

# Autism Resource Team

North Montgomery Community Schools

Winter Newsletter



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*IT's all how you look at things.....*

"Perspective is all in how you see things. This applies to everything in our lives, but this especially applies to those of us who are living with special needs. We should always try to look at things from a different perspective sometimes. Never make assumptions about things you don't know. Ask questions and become informed.

We all see things differently, that is what makes us all unique - not right or wrong. What is wrong is when we refuse to try to see things from a different point of view.

When dealing with individuals with special needs you can't always judge things by what you see. Remember, things are not always as they seem. As the saying goes, "If you have seen one child with autism, then you've seen one child with autism."

Always keep an open mind and be willing to see things from the other person's point of view, even if they are an individual with special needs. They have their own way of seeing things, doing things, and what works for them."

**Different isn't wrong, just different!**

*From Beth Schweigel~ The Information Advocate*

## APP of the month

"Model Me Going Places"

The free autism app for iPad, iPhone, or iTouch includes stories for going to get a haircut, a trip to the grocery store, going to the doctor, eating out at a restaurant and more. To find these apps, just do a quick search for "Model Me Going Places" in the Apple App Store. The "Model Me Kids" curriculum is used at the middle school and high school.



### Autism in the News

In October, 60 Minutes featured a special on children with Autism and the use of mobile touch screen devices such as the iPad. If you were unable to see this special, please go to

<http://www.cbsnews.com/video/watch?id=7385402n>

It highlights how all students with verbal and non verbal skills with Autism can benefit from using the technology in these devices.

### News From The Hill!

Pleasant Hill Elementary has the pleasure of hosting the monthly PART meetings on Monday nights. What is PART? PART is the Parent Autism Resource Team and is led by Mary Broadstreet. PART was created to bring resources and information to parents in and around our community. Please help support PART by attending their monthly meetings. If you would like more information, you may find them on FACEBOOK or you may go to this link:

<http://montgomerypart.webs.com/>

### Contact us!

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