

Coventry Board of Education

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The "School Store" at the G. H. Robertson Intermediate School (GHR) is making a BIG difference in the Coventry community. During the 2007/2008 school year, the idea of a store run by students was conceived by Kayla Choiniere and Jacob O'Neil, both 4th graders at that time. They wrote down their proposal and presented it to the school principal, Mr. David Petrone. The goal was to sell useful school items to students and any proceeds leftover, would be given to their community to help those in need.

The School Store began operation in March 2008, ran by Kayla & Jacob, under the supervision of Mrs. Nan Kandolin, para-professional at GHR. They were very excited to be able to donate \$200.00 to the Coventry Food and Fuel Bank in June 2008.

Kayla and Jacob continued running the School Store during their 5th grade year; 2008/2009. The school proceeds that year enabled them to purchase \$535.00 in playground equipment for GHR. By June of 2009, they had a surplus of \$400.00 which was donated to the Coventry Food and Fuel Bank.

This year the School Store has been a huge success, again, with Mrs. Kandolin supervising her many helpers, Madegan Morrison, Lead Helper, Jenna Papandrea, Sydney Brierley, Trevor Brierley, Justin Mancino, Grace Galey, Rachel Martin, Trevor Moulton, Callie Moulton, Tessa Sheades and Justin Gray. Additional playground items totaling \$570.00 were purchased in March 2010. The anticipated donation to Coventry Food and Fuel Bank is \$600.00, the largest donation to date.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Mr. David Petrone, Principal at the G.H. Robertson Intermediate School at 860-742-7341, ext. 135.