

Souper Bowl at Durban Avenue School



Durban Avenue School students helped celebrate our very own Souper + Bowl. Yes, you read that correctly...SOUPer + Bowl! The collection effort at Durban Avenue was led by Mrs. Doreen Sciabica, first grade teacher, and Mrs. Lisa Schuffenhauer, School Counselor. The collection benefitted Save the People, the local food bank out of Westside Methodist Church.

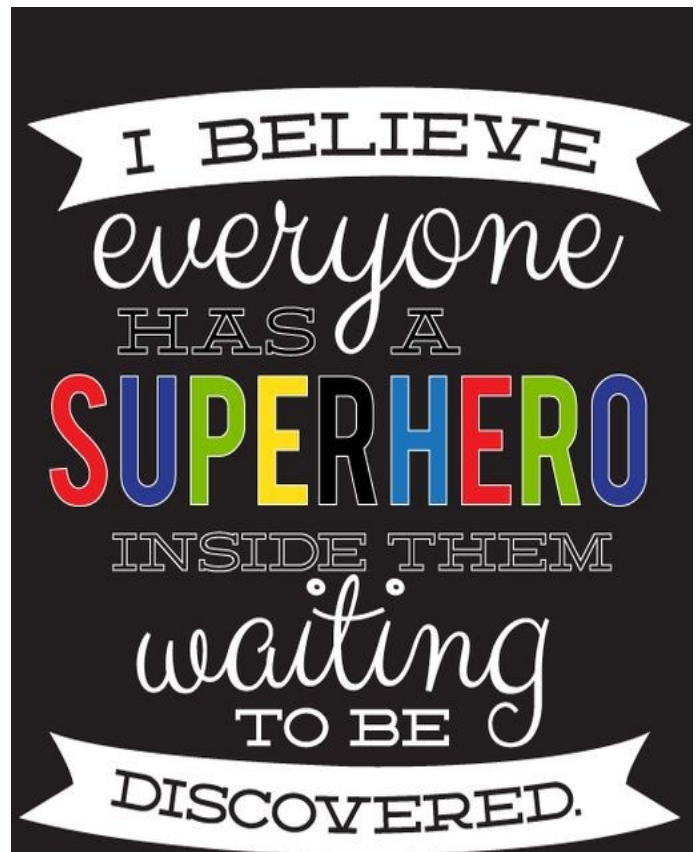
Students were directed to bring in donations of soup, macaroni and cheese, tuna, peanut butter, canned

spaghetti sauce, and cereal, all of which are staples that help carry the food bank through times when donations are lacking, especially after the holidays. Students used their food donations to cast a vote for their favorite team, the San Francisco 49ers or the Kansas City Chiefs. During lunches on Friday, January 31, 2020, Durban Avenue students joined together to use skip counting skills to total the donations. There were 291 votes for the 49ers and 84 votes for the Chiefs. The 49ers were predicted to win the big game by our students, but the real winners are the patrons of Save the People because of the overwhelming generosity of the Durban Avenue community!



The Great Kindness Challenge Short Film Festival

The 6th grade students at Frelinghuysen Township School District led The Great Kindness Challenge this year. They were highly motivated to inspire the school and cultivate a community of kindness. With much excitement they came up with a fantastic outside the box idea! They hosted a short film festival in honor of the event. They worked hard creating four short films that emphasized the importance of kindness and anti-bullying. It wasn't easy but it sure was worth it! They were filled with an abundance of joy and hope to continue to spread the positive message



Kindness is...



Every day acts of kindness for students

★ giving someone a compliment

★ putting the needs of others ahead of your own

★ including everyone and never leaving anyone out

★ checking on people who look sad

★ making a handmade card for someone

★ paying attention in class and not interrupting

★ holding the door open for those behind you

★ thanking parent helpers and staff

★ helping other students pack up

★ giving your principal a compliment

★ asking an adult how their day is going



★ leaving post-it notes with positive messages on mirrors in the bathroom

★ offering to help carry someone's things

★ letting someone go ahead of you

★ cheering people on

★ creating motivational posters to hang around the school

★ showing your appreciation



★ saying hi to someone you don't know

★ making bookmarks with positive sayings to put in library books

★ making hug coupons or kindness cards to give out

★ creating a kindness tree in the hall where people add their good deeds

★ giving a genuine compliment each day

★ smiling at people

★ trying to understand what someone's going through

★ volunteering to run an errand for your teacher

★ painting kindness rocks to leave for people to find

★ asking someone about something they're interested in

★ writing a compliment to leave on your teacher's desk

★ asking someone to play with you at recess



★ cleaning your desk without being asked

★ leaving people alone when they need some space

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