



# Salk Spirit Rise & Shine

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### Team 20 Toy drive

Salk hosted our annual Team 20 Toy drive. Like always, Salk came together to donate in memory of Lorenzo Fernandez. With this toy drive, every Salk student, parents and staff remember that Lorenzo Fernandez will never be forgotten and will always be a part of our Salk family. This year, we had so many toys donated. All the toys go to the Toys for Tots program, created for kids who don't have toys for the holidays. Thanks to all those who donated such wonderful toys!

~Holly Zolla & Grace Foster







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## String Ensemble Trip

On Tuesday, December 19th the Salk String Ensemble performed holiday music at the MacArthur Airport. After they performed, the String Ensemble went to enjoy a meal at Hibachi Steakhouse Restaurant. The students that performed worked hard to prepare for this day. ~Holly Zolla



## Terrific Kid Awards



Terrific Kid Awards are given to students who have done at least eight hours of community service. This year, students could also be nominated by a teacher, or a peer for being an all around terrific person. After the awards were given, students attended a ceremony where they enjoy refreshments and received a certificate.

Frankie La'maire  
Stellagrace Rathgaber  
Ava Gonzales  
Dean Carney  
Matthew Neumann  
Vittana Rodriguez  
Sophia Reyes  
James Duryea  
Brody Murphy  
Justin Minaya  
Alesia Vargas

Brendan Barry  
Michael Feiler  
Siena Wells  
Leah Romano  
Izabella Sampietro  
Ryan Schubeck  
Angelina Chen  
Alexis Giglietta  
Ava Malley  
Gigi Morrison  
Toby Moy  
Christian Romelus







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## Food drive



The food drive was a complete success. Everyone helped out in big and small ways! Ms. Morrow's first period class won the bagel breakfast for donating more than 400 cans of food! One student in eight grade brought in 238 cans of food for the food drive! Student Government definitely had so much fun hosting this food drive. Students went to each classroom to collect and organize the canned goods. They had to pack up boxes and then deliver the food to families in need. After this event, all class winners including Ms. Morrow's class, Ms. Gianatiempo's class, & Ms. Appleton's class, enjoyed a bagel breakfast. Everyone needs food for the holidays! Thanks to all those who donated! You made a families happy for the holidays.

Courtney Neglia, Shea Granai & Grace Foster



## Builders Club Coat Drive



This winter Salk's Builders Club organized a coat drive for families in need. They collected coats and warm winter gear November through December. Over eight bags of donations were collected at Salk. Their hard work, for the families, paid off. Thank you to everyone that donated coats that will help keep people warm for the winter.

~ Courtney Neglia







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## Mr. Martinez Teacher Interview

### What Inspired you to be a teacher?

“I wanted to become a teacher in order to help students.”

### What do you like about being a teacher?

“The thing I like most about being a teacher is the relationships I get to build with students. Teaching isn't only about teaching subjects, It's also about teaching students how to navigate the stress of everyday life.”

### Where did you go to college?

“I went to college at Webber International University down in Florida. I got my Masters Degree from Touro College in Bayshore.”

### What is your favorite thing about Salk so far?

“My favorite thing about Salk is how kind and helpful my colleagues have been.”

~Courtney Neglia



## NJHS Annual Gingerbread night



Every year, the National Junior Honors Society hosts an annual gingerbread night. Students of all grades come to build a gingerbread house with their peers while listening to holiday music. All members of the NJHS brought in items for the gingerbread houses, and some members stayed and helped at the event. We thank all members of the NJHS for making this night possible!

~Grace Foster







THE JAMBOREE WAS A COMPLETE SUCCESS! THE ENTIRE SCHOOL CAME TOGETHER TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR ST. JUDES CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL. STUDENTS GOT TO PARTICIPATE IN GAMES, RAFFLES, AND EVEN BUY GIFTS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS. IN FACT, WE ENDED UP SURPASSING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE RAISED LAST SCHOOL YEAR. WE RAISED OVER \$2,100. THANK YOU TO ALL THE CLUBS, STUDENTS, AND STAFF THAT GAVE UP THEIR TIME TO HELP CONTRIBUTE TO THE JAMBOREE! AND A SPECIAL THANKS TO MRS. PAPACH. THE JAMBOREE COULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT HER!

~GRACE FOSTER







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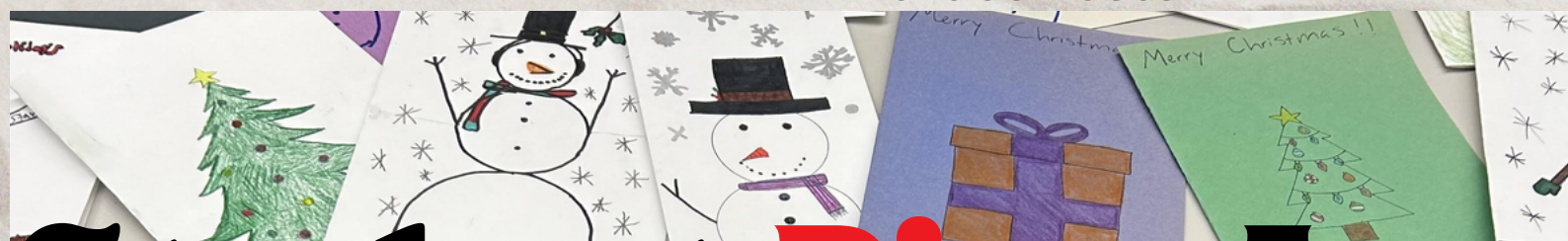
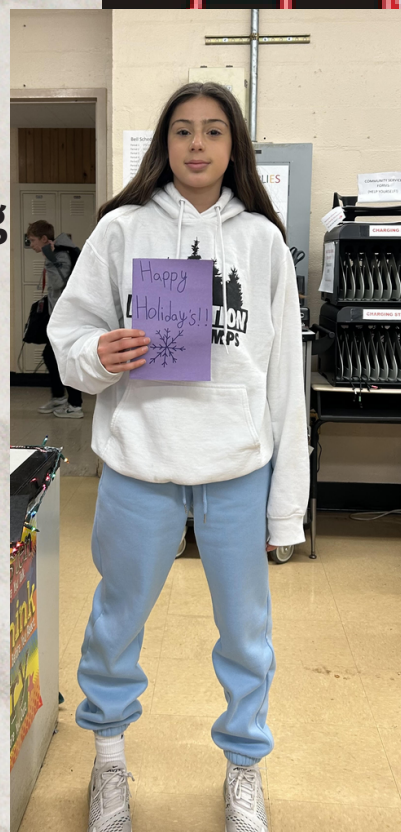


### Holiday cards



The Connections Club enlisted the help of the entire student body to make special Thanksgiving and holiday cards for elderly residents of the Mayfair Care Center Nursing Home. Many beautiful cards were made and sent. The residents loved receiving them. Students that made eight cards or more, you earned community service hours by filling out a form in the computer lab. Ms. Papach has collected so many and made someone smile for the holidays !

~Grace Foster



# Student **Rise** Awards

**Rise Awards are given to students and staff who exemplify the RISE characteristics**

## Student RISE Awards



Cameron Peterson  
Connor Trainor  
Ella Martinez  
Jasmine Hernandez  
Skye Boyd-Banegas  
Cristian Ricaurte  
Madison Wacks  
Luca Pavlou  
Isabella Chlebek  
Jordan Tighe  
Shea Granai  
Nate Johnson  
Lindsay Sirota  
Londyn Kaye



### Integrity

(in-tēg'ri-tē) *n.*

1. Having the character quality of being honest, reliable and fair.

