

Bolivar Road School

“The Address for Success”



April 2019

Principal's Monthly Message

The month of March was super busy, as our scholars took part in a Fruit and Vegetable March Madness. Scholars competed against other grade levels by trying different fruits and vegetables. March Madness brought with it one thing (besides heart-stopping college hoops)...brackets. Dozens and dozens of brackets filled the internet and generated discussion as to which team would take it all the way. The days before the tournament started basketball fans strategized, researched, and showed excitement over which team would upset the others and whether their favorite team would win the championship. But March also brought "alternative" brackets, an excuse to compete against each other. For Bolivar Road Elementary School those items were FRUITS and VEGETABLES. Our scholars strategized and ranked 16 fruits versus vegetables and had them square off to determine Bolivar Road's champion healthy food. Some of the fruit and vegetable teams were cucumbers versus broccoli, red peppers versus carrots, oranges versus strawberries. It was exciting testing fruits and vegetables in the Final Four and Championship games! During March Madness, scholars learned the importance of making half their plate filled with fruits and vegetables! They also learned that fruits and vegetables are a key part of an overall healthy eating plan since they are delicious, colorful, nutritious, convenient, and fun to eat. Our school's wellness committee did a wonderful job!

Bolivar Road joined the Hero Squad! For three weeks in March scholars participated in a nationwide campaign called **Pennies for Patients** sponsored by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. All proceeds from this campaign went towards cancer research. To make things a little more interesting, each grade level competed as a team to bring in the "heaviest" amount of donations. The campaign was a HUGE success and we are THANKFUL for all of the support our students and families gave towards this cause.

New York State Assessments will take place in April, May, and June. Grades 3-4 NYS ELA Test takes place on April 2 and 3. Grades 3-4 NYS Math Test takes place on May 1 and 2. Grade 4 NYS Science Tests take place on May 28, 29, and June 3. We strongly encourage that scholars come to school on time, be well rested, and eat a good breakfast, whether that be at home or here at school.

We are currently registering scholars for kindergarten. If you have a child who has not been registered, please stop into our office and register for the 2019-2020 school year. Kindergarten screening will take place in May.

As the warm weather approaches, please remember that our scholars will be going out on the playground regularly. Sneakers or closed toe shoes are a must. Scholars cannot play near the wood chips with open toe shoes or flip flops. The blacktop can also become very hot, so sneakers are a better choice to keep our scholars safe.

Ms. Burgess

Bolivar B.E.A.R.S.

The character trait for
April is:

COURAGE

The character trait
for all year is:

CITIZENSHIP

(Please go to the Bolivar Webpage
to find out more information.)

ICE CREAM SPECIALS...WHAT'S THIS?

The Ice Cream "Specials" event is coming up on Thursday, May 16. You are invited to view unique works of art that have been created by your child that will be on display in the hallways. There will also be a self-run obstacle course set up in the gym. Visit the library and be sure to catch "The Drumming Club" performance. Move about the "special areas" at your leisure and make sure to join us in the cafeteria for an ice cream social.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 3	2 NYS ELA Tests Grades 3 & 4 4	3 NYS ELA Tests Grades 3 & 4 5	4 6	5 Third Marking Period Ends 1	6
7	8 2	9 3	10 6 p.m. PTA Meeting in Lib. 4	11 5	12 Report Cards Sent Home 6	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
← Spring Recess - No School →						
21	22 Spring Recess No School	23 1	24 2	25 3	26 4	27
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We don't make the school run; we help make it fun!



Dear Family & Friends of Bolivar Road,

Is it Spring yet?!

Staff Appreciation week is **May 6-10** and we need your help to make it an amazing week for our staff. We traditionally have a breakfast, a lunch, and a grab-n-go snack day for our staff. Please email us at BolivarPTA@gmail.com if you can help. If you're crafty with small gifts, have a special recipe everyone loves, or you're able to donate food or gift cards, we'd love to hear from you.

Ice Cream Specials and **Scholastic Bookfair** will be May 16 from 6-7:30. For **Ice Cream Specials** we highlight the "specials" classes: Art, Music, Library, and PE. Enjoy ice cream sundaes in the cafeteria served by our staff and do some **Scholastic Bookfair** shopping in the library. Mark your calendars!

Our next PTA meeting will be Wednesday, April 10 in the BRE library at 6 pm.

Text @bolivarrd to 81010 for school event and activity reminders!



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