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# Rumson Students are on a Quest for Kindness

During the week of October 7-11, 2024, the Rumson School District observed the Week of Respect in accordance with NJ's Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act.

Deane-Porter and Forrestdale Schools launched a community-wide Kindness Quest, which included numerous activities designed to educate and promote the goals of the week, with the help of the Forrestale Student Government Association. The highlight for students and families was a Kindness Scavenger Hunt throughout town. Students used their map to visit the community establishments who partnered with the district, to find the kindness trivia questions and bring them back to their Homeroom. The culminating event was a Respect Royale Main Office



Game Show to close out the week. Many of the Rumson businesses that were featured on the Kindness Quest also donated prizes for the Game Show, including: Cups & Cakes, Rumson Market, Risposo's at Rumson Market, Peach Pit, Rumson Pharmacy, ABC Bagel, and Crazee's.

Throughout the week, students also received education on the NJ Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying laws, the school's Honor Code, and the social-emotional learning competencies. The 6th - 8th graders loved serving as book buddies, reading picture books about kindness and respect to younger students at Deane-Porter. Lastly, students helped to spread the message of kindness by "chalking the walk" and adding words of encouragement and kindness to the school pathways.



The week was truly a community wide success!