



# St Pius X School

"A Fein-stein Leadership School"

"Helping to better the lives of others is the greatest of all achievements."

Mr. Alan Shawn Feinstein

## Biking for a Good Cause

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On October 29, 2009 a bike parade was held at the Avondale Preserve in Westerly, Rhode Island to collect food for the W.A.R.M. Center in Westerly.

St. Pius X Feinstein Junior Scholar David Bilotto, grade one, came up with the idea one evening during a walk with his family. David wanted to do something to help others. He decided to have a bike parade. He asked his

friends, family, and community members to decorate their bicycles for the parade and to bring non-perishable foods that could be donated to the W.A.R.M. Center.

Twenty children and their families participated in the bike parade. The groceries collected filled two trunk loads. One family even donated money which was given to the

W.A.R.M. Center's heating fuel drive.

After the parade, David, his brother Luke (Pre-K), and his mom delivered the food to the Center. While there, the boys learned about the center and how they help people.

The bike parade was very successful. David and his family plan on making this an annual event.

Great Job, David!

### Principal

Henry Fiore

### Pastor

Rev. Raymond Suriani

### Coordinators

Jeanne McDonald

Janine Kay

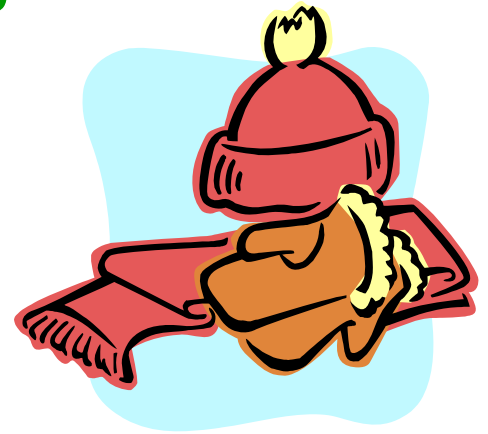
"As a Feinstein Leadership School, we are committed to teaching our students to be caring to one another."



# Feinstein Thanksgiving Drive

From November 9th through November 30th, for our school-wide Feinstein "I Can Make a Difference Project", the students collected one coat, 29 scarves, 105 hats, and 95 pairs of gloves and mittens to help those in

need this winter. The Feinstein Jr. Scholars collected 230 items which were then donated to the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center. Great Work Jr. Scholars!



## Classroom Feinstein Projects

**Pre-K** — In October the students in Pre-K 3 visited the residents of The Elms. The children went dressed in their Halloween costumes to sing songs to the residents and share a special snack. The children returned to the Elms in November to make a project and spend time with the residents reading books. Finally, in December, the class went to The Elms to do an intergenerational project and sang Christmas carols for the residents.

**Grade K**— The students made decorations of cheer during the months of November and December. The holiday decorations were distributed with the Eucharistic ministers at Sunday mass to be brought to the sick and shut-ins of the parish.

**Grade 1**— During the month of October, the class, along with grade 3 made cards for the sick and the shut-ins. Then in November the students made Thanks-

giving cards for the sick.

**Grade 2**— Throughout the month of October, the students said "The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy" every Monday for the poor people in need of clothing, food, and shelter. Then, in November, the children collected bath towels for the Westerly Animal Shelter. The towel drive was very successful. The students collected 26 towels for their animal friends! Lastly, for December, grade 2 collected personal care items, such as toothpaste, soap, and powder, for teens in the care of D.C.Y.F. These items were used to fill the teenagers' Christmas stockings.

**Grade 3**—In October, November, and December the class visited the Westerly Health Center as part of their ongoing Building Bridges Program. The children brought the residents cards they had made.

**Grade 4**— In October, the class made Halloween treats for their

Reading Buddies. Grade 4 also designed and made bookmarks for their friends at the Westerly Nursing Home. For the month of November, the children made Thanksgiving cards for the residents of the nursing home.

**Middle School English Classes**—Mrs. DiMuccio's classes sent letters of gratitude to World War II veterans. The letters were read on their flight back from visiting the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

**Grade 8**—Each Wednesday, the eighth grade students, donate a quarter in the "money jar". All proceeds are given to the W.A.R.M Shelter when the jar is filled to the top.

**Student Council**— During Spirit Week the staff and students participated in "Sneaker Day". Each person paid \$1 to wear their favorite sneakers to school. A total of \$142.00 was donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

## Cards of Good Cheer

For our December Feinstein project each class created cards or pictures for members of the military. These "cards of good cheer" were sent to Navy personnel home ported in Norfolk, Virginia. We thank our service members for all that they do

to protect us and pray for their safe return.



## Perennial Patch

Our Feinstein Good Deeds program kicked off in September. We do several projects that continue throughout the year.

**Can Pull Tabs**—these are collected for the Ronald McDon-

ald House.

**Cancelled or new stamps**—collected for the Franciscan Missions in Wisconsin. These stamps are sold to help missionaries stamp out poverty by providing food, clothing,

and housing for the poor.

**General Mills Box Tops and Campbell's Soup Labels**—these labels and box tops help us earn new equipment for our school.

## Feinstein Canned Food Drive

The St. Pius X School Feinstein Jr. Scholars conducted a Food Drive during the month of October. The students and staff collected cans of vegetables, fruit, soup and tuna fish. Other items donated included Jell-O, cereal, rice, pasta, peanut butter and jelly. These food donations were delivered to Johnnycake Center, in Westerly, to help restock the food pantry for the upcoming winter.

The drive was a great success with over 350 items collected! The Feinstein Jr. Scholars have collected over 4000 items of food for the needy. This Feinstein Challenge to help the needy benefitted the school because Mr. Feinstein generously gave the school a dollar for each canned food donated by the students.



# Random Acts of Kindness

The halls of our school are filled with Feinstein Jr. Scholars who were "caught being good." Among the students are:

**Kaelie Kennedy**, Pre-K, helped another friend set up their cot.

**Kamerin Foberg**, grade K, helps gather toys and carries them in to school after recess.

**Joshua Randall**, grade 1, put away his friend Emilia's pencil for her.

**Marcus Morrone and Michael King**, grade 2, picked up paper towels in the boys' bathroom that were dropped by other students.

**Mae Felkner**, grade 2, offered her slice of pizza to a classmate who did not have a lunch.

**Connor Warner**, grade 2, gave a pencil to a classmate that had broken hers during a test.

**Peter Fiore**, grade 3, offered a snack to a student who did not have one. He also tried to help a student who was upset.

**Trinity Wilk**, grade 4, helped Mrs. Cozzolino with some errands.

**Alex Benoit and Ashlyn Farrell**, grade 8, shared their lunch with a student who forgot his.

**Nicolas Wollenberg, Chris Billias and Amanda James**, grade 8, shared their snacks with classmates who had forgotten theirs.

**Alex Benoit**, grade 8, took down the chairs in the morning without being asked.

**Catherine Small**, grade 8, assisted a student who was on crutches by bringing her books from class to class.

**Virginia Duncan, Daniel Martineau, and Jonathan Capalbo**, grade 8, assisted a student who was on crutches with her books, chair, and locker.

**Liam Collie**, Pre-K, comforted his friend who was upset and missed his mommy.

**Noah DeSantis**, grade K, helped a classmate zip up his coat on a cold day.

**Lauren Wilks**, grade 1, helped her friend by showing her how to jump rope during recess.

**Jillian Baccari** grade 2, helped to clean up paper towels that had fallen on the floor.

**Sam Eaton**, grade 2, helped a friend pick up the crayons she had dropped.

**Mae Felkner**, grade 2, comforted a classmate who hurt his leg.

**Cooper Fiore**, grade 2, helped his classmate pick up her papers and books that had fallen onto the floor.

**David Harrold**, grade 2, hung up a friend's coat that had fallen off its hook.

**Isabella Trombino**, grade 2, picked up a classmate's pencil sharpener that he had dropped.

**Jacob Curran**, grade 2, helped a friend when she dropped her lunch box.

**Lauren Anhalt**, grade 3, helped a fellow student in need.

**Stephanie Beaulieu**, grade 3, helped another student clean out her desk.

**Bella Spano**, grade 3, helped another student clean out her desk and get organized.

**Alex Wilks**, grade 3, helped a student find his place in his book and get ready for dismissal.

**Claire Jalbert**, grade 3, shared her

sandwich with a classmate in need of lunch.

**Sarah LaBrosse**, grade 3, was a kind friend to a student who was having a difficult day.

**Anna-Maria D'Ambra**, grade 4, brought in an art box full of supplies for a student who had lost his.

**Luke Bilotto**, Pre-K, assisted a friend who could not complete a puzzle.

**Elizabeth Miner**, grade K, offered to get a classmate a toy during outdoor recess.

**Isabella DeSantis**, grade 2, helped a friend who had dropped all his papers.

**Quentin Karam**, grade 2, helped a classmate who was having a problem zipping her heavy winter coat.

**Hollie Pryor**, grade 8, shared her snack with her friend that had forgotten hers.

All the Feinstein Jr. Scholars of our school can always be seen being helpful, compassionate, and giving. We applaud you for your kindness.

**The St. Pius X  
School Feinstein Jr.  
Scholars have completed over 2000  
good deeds!**

Alan Shawn Feinstein is the founder of the Feinstein Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to helping the needy and empowering students of all ages to help better their communities. The Feinstein annual campaign against hunger has become the most successful grass roots effort to fight hunger of all times. 40,000 plus Rhode Island Jr. Scholars and their teachers spearhead this campaign each spring.