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St. James first graders reach out to fellow students in Union Beach

RED BANK — During the month of January, the first graders of St. James Elementary School, with the help of teachers Miss Kira Nelsen, of Middletown and Mrs. Luba DeFazio, of Red Bank, collected classroom supplies and sponsored a dress down day for Memorial School in Union Beach.

Memorial School was heavily damaged by Super Storm Sandy.

Along with a wide variety of school craft items and cleaning supplies, the students were able to send a

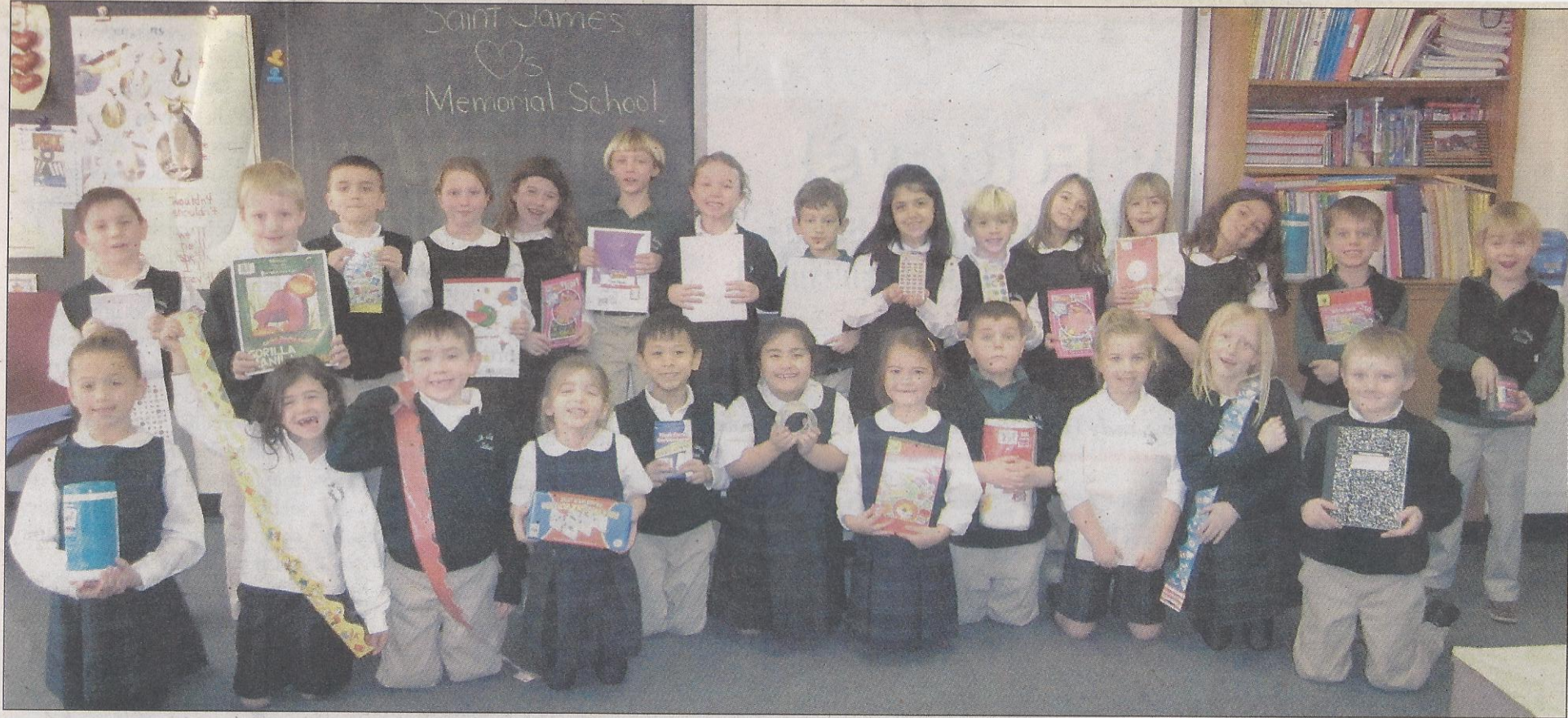
In addition to school craft items and cleaning supplies, students raise \$700

check for over \$700 to help with the relief efforts. The first graders also sent many messages of love and hope.

“It was really important to do a fundraiser that involved the students because they are

aware of the damage caused by Hurricane Sandy and they know how blessed they are,” Miss Nelsen said. “We are very lucky to have so many parents willing to help out and participate to show their children the importance of helping others in need.”

Saint James Elementary School, a pre-K through 8th Grade Catholic School, serves students and families in the greater Red Bank/Middletown area. For more information visit www.mysaintjames.com or call 732 741-3363.



St. James Students Help Fellow Students In Need

Miss Nelsen's Saint James School first grade class proudly show off some of the school supply items that they collected and delivered to Memorial School in Union Beach which was badly damaged during Superstorm Sandy in late October. See complete story on page 4.