Lava Liz" and "Galaxy Gray", from the *SPARKS Foundation*, was made possible by funding from the *Ametek Foundation*. The science program runs for a total 15 weeks over two school years. This is the second time School 27 has benefited from this grant and participated in the program.

Between chants of, "Science rocks!" the students conducted several experiments during the 45 minute lesson including constructing a water molecule out of marshmallows and testing various properties of water such as surface tension, adhesion and cohesion. The School 27 program was featured yesterday in [this online news story](#).



Donation to JFK is Instrumental

Mr. Vincent Marchese, teacher of Social Studies for the School of Architecture and Construction Trades (ACT) at JFK, and member of the *Hawthorne Caballeros Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps*, presented Mr. Michael Hill, Principal of Operations, with a donation of two new trumpets for the school's marching band. This generous donation was on behalf of the *Hawthorne Caballeros Alumni Drum Corps*. The Caballeros Alumni have been running workshops for the Kennedy Marching Band over the past ten years. The band has recently secured a place in the Borough of Hawthorne's Annual Memorial Day parade.



On November 1st, School 2 celebrated Girl Scout Founder, Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday, at their troop meeting. Great Falls National Historical Park Rangers, Ms. Goldman and Ms. Molly gave an interesting presentation about the Great Falls.

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