

## SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

### John Adams High School and John Adams YABC in Queens

In effort to improve their school environment, the students at John Adams YABC in collaboration with John Adams High School (JAHS) are leading a service-learning project to create a better and more welcoming space for learning. The project, now in its second year, began in a service-learning class in the YABC program and has since expanded to include the students in the JAHS Mural Club. Motivated to create a better school environment, students enrolled in the YABC program started addressing this issue by researching quotes from historic and important figures that could provide inspiration to students. The class then selected the quotes they felt would foster the most encouragement to students throughout the school. Finally, students painted murals in the school building featuring these quotes from inspiring individuals.

Students working on the mural project are collaborating with external organizations, generationOn and Global Kids. Through the continued partnership between John Adams, generationOn, and Global Kids students are hoping that this project will expand outside the school building to include areas in their local community to make a positive impact on fellow community



*Students from John Adams paint a mural with an inspirational quote to create a better school environment*