

*"Friendship is the hardest thing in the world to explain. It's not something you learn in school. But if you haven't learned the meaning of friendship, you really haven't learned anything."*

**Muhammad Ali**

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Congratulations to an outstanding production of *Pirates of Penzance!* The Hardimon clan went to opening night last Friday and we were utterly amazed! The set designs were professional and the performers were poised and wonderful. There are still tickets available for the remaining performances next weekend. Don't miss out on the fun!!!

Art work created by six RJG students, as well as numerous other Acton and Acton-Boxborough students, are on display at two Youth Art Month Exhibits - one is at the Worcester Art Museum, the other at the Massachusetts State Transportation Building in Boston. Both exhibits are open through the end of March and are free and open to the public. They are sponsored by the Massachusetts Art Education Association and are part of a national celebration of student work in exhibits across the country.

Thanks to the RJG World Language Department and all the parent volunteers for making World Language Week a fantastic experience. Not only were the cultural and culinary experiences exciting, it was fascinating to hear a variety of students reading the World Language Week announcements over the PA system in different languages such as Mandarin, Greek, Hindi, Ukrainian, and Hungarian. Thanks to all the parents and friends who made presentations in class, who send in food, and who helped with the World Language European Breakfast. I would also like to thank Roche Brothers, Donelan's, Rose of Sharon, and the Press family for their generous donations.

As much as the school can help educate our students about making good decisions, nothing is more essential than the relationship between children and their parents. This Wednesday is our third annual grade 7 Project Wellness Day. The goal of the day is to facilitate this essential parent/child communication. I was intrigued by the concept when I first heard about it last spring and I can't wait to be a part of this great event.