



Gorgeous Prince George's Donates Tree in Memory of Fourth Grader at Greenbelt Elementary School

In October, Greenbelt Elementary School lost fourth grader Rafael Martins. While it has been a difficult time for our students, the faculty has worked closely with Rafael's family to find ways that our school can meaningfully honor his memory.

One thing that the school has done is planted a red bud tree in the front lawn of our school. The tree, donated by Gorgeous Prince George's, will have beautiful fuchsia flowers in the spring,

and can be seen from Rafael's house. The fourth graders and Rafael's family participated in the planting ceremony on Monday, November 9, 2009. Donations in Rafael's memory can be made to Camp Sunshine, 35 Acadia Rd, Casco ME, 04015.



Bela and Marines Martins and Praise Bate at the tree planting ceremony.

Pause with Ms. Seidel

A big thank you to Mr. Kim and Ms. Svenson of the Rotary Club for donating and delivering dictionaries to the third graders. Our students are so excited about these books, and carry them everywhere! Enjoy the Thanksgiving Break, and I look forward to seeing all of you on Monday, November 30.

Kimberly Seidel, Principal

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- November 25-27– Thanksgiving Break. Schools are closed.
- November 29– Edward M. Felegy Honors Kennedy Center Concert, 3:00 p.m. in the Concert Hall
- November 30– Grades 2 and 4 field trip to the National Aquarium in Baltimore.
- December 4– Grades 3 and 5 field trip to Constitution Hall.
- December 6– Chorus students perform at Greenbriar Community Center Tree Lighting, 6:30 p.m.
- December 16- “Dona Nobis Pacem” Winter Choral Music Concert, 6:30 p.m.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving– enjoy this time with your family and friends. See you next Monday!



Third Graders Ashley Gonzalez and Taylor Carrion proudly display their new dictionaries that were donated by the Rotary Club. More than just a dictionary, it includes information on the solar system, the fifty states, presidents, countries around the world, and even the longest word in the English language! Parents, challenge your students to pronounce this word that has over 1,900 letters! It's so great to have community support for our school– thank you !