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Getting Busy at BCS!!!

Many Groups and Clubs are available for the 2018-19 school year.

In addition to:

- Student Council
- National Honor Society
- Cheer Club
- Boys' and Girls' Varsity and Modified sports teams
- Sports for elementary students in the winter, spring and summer
- Rachel's Club for grades 5-12
- Sources of Strength for grades 8-12
- Natural Helpers for grades 6-12
- Mentoring for grades 4-8
- Study center after school for grades 5-12 for homework help
- Kids Club After school programming for grades K-4
- School Plays
- Jazz Band
- Band
- School Musicals
- Woody's Supper Club

There are several new additions! These include:

- Lego League
- Robotics
- Scholastic Challenge
- Big and Little Bulldogs for High school and elementary students
- Problem Solvers for grades 3 and 4
- Inventors Club for grades 4-8
- Master Minds for grades 9-12

Many of our existing groups will have a slightly different focus this year. For example, Rachel's Club will have a clear community service direction. Natural Helpers will be planning field trips that build student capacity for help-seeking from peers and adults. Sources of Strength will use more interactive games and activities to build resilience and self-confidence.

For more details, please contact the Main Office and they will direct you to the advisor for each group.

BCS is also in need of mentors for ninety minutes each Tuesday or Thursday to work with a student in a supervised setting. Background checks and training are free from New York State Education Dept.

Our Inventor's Club came up with some unique inventions!



Lego Club



Inventors Club



Rachel's Club



Rachel's Club

Kids Clubs!

All Things Fall

Cooking
Tasting
Science Experiments
Field Trip
Exploring
Dancing

And More!

Articles to go with these photos are located on Page 2.

Inventors Club (Cont'd from Cover)

Inventors Club was designed for students in grades 4 through 8. A few third graders have been added to the mix to create a lively group of fifteen children from grade 3 to grade 6.

(Pictured on the cover, students are creating a mini-weather station model and then forecasting a storm with a mouthful of marshmallows.)

- We have learned about early inventions including the Earl of Sandwich's method of putting a slab of meat between two hunks of bread so that he would not have to leave his poker game to eat in 1762.
- We taste tested hot dogs and charted our preferences. 100% of the students preferred turkey hot dogs over the chicken and pork varieties.
- We saw a video about how hot dogs are made.
- We invented games and played them with both skill and abandon.
- Learning about early games such as bobbing for apples was fun and we changed the water in between each contestant.

In addition to generating some coding experience to create a simple video game early in 2019, the students have enjoyed making some healthy snacks. Yogurt, peanut butter and vanilla were carefully measured to create a dip for Asian pears donated by Eunice Kemp.

Rachel's Club (Cont'd from Cover)

The first Rachel's Club for elementary grades was held on the playground with Sarah Beck and Jane Foster leading the chalk art demonstration of what does a friend look like. Several participants had great projects.

Future sessions include games, sharing, taking turns and "filling someone's bucket" when they are struggling.



Fall Musical - Once Upon A Mattress

Mark your calendars because you don't want to miss our Fall Musical "Once Upon a Mattress" the hilarious retelling of the classic fairy tale about The Princess and the Pea! Find out what really happened! Our cast of 20 7-12 grade students have been hard at work learning this musical and you are in for an evening of laughs and entertainment! November 9th and 10th at 7 PM in the Belfast Auditorium. Admission is free, donations are welcome!



**BRING YOUR SMILE!
PICTURE RETAKE DAY**

**THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 1, 2018**

TO ORDER ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT:
INTER-STATE.COM/ORDER
AND USE ORDER CODE: **29871FB**

Students must return their original picture packet to the photographer for retakes.



Belfast Best

The following are this month's... Belfast Best

A Belfast Best goes out to Gummie Bear, for finding the most gum under the desk and chairs; Inspector Ashley for paying very close attention to detailing our school; Mario/Luigi, depending on his driving ability for the day; Luigi/Mario depending on his driving ability for the day.

You know who you are, and you are all the best!

Pre-K Farmer's Market



Kindergarten News

BCS Kindergarten families gathered together for another year of planting fall bulbs and mums. In the Spring, the children will love watching the flowers sprout out of the ground. It was a special night for all the families. They were able to meet each other and have dinner together. Thank you to all the folks who came and shared this special evening. It means a great deal to our children.



First Grade Writing Event

Our first grade families stopped in for a visit this October to see their child's writing samples. The children have been working very hard to create writing pieces from small moments in their lives. They were so excited to share their work with their loved ones. All day long the children were eager with anticipation to show off their creations. We would like to thank everyone for taking time out of your busy schedules to show your child how much you value their education. You have given your child an audience and now they can't wait to venture into their next writing unit!



THANKS

A special thanks to Junie, Ashley, Christian, and Mac for all of your hard work and dedication to your summer job (2018).
 ~ *From ALL of us Summer Cleaners* ©

Special thank you to Mr. Snyder (Matt) and Mr. Struckmann (JD) for restringing the mini trampoline we have for a preschooler's OT sessions.
 ~ *From the Pre-K*

The PTO would like to thank everyone who joined us at the Fall Festival for All on October 20!
 A special thank you to BCS students, staff, parents and the Belfast community for your unwavering dedication to the PTO. With your support the PTO can continue to award student scholarships, host neighborhood events and support local efforts that empower our children, school and community.
 We welcome you to attend the next PTO meeting held on November 5, at 5:30 PM.
 ~ *From the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)*

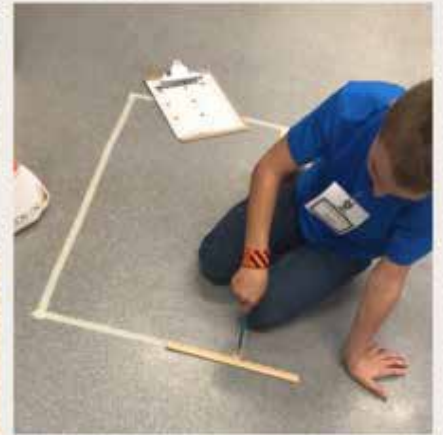
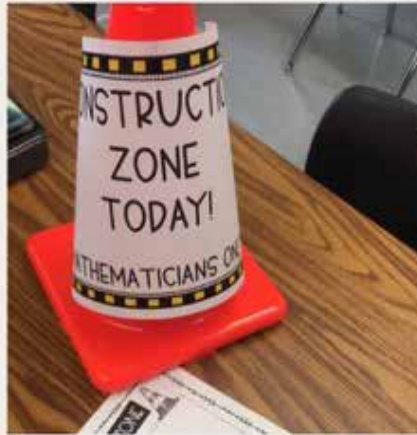


Third Graders Love to Read!



Fourth Grade News

Fourth graders became construction workers and worked hard to find the area and perimeter of rectangles and squares around our classroom.



IMPORTANT Attendance Reminder

Please remind your child that they are required to be IN first period class at 8:05 a.m.

Note that excused and unexcused Absent, Tardy, and Early Dismissal dates are documented. At the end of each quarter a letter will be sent home with report cards to inform parents of attendance dates. Excuses are required in order to change "A"=(Absent) to "E"=(Absent Excused), and "T"=(Tardy) to "L"=(Tardy Excused). Excuses should be sent in within 24 hours of returning to school. A list of excused absences is in

the student handbook.

When a parent request is made for a student to be excused early for a Doctor/Dentist/Ortho/Counseling/Professional visit, a note from the professional's office should be turned in to the school within 24 hours of returning to school. You may also request doctor's notes be faxed to 585-365-2648. You do not have to take your child to a doctor to have an illness excused. A note stating that your child is ill, briefly tell why (symptoms), with a signature and dates of absence is still an acceptable excuse.

Nurse's Corner

Happy November Belfast Families!

With colder weather headed our way, just a reminder to send your child with hats and gloves. If you are in need any winter attire please contact me.



Amy Giboo RN

Reminder: If your children have **NOT** received the necessary vaccines for this school year, time is running out! Vaccines need to be up to date and a copy of their vaccine records need to be filed in the nurse's office no later than November 30th. If your child does not have the proper vaccines, they will be sent home. If you are having trouble getting the vaccines, please let me know so I can help! If you have a doctor appointment to get your child vaccinated, and the appointment is further out than November 30, please let me know so we can work together on this matter.

We will be having Fall sports physicals on November 28. If your child is due for a sports physical, or if you are unsure please call me.

Fight the Flu Together:

Your decision to get the flu shot or not goes well beyond you. It also affects the many lives you touch...

Influenza is a contagious disease of the respiratory tract (nose, throat, and lungs) that can lead to serious complications, including pneumonia and the worsening of other chronic health conditions. Flu symptoms may include fever, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and muscle aches. The best way to protect your family from new influenza strains is to get vaccinated each year.

The top five most virus-contaminated areas in the home are:

1. Telephones (have you cleaned your cell phone lately?)
2. Appliances such as the refrigerator and microwave
3. Faucets
4. Light switch and door handles
5. TV remotes

Follow good health guidelines: eat right, exercise, and get plenty of rest to help boost your immunity to fight the effects of colds and flu. Wash hands frequently, do the elbow cough, and disinfect hot spots at school, work, and home. Treat the symptoms if you must, but avoid giving aspirin to children because it may cause a rare but serious illness called Reye syndrome. Call your doctor or visit the Health Department, or your local pharmacy to receive your flu shot!

Music Corner



BCS is proud to announce that five of our music students have been selected for NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) Zone 15 Area All-State Festivals this November.

Christian Lingenfelter, percussion and Stephen Struckmann, baritone saxophone, will represent our bands at the High School festival in Elmira, NY November 16-17. At the same festival, Aidan Heaney and Emma Sullivan will sing in the Treble Chorus and Mixed Chorus respectively.

Owen Heaney will represent BCS choirs at the Junior High festival in Hornell, NY November 2-3.

Special thanks to our BCS music teachers, Mr. Snyder and Mr. Struckmann for the extra effort to prepare these students.

Bulldog Music Proud!



Adam Enders Breaks Record October 2, vs. Hinsdale at Belfast

Nearly two minutes into the game, the Bulldogs senior managed to find the back of the net, as he recorded career goal number 133 as a part of his five-point evening to become Section V's new King of the Hill in boys soccer in Belfast's 6-1 win over Hinsdale on Tuesday.

Enders broke a tie with Jordan Chiroco and Alex Korol, both of Livonia.

Wellsville Reporter

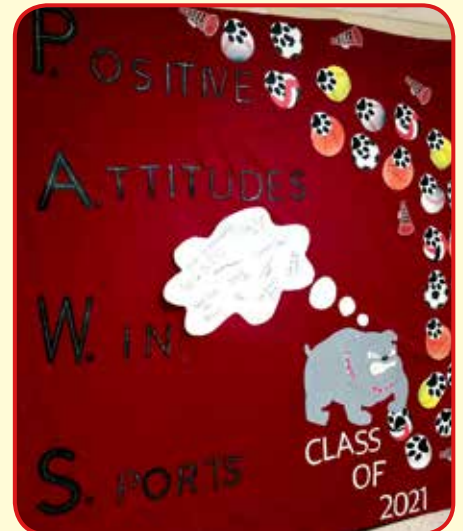


SPIRIT WEEK

BCS CELEBRATION



Homecoming King & Queen
Kevin McCumiskey
Mackenzie Hurd





IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Drop Off and Pick up of Students

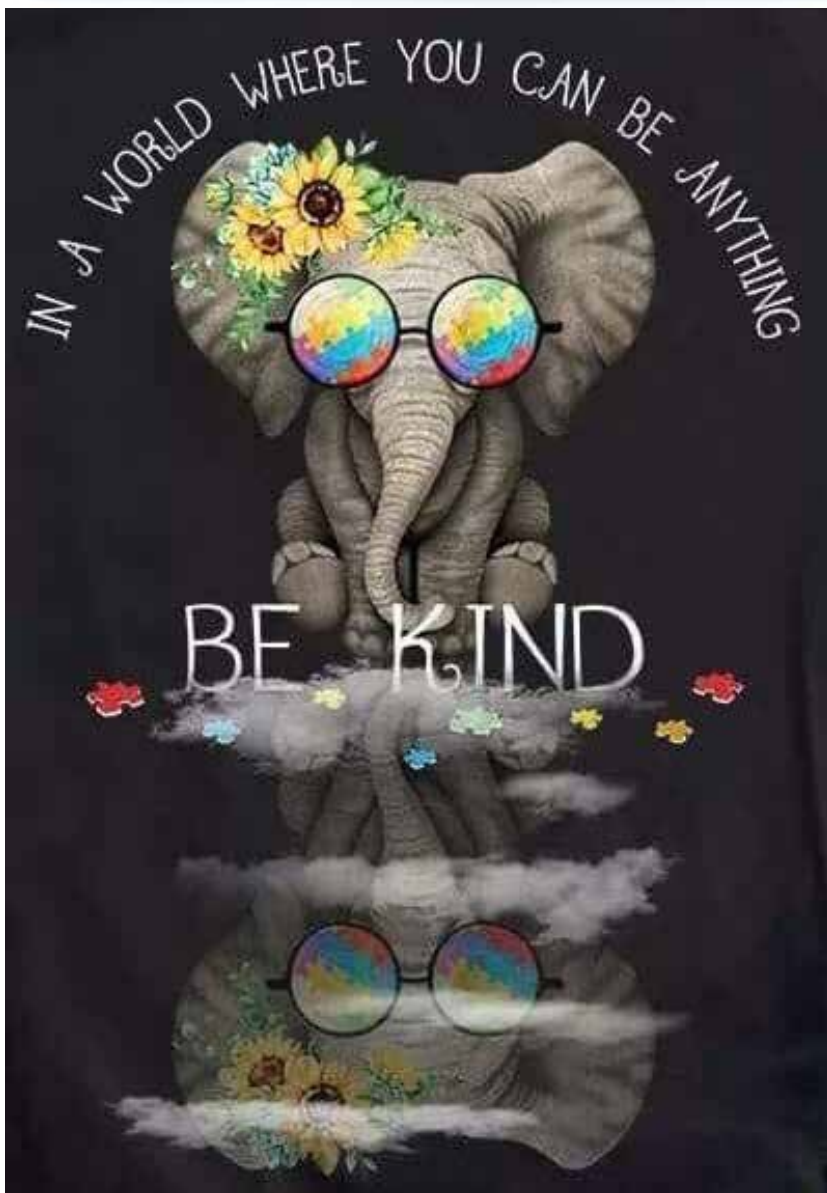
All students will enter the building through the cafeteria door. We are asking that parents drop students off in the parking lot behind the school. Please remember that students should not be in the building before 7:45 AM.

Sign in/out Procedure for all Students

- Students who are late or being picked up early, will be brought to, or picked up at, the new main entrance on South Street, near the gym.
- Parents and guardians must personally sign their children in and out.
- All parents and guests to the school will need to have a picture ID to enter the building, which will be scanned.

Dismissal of Walkers

Student walkers will leave by the playground doors, and out front.



Hat/Dress Down Days

On a Friday morning has your child asked you for a quarter or said they want to wear a hat in school? Maybe you've been in our school on a Friday and have noticed faculty and staff wearing jeans or students wearing hats. Every other Friday we have "hat/dress down days" where students can pay a quarter to get their hand stamped with a special designated stamp to wear a hat; faculty and staff donate money to wear jeans to school. The money we collect is donated to various worthy causes in our community. Thank you for your support as we continue our "hat/dress down days" throughout the school year.

Income Tax Code

New York State resident income tax returns IT200 and IT201 require you to enter the name and code number of the public school district where you were a resident on December 31, 2017. The Belfast Central School code number is 044.

Teaching and Non-Teaching substitutes needed!

Please go to the Belfast Central School website at: <https://www.applitrack.com/caboces/onlineapp/> for an application, or stop by the greeter's desk at the rear of the building to pick up an application.

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2018-19 BCS District Calendar

- Prof. Dev. Days (No Students)
- Holidays (Offices Closed)
- Breaks (No Students or Faculty)
- Graduation
- 3-8 Testing Dates
- # Regents Exam Dates
- Parent/Teacher Conference
- Open House

- 12/21-1/1 Christmas Recess
 1/1 New Year's Day
 1/21 Martin Luther King Day
 1/22-1/25 Regents Exam Dates
 2/18-2/22 President's Day / Febuary Break
 3/14 Open House (1pm Dismissal)
 3/15 Superintendent's Day
 4/2-4/9 ELA 3-8 Testing Range
 4/19 Good Friday
 4/22-4/29 Spring Recess
 5/1-5/8 MATH 3-8 Testing Range
 5/24-5/27 Memorial Day Break
 6/3 3-8 Testing Range
 Regents Exam Date
 6/18-6/21 Regents Exam Dates
 6/24-6/26 Regents Exam Dates
 6/26 Rating Day / Last Day of School
 6/28 Graduation

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THANKS

You noticed an individual at Belfast Central School doing something special - why not say THANKS?

Thanks stands for an appreciation for Acts of Noteworthy Kindness and Service. To say THANKS to someone, simply fill out this form and send it to the Superintendent's Office or drop it off at the district office.

The individual will receive special recognition for his or her dedication or service.

I want to say Thanks to...

Date: _____

Describe the individual's special efforts:

Submitter's Name: _____

BELFAST CENTRAL SCHOOL

Calendar of Events

November 2018

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1 Picture retakes, club and group picture	2	3
4 Daylight Savings Time Ends	5 PTO meeting @ 5:30PM	6 Election Day	7	8	9 Veteran's Day Ceremony 2:00PM Musical @ 7:00PM	10 Musical @ 7:00PM
11 Veteran's Day	12 Veteran's Day observation - No School	13 BOE meeting @ 5:30PM	14	15 NHS Induction	16	17
18	19 Thanksgiving Recess No School Parent/Teacher conferences	20 Thanksgiving Recess No School	21 Thanksgiving Recess No School	22 Happy Thanksgiving	23 Thanksgiving Recess No School	24
25	26	27	28	29 Awards Assembly	30 Honor Roll Breakfast	

Sports Schedules

GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

Date	Time	Opponent
11/20	5:30 pm	@ Canaseraga scrimmage
11/23	5:00 pm	@ JT scrimmage

BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

Date	Time	Opponent
11/20	5:30 pm	Arkport scrimmage
11/23	6:30 pm	@ JT scrimmage

BOYS' JV BASKETBALL

Date	Time	Opponent
11/20	5:30	Arkport scrimmage



Belfast Public Library News

We have a lot to be thankful for at the library this fall! We have had some wonderful volunteers this year and we couldn't do what we do without them. Many thanks to everyone who has come in and helped out. We appreciate your time and generosity.

November at the library this year will be "Dinovember"!

All month long we will have dinosaur themed books, crafts, and activities. It will be a roaring good time! ☺ Stop in and see what's going on!

As always, we have story time every Wednesday from 11:00-noon including a story, craft, and snacks. We have a change to Saturday story time for families from 11:00-noon. We now offer FREE coffee and tea to adults during story times.

We will be doing a recipe exchange during the week of the November 12-17, so bring in your favorite Thanksgiving recipes and take home others! You might find a new favorite!

On Tuesday, November 20 we will be having a craft night where you can come in to make a cornucopia with the kids.

On Wednesday, November 21 we have an evening story time for kids of all ages, this will be from 5:00-6:00pm.

School will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, but the library will be open. If you need something for your kids to do, bring them down. There is plenty going on every day that we are there. Even if we don't have an event listed, we always have board games, toys, crafts, and of course, BOOKS!

We will be closed on Thanksgiving day.

Adult

- *A Spark of Light* by Jodi Picoult
- *The Legend of Things Past* by Phillip Williams Sheppard
- *Desperate Measures* by Stuart Wood

- *Unsheltered* by Barbara Kingsolver
- *Every Breath* by Nicholas Sparks
- *Chateau of Secrets* by Melanie Dobson
- *Secrets on Cedar Key* by Terri Dulong
- *Robert B. Parker's Colorblind* by Reed Farrel Coleman
- *The Forbidden Door* by Dean Koontz
- *Holy Ghost* by John Sandford
- *Beartown* by Fredrick Backman
- *The Dream Daughter* by Diane Chamberlain
- *Ambush* by James Patterson
- *Echoes of Evil* by Heather Graham
- *A Willing Murder* by Jude Deveraux
- *Juror #3* by James Patterson
- *Children of the Jacaranda Tree* by Sahar Delijani
- *The Kingdom of Childhood* by Rebecca Coleman
- *Warlight* by Michael Ondaatje
- *Pieces of Her* by Karin Slaughter
- *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
- *A Possible Life* by Sebastian Faulks
- *The Plover* by Brian Doyle
- *The Perfect Mother* by Aimee Molloy

Large Print

- *Kindred in Death* by J.D. Robb
- *Elvis and the Grateful Dead* by Peggy Webb
- *Lawless Guns* by Dudley Dean

Young Adult

- *Before Midnight* by Cameron Dokey
- *Witchborn* by Nicholas Bowling
- *The Diamond Secret* by Suzanne Weyn
- *Wildcard* by Marie Lu
- *A Winter's Promise* by Christelle Dabos
- *Muse of Nightmares* by Laini Taylor
- *The Grim Lovelies* by Megan Shepherd
- *Broken Things* by Lauren Oliver
- *Juvenile*
- *Margo and Mateo Save the World* by Darcy Miller
- *The Wonky Donkey* by Craig Smith

- *Pete the Cat Goes Camping* by James Dean
- *Twice Magic* by Cressida Cowell
- *Flora and the Chicks* by Molly Idle
- *The Wright Brothers: Nose-Diving into History* by Erik Slader and Ben Thompson
- *Where the Woods End* by Charlotte Salter
- *The Gift of the Dark Hollow* by Kiernan Larwood
- *The Last* by Katherine Applegate
- *Race to Space: Countdown to Lift-off* by Erik Slader and Ben Thompson
- *My Beautiful Birds* by Suzanne Del Rizzo
- *Breakout* by Kate Messner
- *Begone the Raggedy Witches* by Celine Kiernan
- *Princesses Wear Pants* by Savannah Guthrie
- *Princesses Save the World* by Savannah Guthrie

Nonfiction

- *The Lives of John Lennon* by Albert Goldman
- *Captive: A Mother's Crusade to Save Her Daughter from a Terrifying Cult* by Catherine Oxenburg

DVDs

- *Kong - Skull Island*
- *Zoo keeper*
- *Deadliest Catch - Season 5*
- *Deadliest Catch - Season 6*
- *Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom*
- *Wonderstruck*
- *Same Kind of Different as Me*

Audio Books

- *Murder Games* by James Patterson

Library Hours - Main Building & Children's Annex

Monday, Wednesday & Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 3 p.m to 7 p.m.

Board Meetings

3rd Tuesday of the Month.
6 p.m. at Belfast Public Library

Contact the Library at 585-365-2072

**SOPHOMORE
CLASS
FUNDRAISER**

**NOVEMBER 9TH TO NOVEMBER 26TH
WILSON BEEF STICKS**

Please help support the Sophomores in raising money for their class!

Please contact Mrs. Calanni at mcalanni@belfastcsd.org
or Mrs. Lingenfelter at tlingenfelter@belfastcsd.org



From the Desk of Dr. Butler

BCS is focusing on the importance of empathy with our students and staff throughout the year. Research shows that:

- U.S. teens are now 40% lower in empathy than three decades ago (Konrath, 2012).
- As empathy has dipped, narcissism rates increased 58% (Konrath, 2012).
- Empathy reduces aggression, boosts prosocial behaviors (Eisenberg, 2010), and may be our best antidote to bullying and racism (Santos, 2011).
- Empathic students display more classroom engagement, higher academic achievement, and better communication skills (Jones, 2014).
- Empathy is the foundation of a safe, caring, inclusive learning climate (ASCD).



In an era of a national emphasis on increased academic performance, why is BCS focusing on empathy?

It is the mission of Belfast Central to have graduates who are productive citizens who will positively contribute to society. We need to ask ourselves what kind of 'people' do we want our students to become and then create an environment that cultivates our vision for our students. An emphasis on empathy will help student develop the interpersonal skills needed throughout life.

Our quest to create an empathetic culture will also lead to increased student achievement. Students who understand and express empathy have:

1. Increased academic performance
2. Lower instances of bullying
3. Increased resilience
4. Better communication skills, and
5. Stronger problem solving skills.

It is our responsibility as educators to develop skills for students to be college and career ready when they graduate, which means they will be academically and socially ready to enter the world.



From the desk of Mrs. Hess, PK-4 Principal

It's hard to believe that our first marking period of the 2018-2019 school year is coming to a close! Your child will soon be getting their report card which is full of valuable information. Once again this year we are using a "Standards Based" report card. Each box contains an "I can" statement for a



NYS standard which your child should be able to show proficiency with by the end of the school year. Students are graded on a 1-4 scale which should help you better understand if your child can demonstrate their learning with independence or still needs assistance than the traditional numerical grade will. Standards based grading and report cards also promotes growth in our students' skills, not just memorization for a test.

Our new reading assessment tool, the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment System, has been put to good use to help our teachers target their reading instruction to meet your child's needs. Each report card will include this chart:

Instructional Level Expectations for Reading			
Grade Level	Beginning September	Middle January	End June
K	Not Assessed	B/C	D
1	D	G	J
2	J	K/L	M
3	M	N/O	P
4	P	Q/R	S
Reading Level			

Children in grade 1-4 were assessed in September and their reading level will be in the bottom box in the Beginning September column. Kindergarten children will be assessed in January. Your child's instructional level is the level in which they can read with adult support from a parent or their teacher. This is the level where they are still learning new skills. If you would like more information on the reading behaviors at your child's level, please contact your child's teacher or myself. We would be happy to help you better understand where your child is in the reading process!

Another important area on your child's report card is their attendance. Students can easily fall behind if they miss too much school. Good attendance along with being on time each day is essential to their success. Please also pay attention to the Learner Behaviors section on your child's report card. This gives you insight into how they work with others, the quality of their work, if they're showing respect, and following classroom rules.

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018 from 12-8. Please contact your child's teacher to set up a conference to discuss your child's progress so far this year. Creating a connection between home and school is beneficial for all involved. If you are having trouble connecting with your child's teacher, please contact the main office for assistance.

I also want to wish each of you a thankful, restful holiday. Thank you for the commitment you have made to your child's education. When families and schools work together, we can make powerful gains!

From the desk of Mr. Roche, 5-12 Principal



As we move into cooler days of fall some tips for families as we work together to provide an education for all of our children.

Tips for helping your children succeed at school:

Develop a partnership with your child's teachers

- Attend parent-teacher conference and keep in touch. This year our parent-teacher conferences will be held November 19th, please mark your calendars now and plan on meeting with your child's teachers.

Support your child academically

- Find out how your child is doing. Don't wait for conferences in November, contact the school and speak directly with the teachers.
- Make sure that your child gets homework done. Set aside a special place and block out time for him/her to do homework. The area should be free from distractions, have them leave their electronic device(s) with you while they work.

Support your child's learning at home

- Demonstrate a positive attitude about the school and education to your children. What we say and do in our daily lives can help them to develop a positive attitude toward the school, teachers and education.
- Monitor your child's time with electronic devices.
- Talk with your child.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please contact me. Thank you for all that you do to help support your children in all that they do.

Great Monthly Attendance Award



Mrs. Mullen class won with **GREAT MONTHLY ATTENDANCE for K-4 for the month of September!** Ice cream coupons are complements of Principal Hess.

Belfast Central School

Honoring all who have served our country

Friday, November 9, 2018

2:00-3:00 p.m.

Belfast Central School Auditorium

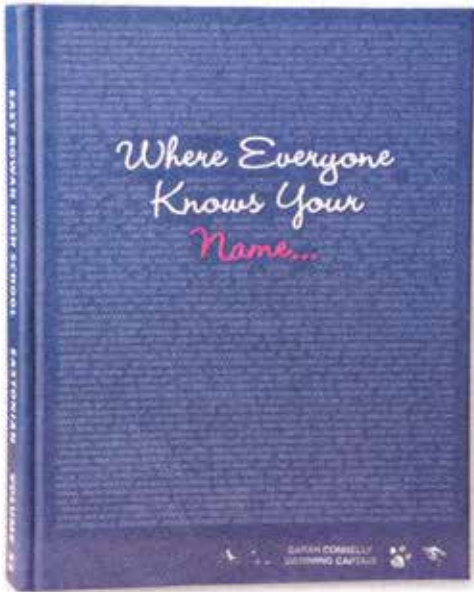
1 King St.

Belfast, NY 14711

Patriotic songs, readings, reflections by our students.

All veterans and their families are welcome.

Call the school at 585-365-2646 for more information.



Personalized Yearbook Cover

Personalize your yearbook with your name and icons printed in foil on the cover.
 Cubierta del anuario personalizada. Personaliza tu anuario con tu nombre e iconos impresos en papel metálico en la cubierta.

Indicate lines of foil imprinting and up to four icons on the order form or online.
 Indica líneas de impresión en papel metalizado y hasta cuatro iconos en el formulario de pedido o en internet.

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 Nota: El diseño de cubierta de tu escuela puede ser diferente del que se mostró anteriormente.

Announcing... The Belfast Central School 2018-2019 YEARBOOK

- Our yearbook is planned to include:**
- All-color pages that vibrantly capture school memories
 - Durable, long-lasting hard cover that protects treasured memories for a lifetime
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*Please complete the information and return with payment to your homeroom teacher or Mrs. Atherton or Mrs. Brace.

-Thank you from the 2019 Yearbook Staff





Family Gift Giving

It is that time of year again! Community members would like to host the 7th annual Family Gift Giving event for our students here at school. This will take place at the Belfast Town Hall Monday, Tuesday, and possibly Wednesday December 17-19. We are asking for any donations for gently used or new gifts for any family members (brothers, sisters, parents, ect.) or even wrapping paper/gift bags. Students PreK-6 have a chance to come "shop" for their family members and get their gifts wrapped to take home for Christmas presents. Our kids enjoy this each year. If you have any items you would like to donate or if you would like to volunteer to help wrap, please contact one of the following people: Gail DeRock (585) 307- 4171, Ethel Denning (585) 365-2282, or Lisa Denning (585) 610-7779. Thank you for your support! We will open it up to Belfast families Tuesday evening from 4-6pm.

If you would like your children to be added to the Belfast Children's Christmas Fund, please complete the **form** below by **November 15, 2018** and mail to:

Belfast Children's Fund, P.O. Box 165, Belfast, NY 14711

Your Name _____
 Address for delivery of gifts during the daytime _____

Your phone number _____
 Best time to to contact you _____

Please list the first and last names of the children (ages 18 and under) in your home.

Name _____	Age _____	Gender _____
Name _____	Age _____	Gender _____
Name _____	Age _____	Gender _____
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Please select which gift category best suits your needs (Circle just one)

• Hat and Mittens • Winter coat and boots • Toys only • Other clothing and sneakers

Have you received Belfast Children's Christmas Fund gifts previously? (Circle one) Yes No

What is the primary reason that you would like assistance this Christmas? (Circle all that apply)

• Lack of income • Lack of employment • Chronic illness in the home
 • Recent death of family member • Addiction or domestic problems

Number of children exceeds capacity to purchase gifts Other: _____

Are you willing to volunteer for the organizations that make these funds possible? Yes No
 If so, please state what hours you are available and phone number for contact

You may contact Annette Kish at the Belfast Town Hall, Robin Owens in Belfast or Jane Foster at Belfast Central School.

Senior Citizen Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 20

Please join us for a holiday lunch and entertainment.

Lunch will be served in the Belfast Central School Auditorium.

Please call **585-365-9940** to make your reservation.

Summer Jobs

Thinking about summer jobs? In WINTER?!

It is never too soon to think about preparing for summer jobs! Here are two ideas you can start using now to make yourself a better candidate for jobs next summer:

- Start making a list of skills that you are developing based on informal work. Do you babysit? Then make sure you are on time, reliable, trustworthy, patient, helpful, a good listener, follow instructions and have a nice appearance. Do you do yard work or shovel snow for neighbors? Then make sure you pay attention to details, do neat work, finish the job you started, show up on schedule, communicate clearly and keep an eye open for ways you can do a little extra. These are all skills that employers appreciate and will want to know that you have, so write them down now and use them when filling out applications for summer jobs later.
- Develop good school habits that can convert into good work habits. Showing up on time, paying attention to directions and completing tasks by their deadlines are things that employers will expect you to do. If you get in the habit of doing these things while in school, you will be ready to meet those same expectations at your job.

For more job-seeking advice, email Sherry at Allegany County Employment & Training: weiricsb@alleganyco.com or call 585-268-9445.



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IMPORTANT BCS TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

- Superintendent’s Office..... 365-9940
- Principal’s Office 365-8285
- Business Office 365-8289
- Guidance Office 365-8297
- Bus Garage..... 365-2609
- Nurse’s Office 365-2053
- Special Education Office..... 365-8847
- Preschool..... 365-8088
- Automated Attendant 365-2646
- Fax..... 365-2648
- Safe School Tip Line (leave a message).... 365-2053
- Website..... www.belfast.wnyric.org

Please remember our school safety tip line. This line remains at **365-2053** and may be used for anonymous calls for reporting student safety concerns.



Tax Information

Payment of taxes may be made during the month of September with no penalty or in October with a 2% penalty. *No taxes will be collected in November at the school, by mail or at Allegany County Treasurer.*

In order to better protect our children, Belfast Central School is asking **PARENTS** to take a very important step in helping us to keep your child safe. Please call the school if your child is at home sick or absent from school for any reason. Our policy is to account for the attendance and absence of every child. We want to make sure that every child who leaves home for school arrives here safely, therefore **PLEASE** call **365-2053** if your child will be absent. Thank you again for helping us to keep your children safe.



Board of Education Meetings
Belfast Central School Board of Education Meetings
2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM
Conference Room located near gymnasium



PTO Meetings are held at 5:30PM in the conference room of the Belfast Central School. Enter through the Main Door (South Street)

– PTO Meeting Schedule –

- November 5
- December 10
- January 7
- February 11
- March 11
- April 8
- May 13
- June 10