

Star Time Theme

CELEBRATING HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD AT
BENJAMIN JEPSON MULTI-AGE MAGNET SCHOOL



At Benjamin Jepson Multi-Age Magnet School, STAR Time is when our students come together in a multi-age setting to work on specific themes through project based learning. For the last six weeks, our students came together in a creative and educational celebration of diversity and culture through the theme, "Holidays Around the World." This theme provided an exciting opportunity for students to explore and embrace the rich tapestry of global traditions.

To celebrate our learning, we had two days of special events. Our first celebration of learning started with a Parent Day for students in Pre-K through 4th grade, where parents were invited to join their children in learning about the holiday that their child studied. This interactive day not only fostered a sense of community but also allowed families to engage in hands-on activities that highlighted unique customs and traditions.

Parents and children worked side by side, crafting decorations, learning traditional songs, and even playing games associated with holidays from different cultures.

Meanwhile, students in grades 5 through 8 took on the role of educators, sharing their newfound knowledge with the younger students. This peer-teaching approach encouraged older students to delve deeper into their studies, as they prepared presentations and hands on activities around holidays

such as Hogmany, Lunar New Year, Boxing Day, and Kwanzaa . The older students' enthusiasm and creativity were infectious, as they brought these celebrations to life through storytelling, games, and crafts.

Our students loved showcasing their projects with their parents and their peers. This theme not only highlighted the importance of understanding and respecting different cultures, but also emphasized the joy and unity found in celebrating our diverse world.

Through STAR Time, Benjamin Jepson Multi-Age Magnet School continues to nurture a love for learning and a deep appreciation for the world's myriad cultures, all while strengthening the bonds within our school community.

