



# Observer

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## 2023 Valedictorian and Salutatorian *Announced*

Oyster Bay High School seniors Sophia Dean and Zachary Lachman were named the valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, for the Class of 2023. In addition to their exceptional academic skills, both are valued members of the Oyster Bay student body. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors!



## Pumpkin Decorating Contest



Students at James H. Vernon School showcased their creativity with the school library's annual pumpkin decorating contest. The friendly competition, which encouraged students to craft a pumpkin based on their favorite storybook character, was a great way to celebrate both literature and the fall season.

Eighty students participated in the contest this year. Their creative pumpkins were on display during the last week of October in the school's main hall showcase for all to admire. All students were invited to vote for their favorite pumpkin and winners received reading-themed prizes. Congratulations to our following student winners: Axel Petrara, first place; Lily Khan, second place and Gregory Fairbend, third place.

## KINDERGARTEN MATH NIGHT

Approximately 50 kindergarten students from Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School and their families gathered for the school's annual Kindergarten Math Night. It was an evening of fun as the students and their family and friends moved through classrooms to participate in different math games.

Throughout each station, students unlocked their problem-solving skills and their creativity. Family members also had fun bonding with their children and helping them in the learning process. At the conclusion of the evening, each student received a math goodie bag to take home.



# Students Win Local Art Contest

Three students from Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School were named winners in the Haunted Hive Art Event, hosted by the Hive Market and Maker's Space, Raynham Hall and Not Just Art. Second grader Kaylee Tully earned first place, second grader Ethan Finley earned second place and first grader Chance Rickard earned third place. Congratulations to all three students!



## Students Showcase Creativity With Unit on Native Americans

To complement their unit of study on Native Americans, fourth graders at James H. Vernon School designed and created Native American projects using natural resources and materials from the environment. Creations included dream catchers, pottery, wigwams and more.



## A Strong Finish to the Fall Sports Season

The Oyster Bay High School Girls Field Hockey Team was named the League 3 undefeated Champions, the Girls Tennis Team took home the title of Conference 3 Champions and the Girls Volleyball Team won the Nassau County Class C Championship for the second consecutive year. In addition, the Boys Cross-Country Team was named the undefeated Division 4B Champions and the undefeated Conference 4 Champions. They also finished eighth as a team at the New York State Championships.

Cross-country student-athlete Chris Tardugno was named the Nassau County Class 3 Champion and the winner of the New York State qualifying race. He also finished fifth in the New York State Championships. Chris was invited to run in the New York Federation Championships.

Congratulations to all!



## CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!

The district is excited to announce our new and improved website! Although the web address has not changed, there is a new look. Here, you will continue to find important updates, resources, events, stories, photos and more. Visit us today at [OBENSchools.org](http://OBENSchools.org) and scan the QR code on this page to watch a video with some tips on how to navigate the new site.

