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OPEN HOUSE

March 14 - 6:00 PM

Events planned include:

- Sophomore sponsored Beef on Weck or Pulled Pork dinner \$10
- Puppet show
- Ping-pong and Badminton in the gym
- Planet commercials
- Book swap
- Book crate decorating
- Mole contest
- Art show
- Rainforest display
- Aquaponics tour
- Water/friction experiment demonstration

The Play "Virgil and the City Slickers"

The Sludges are simple country people who enjoy the rural trappings of gardens and green space. Enter Jennifer and Trish, two highbrow city slickers whose car broke down and desperately need a telephone (since their cell phones won't receive a signal "in the boonies"). The city girls who prefer trendy shopping districts and running water, walk into the middle of several family predicaments including a lovers' spat, a bad hair day, a miracle tomato-growing tonic, a cow-impersonating husband and an oversized baby who disappears.

As the girls hang around waiting for a ride, the country bumpkins warm up to the "city folks" who try to help the "backward" family with their problems. But that's easier said than done. And when Jennifer's fiancé finally shows up to take her home, things go from bad to worse and both country and city folk, as well as the audience, learn some valuable lessons by the time the final curtain falls. Puns, one-liners, groaners and silly situations make this farce fun to play and even more fun to watch.



SWIM & GYM AT HOUGHTON COLLEGE

Friday, March 15th, 6 - 8pm
Houghton College Nielson Center

\$2 per student

No charge for adult chaperones
Students **MUST** be accompanied by an adult

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Activities

Basketball, Rock Climbing, Soccer, Swimming, Track

Concessions will be available (while supplies last)

Pizza, Drinks, Chips, Candy



**Early Dismissal
March 14**

**No School
March 15**

From the Desk of Dr. Butler, Superintendent



BCS is continuously looking for ways to increase curricular and extracurricular opportunities for our students and community.

This year, technology has had a major influence in academic changes in our school. The District secured Smart Schools funding to implement a 1:1 iPad initiative, acquired equipment that will allow teachers

to instruct through distance learning in their own classes, which frees up computer lab time, and increases the number of classrooms using virtual field trips. Additionally, all students and staff members are using Microsoft One Drive to increase access and communication through technology.

In the extra-curricular realm, BCS added three Lego Robotic teams, a ski club, an elementary musical, a Masterminds team, Judo classes, a Scholastic Challenge team, and is awaiting Vex Robotic equipment that will allow our students to participate in Vex competitions. For the 2019-20 school year, the District is looking to add an archery program and junior Masterminds and Scholastic Challenge teams.

As we work to embody a community school atmosphere, BCS would love to work with community members who have talents or interests that they would like to share with our students. If you have the time and ability to work with students, BCS would love to collaborate with you to create additional opportunities for our students. Please contact Dr. Butler at wbutler@belfastcsd.org with your ideas.

Dr. Wendy Butler, Superintendent



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.

The Comfort Closet

Sarah Beck, Social Worker at Belfast Central School, has organized a large assortment of clothing, sneakers, coats, boots and winter accessories for children and teens. The sizes range from 2T to XL.

The clothing closet is available for all students at any time during the school day. Students can discreetly contact Ms. Beck, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. McGarvey or Ms. Foster to help them gain access to the closet.

In addition, there is a large assortment of hygiene supplies including deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, hairbrushes and other items.

All items are free. Hygiene supplies are recently purchased by generous donors. Clothing is gently used and clean.

We are currently not accepting clothing donations, but always appreciate the donation of new hygiene supplies. Please call Ms. Beck or Ms. Foster with questions about hygiene supply donations.

EASTER EGG HUNT!

Saturday, April 13 @ 11AM
Belfast Central School Auditorium

- Easter Egg Hunt (Ages 1-8)
- Scavenger Hunt (Ages 9-11)

FREE LUNCH!
(Hot Dogs, Chips, Soda & Dessert)

COME SEE THE EASTER BUNNY AND DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR EASTER BASKET!

Sponsored by the Belfast Lions Club & the Belfast PTO

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.

Children in the Belfast Central School District who reach the age of four (4) on or before December 1, 2019 are eligible to apply for consideration for the class in September 2019. If you would like your child to be considered for the class in September of 2019, please fill out and return this form to Belfast Preschool, 1 King St., Belfast, NY 14711 by April 12, 2019. A BCS Preschool Registration Packet will then be mailed to you. All completed packets are due by May 23, 2019. If you have any questions, please call the preschool at 365-8088.



2019-2020 Preschool Registration

CHILD'S NAME _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Children of the Belfast School District who reach the age of five (5) on or before December 1, 2019, are eligible to enter the Kindergarten class in September 2019. **If your child is not enrolled** in the Belfast Preschool and will turn five on or before December 1, 2019 please return the following information to the Superintendent's Office at Belfast Central School prior to April 12, 2019. Thank you for your cooperation.



2019-20 Kindergarten Registration

CHILD'S NAME _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

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



In January and February students have had an opportunity to participate in a BINGO game in order to encourage them to perform random acts of kindness for their classmates, family members, neighbors, and the faculty and staff of BCS. Students could earn a BINGO vertically,

horizontally, or diagonally. The goal of this was to encourage students to think about their actions in the hope that they would begin to do some random acts of kindness every day. Please ask your child if they've completed any random acts of kindness or help them brainstorm some ways that they could perform an unsuspecting act of kindness to help brighten someone's day!

B	I	N	G	O
TEACH SOMEONE SOMETHING NEW	HELP YOUR PARENTS OR GRANDPARENTS	ENGAGE IN A PHYSICAL ACTIVITY WITH A FRIEND	HELP A NEIGHBOR	HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH SOMEONE YOU DON'T USUALLY TALK WITH
WRITE A NOTE OF APPRECIATION TO AN ADULT OR A PEER	PARTICIPATE IN AN AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITY	VOLUNTEER	TELL A JOKE	WRITE A POSITIVE NOTE TO A STUDENT
HELP SOMEONE WHO IS HAVING A PROBLEM	WRITE A POSITIVE NOTE TO A STAFF MEMBER	PERFORM A RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS	TRY SOMETHING NEW	SAID GOOD MORNING, GOOD AFTERNOON, OR THANK YOU TO SOMEONE
READ AN ARTICLE OR BOOK ON SOMETHING NEW	TAKE TIME TO LISTEN TO A FRIEND	GIVE A COMPLIMENT	SMILE	EAT LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENT GROUP OF PEOPLE
HELP CLEAN UP A MESS THAT YOU DIDN'T MAKE	HELP SOMEONE WITH TECHNOLOGY	HOLD THE DOOR OPEN FOR SOMEONE	GREET ALL OF YOUR TEACHERS TODAY	TELL SOMEONE 3 THINGS YOU APPRECIATE ABOUT THEM

If you would like to encourage kindness through literature, check out some of these books:

- How Kind! By Mary Murphy
- The Nice Book by David Ezra Stein
- A Sick Day for Amos McGee by Philip C. Stead
- K is for Kindness by Jodie Shepherd
- Horton Hears a Who by Dr. Seuss
- The Invisible Boy by Trudy Ludwig
- Kindness is Cooler, Mrs. Ruler by Margery Cuyler
- I Walk with Vanessa: A Story About a Simple Act of Kindness
- Those Shoes by Maribeth Boelts
- Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell
- Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed by Emily Pearson
- What Does It Mean To Be Kind? By Rana DiOrio
- The Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Pena
- Have You Filled a Bucket Today? A Guide to Daily Happiness for Kids by Carol McCloud
- The Monster Who Lost His Mean by Tiffany Strelitz Haber
- Everybody's Welcome by Patricia Hegarty
- Good People Everywhere by Lynea Gillen
- Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners by Laurie Keller
- You Go First by Mercer Mayer

GREAT December Attendance



Mrs. HAMER's class is this month's winner! You had **GREAT JANUARY ATTENDANCE** for K-4! With ONLY -1- unexcused absence! Ice cream coupons are complements of Principal Hess.



Spelling Bee

On Friday, January 25 students in first through eighth grade competed in our school spelling bees. All 41 students who participated did an excellent job! Jackson Barney came out on top of the 1st and 2nd grade bee after correctly spelling otters in the fifteenth round. Madison Yack-eren was the winner of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade spelling bee after eleven rounds. She correctly spelled the word stylish to earn the win. Our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade school champion is Jenna Hill. In round 22, she correctly spelled ruefully to take the school title. Congratulations to all of our spellers!



Nurse's Corner

Happy March!

With spring sports starting up this month, I want to just touch base about sport injuries and some tips to help prevent them. And if your child does get injured what to do.

More American children are competing in sports than ever before. Sports help children and adolescents keep their bodies fit and feel good about themselves. However, there are some important injury prevention tips that can help parents promote a safe, optimal sports experience for their child.

Injury Risks

All sports have a risk of injury. Fortunately, for the vast majority of youth, the benefits of sports participation outweigh the risks. In general, the more contact in a sport, the greater the risk of a traumatic injury. However, most injuries in young athletes are due to overuse.

The most frequent types of sports injuries are sprains (injuries to ligaments) strains (injuries to muscles), and stress fractures (injuries to bones). Injury occurs when excessive stress is placed on tendons, joints, bones and muscle. In a growing child, point tenderness over a bone should be evaluated further by a medical provider even if there is minimal swelling or limitation in motion. Contact your pediatrician if you have additional questions or concerns.

To reduce the risk of injury:

- Take time off. Plan to have at least 1 day off per week and at least one month off per year from training for a particular sport to allow the body to recover.
- Wear the right gear. Players should wear appropriate and properly fit protective equipment such as pads (neck, shoulder, elbow, chest, knee, shin), helmets, mouthpieces, face guards, protective cups, and eyewear. Young athletes should not assume



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that protective gear will prevent all injuries while performing more dangerous or risky activities.

- Strengthen muscles. Conditioning exercises during practice strengthens muscles used in play.
- Increase flexibility. Stretching exercises after games or practice can increase flexibility. Stretching should also be incorporated into a daily fitness plan.
- Use the proper technique. This should be reinforced during the playing season.
- Take breaks. Rest periods during practice and games can reduce injuries and prevent heat illness.
- Play safe. Strict rules against headfirst sliding (baseball and softball), spearing (football), and checking (in hockey) should be enforced.
- Do not play through pain.
- Avoid heat illness by drinking plenty of fluids before, during and after exercise or play; decrease or stop practices or competitions during high heat/humidity periods; wear light clothing.

Sports-Related Emotional Stress

The pressure to win can cause significant emotional stress for a child. Sadly, many coaches and parents consider winning the most important aspect of sports. Young athletes should be judged on effort, sportsmanship and hard work. They should be rewarded for trying hard and for improving their skills rather than punished or criticized for losing a game or competition. The main goal should be to have fun and learn lifelong physical activity skills.

If there are any questions or concerns I am always available to help and answer any questions. The school insurance helps cover things your insurance does not cover, but it must go through your personal insurance first. And there needs to be an accident report as well and rules to abide by in order for that insurance to help. That is why it is important to notify the coach anytime your child is hurt, so we can have paper work done the same day or the next day as to the details of the accident.

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100th Day of School

February 15th was our 100th day of school. K-2 classes spent their morning traveling to different classrooms to celebrate this milestone. The students had fun doing art, math, literacy, and science activities related to 100.



Belfast Public Library News

March is coming in like a lion! You should too! Come into the library and sink your teeth into a good book. We also have plenty of crafts and activities to keep you entertained. There is always something for everyone!

For the months of March and April, in a coordinated celebration with other STLS Libraries, our Library will be featuring women writers, editors, subjects, and artists of many genres from our collections. We will be doing a series of 2 week exhibits from our various fiction and non-fiction categories. Where appropriate, we will feature local women. This is a SWAN (Support Women Artists Now) exhibit. Stop in and try something different during March and April

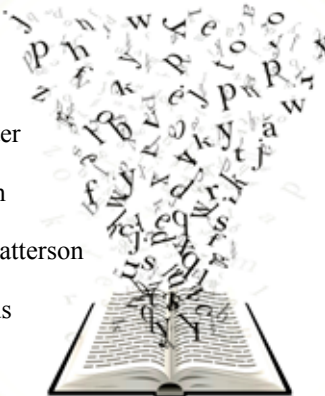
Story time on Wednesdays from 11-12, for kids under 5, is a great opportunity for opening your child up to a more diverse selection of authors, cultural backgrounds and narrative styles. Story time benefits parents as well. It is a quick, family friendly activity, and it's **FREE**, (so is the coffee and tea). It's a great way to meet other parents and to get your kids socializing.

Did you know that you can use your library card to borrow eBooks and audio books as well as magazines and music? Stop in during regular library hours and ask a staff member to get you started.

Look for these new items this month...

Adult fiction:

- Wolf Pack by C.J. Box
- Run Away by Harlen Coben
- The Last Second by Catherine Coulter
- Blood Oath by Linda Fairstein
- A Lethal Legacy by Heather Graham
- Deep Harbor by Fern Michaels
- The Cornwalls are Gone by James Patterson
- The First Lady by James Patterson
- The Fifth Doctrine by Karen Robards
- Silent Night by Danielle Steel
- Wild Card by Stuart Woods



Adult non-fiction:

- The Big Book of Kombucha ([Watch our facebook page for our very own kombucha making class!](#))
- Enough as She is: How to Help Girls Move Beyond Impossible Standards of Success to Live Healthy, Happy and Fulfilling Lives by Rachel Simmons
- Green Clean: Natural Cleaning Solutions for Every Room in your Home by Jill Potvin Schoff

DVDs:

- Bohemian Rhapsody
- Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald
- Green Book
- Instant Family
- Mortal Engines

Featured Juvenile Book of the Month

Stuck indoors? Step outside of America with Veera Hiranandani's Newbery Honor-winning novel, **The Night Diary**.

It's 1947, and India, newly independent of British rule, has been separated into two countries: Pakistan and India. The divide has created much tension between Hindus and Muslims, and hundreds of thousands are killed crossing borders. Half-Muslim, half-Hindu twelve-year-old Nisha doesn't know where she belongs, or what her country is anymore. When Papa decides it's too dangerous to stay in what is now Pakistan, Nisha and her family become refugees and embark first by train but later on foot to reach her new home. The journey is long, difficult, and dangerous, and after losing her mother as a baby, Nisha can't imagine losing her homeland, too. But even if her country has been ripped apart, Nisha still believes in the possibility of putting herself back together.



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

Swing into Spring Craft Show & Chicken BBQ

**Belfast Central School
Saturday, March 2, 2019**

Craft Show	Chicken BBQ
10am - 3pm	12:30pm - 2:30pm
\$10 each (PRESALE ONLY!)	

For chicken BBQ tickets contact:

Shelly Calanni @ BCS
Ashley Yackerren @ 585-365-6035
Mary Guilford at Guilford's Corner Store

Sponsored by the Belfast PTO

The PTO is looking for volunteers for this event!

Summer Jobs for Youth

Allegany County Employment & Training is now preparing for this year's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Applications will be available through the Guidance Office and online this year. If you are interested in receiving an application, or want to learn more about SYEP, email Sherry Weirich, the Program Coordinator, at weiricsb@alleganyco.com.

News from Kids Club

Kid's club will be focusing on the **weather** in March: rainbows, clouds and wind. We will also be doing St. Patrick's Day crafts and foods. A field trip is planned to Pro Bricks in Cuba, and a family fun night is planned featuring "Minute to win it" games.



Checkers the Inventor

Checkers the Inventor and his invention, Snoozers, visited our PK-4 students on February 1, 2019. Checkers took the students on a fun adventure that included solving puzzles, magic, comedy, and ended the show by climbing into a giant balloon! Students were engaged as Checkers talked about being healthy, using manners, and making good choices. For more information, go to <http://www.checkerstheinventor.com/>.



Big-Little Bulldog News

The Student Mentoring Program continues to be a success. There are currently 21 pairs. Students from all grade levels are benefiting from this program. Elementary and middle school students look forward to the time spent with an older role model. High school students are enjoying the relationships being built with a younger student. This program has continued to grow throughout the school year, making an impact on the lives of children at Belfast Central School. Over February break, all Big-Little Bulldogs will gather to enjoy the movie Coco. If you know of someone that is interested in participating as a "Big" or a "Little," please see Mrs. Nelson for more information.

Belfast Youth League - Sign Up Sheet 2019

- Please fill out one form per child
- Make checks payable to: **Belfast Youth League**
- Price: \$25.00 per child or \$60.00 maximum per family
- Questions contact: Adrienne Hill (716) 307-3013

Please complete forms during a sign up date below or return to your child's teacher with attn: Mrs. Borden. Forms and money must be received together by March 29th to receive a uniform. If received after this date there is no guarantee your child/children will get a uniform.

Sign up date as follows: March 14th @ BCS Open House

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Please Select One:

_____ Wee Ball
(Ages 4-5)

_____ T-Ball
(Ages 5-7)

_____ Farm League
(Ages 7-9)

Shirt Size (circle one):

YXS 2-4

YS 6-8

YM 10-12

YLG 14-16

YXLG 18-20

Adult S

Adult M

Contact Information:

Contact # 1 Relationship to Child Phone Number

Contact # 2 Relationship to Child Phone Number

Allergies or other Medical Concerns:

By signing below, I give my child permission to participate in the practices and games offered by the Belfast Youth League. By giving permission, I hereby waive the Belfast Youth League, the Town of Belfast, and/or any other league my child may play with/against of any liability if my child becomes hurt/injured at a game or practice or while traveling to/from a game/practice.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Awards



Growth Mindset: Carley Manning, Adam Oskar, Caleb Stork, James Adams, Summer Histed, Crystal Murns, Alyssa Cole, Kristopher Cook, Sarah Hazelton, David Scott, Jenna Hitchcock, Erica Hull, Josilyn Kirch, Jackson Southwick



Math Achievement: James Hazelton, Brooke Rose, Paislee Ludden, Logan McCarthy, Shea Preston, Taryn Moore, Jackson Barney, Caylin Burrows, Ethan Chamberlain, Bradan Foster, Conan Tallman, Owen Armison, Jessie-Joe Chamberlain, McKylie Elliott, Conan Tallman



Most Improved: Edmund Horne, Ayden Howard, Evan Simzer, Savannah Miller, Violet Edwards, Sarah Hazelton, Lisa Hill, David Scott, Gabe Maillet, Grant Preston, Bayleigh Tallman, Carson Treusdell, Wyatt Weaver, Tye Willard, Madison Yackeren



Math Achievement: Gabriella Ammons, Kirk Delude, Isabelle Guilford, Sarah Hazelton, Khloe Jenkins, Madeline White, Raelynn Wilson; **RTI Math:** Onalee Aronson, Kamdon Brown, Elizabeth Brundage, Emma Calanni, Colt Cobb, Rhaegan Hoover, Alexis Preston



Literacy Achievement: Lawson Fuller, Edmund Horne, Lindsey Howard, Johnathan Scott, Tesslynn Weaver, Jackson Barney, Lydia McDonald, Conan Tallman, Violet Edwards, Sarah Hazelton, David Scott, Anthony Snyder, Madeline White, Landen Blocho, Carter Fenti, Alexander Griffis, Gabe Maillet, John Male, Grant Preston, Bayleigh Tallman, Carson Treusdell, Emerson Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Tye Willard, Madison Yackeren



Math Achievement: Landen Blocho, Vance Carrier, Richard Elliott, Carter Fenti, Alexander Griffis, Afton Hamer, Gabe Maillet, George Merrell, Noah Miller, Emma Moultrup, Grant Preston, Liam Sortore, Bayleigh Tallman, Carson Treusdell, Emerson Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Tye Willard, Madison Yackeren; **RTI Math:** Gabrielle Rosario

Awards



Library Achievement: Emerson Ely, Paislee Ludden, Taryn Moore, Alley Tompkins, Jackson Barney, Lydia McDonald, Sarah Hazelton, David Scott, Tye Willard, Madison Yackerren



Social Studies Achievement: Lana Blocho, Ayden Howard, Jayce Shafer, Evan Simzer, Jackson Barney, Ethan Chamberlain, Bradan Foster, Violet Edwards, Rhaegan Hoover, Aria Saccamano, David Scott



Physical Education Achievement: Emerson Ely, Alexandria Litchner, Evan Moore, Taryn Moore, Summer Histed, Conan Tallman, Rhaegan Hoover, David Scott, George Merrell, Kaylee Sortore



Music Achievement: Eden Barney, Caleb Stork, Megan Johnson, Madeline White, Noah Miller



Social Studies Achievement: Landen Blocho, Carter Fenti, Gabe Maillet, John Male, Grant Preston, Liam Sortore, Bayleigh Tallman, Emerson Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Madison Yackerren



Top Dog Award: Pierre Lussier, Bayleigh Tallman, Tye Wilard, Violet Edwards, Savannah Miller, Adam Oskar, Eden Barney, Mackenna Yackerren



Social Studies Achievement: Lana Blocho, Ayden Howard, Jayce Shafer, Evan Simzer, Jackson Barney, Ethan Chamberlain, Bradan Foster, Violet Edwards, Rhaegan Hoover, Aria Saccamano, David Scott, Landen Blocho, Carter Fenti, Gabe Maillet, John Male, Grant Preston, Liam Sortore, Bayleigh Tallman, Emerson Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Madison Yackerren

Awards



Most Improved: Donovan Fields, Ava Aronson, Thayne Cobb, Brianna Morton



Outstanding Effort: Mariah Patton, Jenna Hill, Carley Burrows, Chelsea Goldsmith



Citizenship: Leon Histed, Allyson Hazelton, Kyle McCumiskey, Justin Hill



Science Achievement: Brody Edwards, Lydia Preston, Catrina Mura, Evan Trowbridge, Gabriella Ammons, Sarah Hazelton, Khloe Jenkins, Anthony Snyder, Madeline White, Gabe Maillet, Grant Preston, Bayleigh Tallman, Carson Treusdell, Emerson Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Tye Willard, Madison Yackeren



Art Achievement: Eden Barney, Isaac Miller, Cooper Grastorf, Jonathan Scott, Alley Tompkins, Mackenna Yackeren, Delsin Bisig, Summer Histed, Emma Calanni, Kristopher Cook, Avery Enders, Carson Foster, Korryn Cline, Carter Fenti, Alexander Griffis, Madison Yackeren



Principal's Award: Carly Moultrup, Sophie Zillgitt, Cassandra Guilford, Daemon Cobb



SuperStar Awards - Reading/ELA and Social Studies: William Guilford, Natalee Lindo, Owen Heaney, Daemon Cobb, Emalee Carman, Jenna Hill, Owen Heaney, Canaan Sullivan



SuperStar Awards - Positive Sportsmanship / Gym and Art: Lucy Simzer, Hannah Southwick, Kyle McCumiskey, Monty Wilson, Carter Stout, Alexa Ely, Alexander McLaughlin, Anna Drozdowski



SuperStar Awards - Math and Science: Rhianna Hoover, Dillion Kelley, Jacob Borden, Isabelle Male, Samayah Lussier, Jenna Hill, Owen Heaney, Daemon Cobb



SuperStar Awards - Band, Spanish, Technology, Family & Consumer Science, Health: William Guilford, Sophie Zillgitt, Cassandra Guilford, Angel Jimerson, Brianna Morton, Jacob Borden, Anna Drozdowski, Kyle McCumiskey



5-8 High Honor Roll: Mariah Patton, Sadie Estabrook, Jenna Hill, Sophie Zillgitt, Jacob Borden, Carley Burrows, Owen Heaney, Abigail Sullivan, Justin Hill, Canaan Sullivan

Awards



Honor Roll: Emalee Carman, Alexa Ely, Logan Estabrook, William Guilford, Finn Heaney, Rhianna Hoover, David Hull, Tate Jenkins, Samayah Lussier, Rachel Merriam, Carly Moultrup, Heather Padden, Mariah Patton, Lucy Simzer, Callahan Tallman, Shelby Burnell, Allyson Hazelton, Dillion Kelley, Natalie Lindo, Danika Scott, Julie Sortore, Kayleigh Wojcik, Morgan Yackeren



Honor Roll: Cassandra Guilford, Mary Hamer, Audrey Hughan, Tristan Jenkins, Aaliyah Knorr, Sean Mahon, Kyle McCumiskey, Jackson Stout, Christopher Weaver, Tykota Burnell, Sondra Carrier, Zane Cartwright, Trevor Clark, Daemon Cobb, Anna Drozdowski, Chelsea Goldsmith, Isabelle Male, Brianna Morton, Carter Stout



Spelling Bee: Anthony Snyder, Raelynn Wilson, Carson Foster, Carson Treusell, Logan McCarthy, Evan Trowbridge, Hannah Hill, David Scott, Korryn Cline, Elizabeth Brundage, Mackenna Yackeren, Lydia McDonald, Ethan Chamberlain, Caylin Burrows, Taryn Moore, Addison Hull, Braden Foster, Khloe Jenkins, Carter Fenti, Bayleigh Tallman, Conan Tallman, Jackson Barney, Madison Yackeren, Anthony Snyder



Spelling Bee: Daemon Cobb, Carley Burrows, Thayne Cobb, Logan Estabrook, Sadie Estabrook, William Guilford, Allyson Hazelton, Finn Heaney, Rhianna Hoover, Angel Jimerson, Kaylee Knorr, Logan Lopez, Dennis Rehler, Danika Scott, Lucy Simzer, Jonathan Webb-Aylor, Clayton Wright



Spelling Bee Winner: The winner of the spelling bee is Jenna Hill. She will receive a one-year subscription to Encyclopedia Britannica.

Congratulations Students! - Honor Roll & High Honor Roll

HONOR ROLL

The following students earned an 85-92% average:

Gr. 5: Emalee Carman, Alexa Ely, Logan Estabrook, William Guilford, Finn Heaney, Rhianna Hoover, David Hull, Tate Jenkins, Samayah Lussier, Rachel Merriam, Carly Moultrup, Heather Padden, Mariah Patton, Lucy Simzer, Callahan Tallman

Gr. 6: Shelby Burnell, Allyson Hazelton, Dillion Kelley, Natalie Lindo, Danika Scott, Julie Sortore, Kayleigh Wojcik, Morgan Yackeren

Gr. 7: Cassandra Guilford, Mary Hamer, Audrey Hughan,

Tristan Jenkins, Aaliyah Knorr, Sean Mahon, Kyle McCumiskey, Jackson Stout, Christopher Weaver

Gr. 8: Tykota Burnell, Sondra Carrier, Zane Cartwright, Trevor Clark, Daemon Cobb, Anna Drozdowski, Chelsea Goldsmith, Isabelle Male, Brianna Morton, Carter Stout

Gr. 9: Alicia Borden, Kendra Giboo, Max Miller, Colton Morgan, Cayla Mura, Matthew Weaver

Gr. 10: Jason Drozdowski, Shannon Durrigan, Brianna Elliott, Kylie Francis, Christian Lopez, Lillian Mahon, Adison Male, Stephen Struckmann, Alexis Yackeren

Gr. 11: Caleb Caiazza, Dakota Clink, Hunter Enders, Hanah Helms, Elisa Houser, Sarah Lindo, Hailey Mitchell, Adelaide Sullivan, Ethan Treusdell

Gr. 12: James Booth, Corey Brown, Alexander Enders, Alexander Hull, Hunter Lincoln, Johnathan West

HIGH HONOR ROLL

The following students attained an average of 93% or above:

Gr. 5: Mariah Patton

Gr. 6: Sadie Estabrook, Jenna Hill, Sophie Zillgitt

Gr. 7: Jacob Borden, Carley Burrows, Owen Heaney, Abigail Sullivan

Gr. 8: Justin Hill, Canaan Sullivan

Gr. 9: Jaiden Enders

Gr. 10: Nicholas Ellison, Melvin Hamer, Aidan Heaney, Christian Lingenfelter, Kelsi Morton, Emma Sullivan, Cierra Wallace

Gr. 11: Andrew Blocho, McKayla Cross, Kennedy Male, Rachel Marsh

Gr. 12: Noah Bentley, Adam Enders, Ashley Estabrook, Mackenzie Hurd, Julia Lindo

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

A recent article from the Mayo Clinic highlighted some tips to help students cope with test anxiety.

While there was more to the article than what I am sharing with you here, the article offered six easy steps to help our children deal with test anxiety.

1. Be prepared – study in smaller increments and don't cram or wait until the last minute
2. Create a consistent routine before a test – try to have a consistent morning routine in place at home, it will help with all sorts of issues both in and out of school
3. Try relaxation techniques
4. Be familiar with the test format – your child's teacher will take care of this for you, students will not be given a test if they are not familiar with multiplication/short answer and essay style questions
5. Get plenty of rest and eat well – good sleep is important for success in school and work, and with the schools' meal program in place every student has the ability to eat breakfast before the academic day starts



If you would like to read the entire article it is available on the Mayo Clinic's web site.

BCS Open House Dinner

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Where: Café
(Dine In or Take Out)

Time: 3:15 PM – 6:00 PM

Choice of:



Pulled Pork

or



Beef on Weck

Cost: \$10 Each
(Includes 2 Sides & Dessert)

Contact Any BCS Sophomore,
Mrs. Calanni or Mrs. Lingenfelter

**Thank You for Supporting
the Class of 2021!**

Houghton Gym Day



Junior Class Basket Auction

The annual Junior Class Basket Auction will be held March 9th in the BCS auditorium. Doors will open at 12:30, and drawings will begin at 3:00. There will be snacks available for purchase. Please come out and support the Junior Class!

***If you would like to donate to this auction, please contact a student from the Junior class, or contact Mr. Hazelton or Mrs. Alessi.**

Thank You!

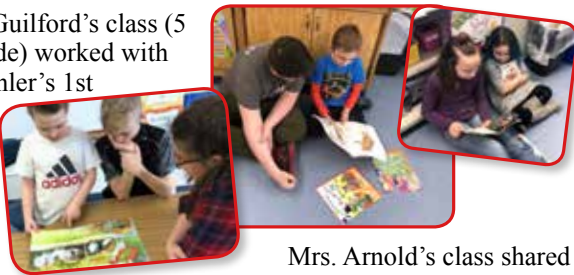
Rainforest

Mary Guilford's 5th grade reading classes worked on a rainforest project where they gathered facts about the rainforest. They used what they learned to build a digital traveler's guide using a power point.



Working Together for Learning!

Mr. Guilford's class (5 and 6 grade) worked with Mrs. Koehler's 1st grade on reading skills.



Mrs. Arnold's class shared their expertise while listening to Mrs. Koehler's first grade student writings.



The Belfast Central School Prom

For Grades 9-12
Cuba VFW
May 18, 2019

Dinner: 6-7pm
Prom: 7-11pm
Don's DJ: 7-11pm

Love in Action

The Belfast High School Student Council sponsored their annual Love in Action food and money collection. All money and food collected were donated to Wellspring Ministry.



Thank you for your continued support!

Shown in picture are Dennis Doell of Wellspring Ministry, Carter Guilford, Hunter Lincoln

Belfast Central School 2018-2019 Yearbook Orders

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
- Original cover design that reflects our school's spirit and uniqueness

Add on any of the following yearbook extras:

- Student's name imprinted in foil on the cover, plus the option to add foil icons that reflect each student's interests and hobbies

Don't wait... order your 2018 yearbook today!

\$40.00 - as of February 1, 2019

(It is past the date for imprinting orders)

Order online at:
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Nombre del estudiante Grado Fecha

Teacher Name/Homeroom _____
Nombre del maestro/a /Clase

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Order!**
**¡Gracias por su orden
del anuario!**

March 2019

2018-19 Belfast Central School District Calendar

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					1 Blood Drive All County at B-R	2 PTO Swing into Spring 10am-3pm All County at B-R Odyssey of the Mind
3	4	5	6 Judo Class Washington Trip	7 Mastermind Competition Inventor's club Washington Trip	8 Washington Trip	9 Junior Class Auction SAT Washington Trip
10 Daylight Savings Time	11 PTO Meeting 5:30pm	12 BOE Meeting 5:30pm	13 Judo Class	14 Early Dismissal @ 1pm Open House @ 6pm Sophomore Class Dinner	15 No School Superintendent's Day All County at G-V	16 All County at G-V
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Judo Class	21 Inventor's Club	22	23
24	25 Spring Picture Day Kindergarten pictures	26	27 Judo Class	28 Inventor's Club Kid's Club - Family Fun Night	29 High School Play - "Virgil and the City Slickers"	30 High School Play - "Virgil and the City Slickers"
31						

 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

APRIL 2019						
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MAY 2019						
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JUNE 2019						
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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

Fitness Center Open

The BCS fitness center will be open to the community starting January 28, 2019. Community members who are over 18 years old will be able to use the fitness center Monday - Friday from 6:00 - 7:30 AM and from 4:00 - 8:00 PM. The fitness center is located by the front parking lot by the outdoor classroom. Please enter the building through that entrance. The fitness center is located in the first classroom on the right side of the hall.

When using the fitness center, please

- wear clean, dry footwear on the equipment
- sign the visitor log
- report any issues to the District Office

Belfast Central School

Parent Teacher Organization:

Every Dollar Makes a Difference!

Contributions

2014 Organization formed in July
Assisted Student Council with manning the concession stand

2015 Hosted a community sledding party
Contributed to Belfast Boys Soccer Program
Contributed to After-Prom Party

2016 Purchased a popcorn machine
Sponsored the local Boy Scouts
Donated to a local student with a serious medical condition
Contributed to After-Prom Party
Contributed to National Honor Society Scholarship
Donated to a BCS Poetry Book
Donated to the Boys/Girls Soccer & Cheerleading programs
Provided Spirit Week items for all students
Donated to a local family that experienced a tragedy

2017 Contributed to the K-2 Dr. Seuss week festivities
Donated to a local student's Eagle Scout Project
Provided Staff Shirts for all BCS Staff
Provided Spirit Week items for all students
Donated to a local student with a serious medical condition
Donated to Cheerleading program

2018 Contributed to BCS PAWS shirts
Sent 5th & 6th grade students to Pioneer Central School to see a theatre production
Contributed to OM shirts
Donated to a former student with a serious medical condition
Contributed to LEGO League shirts

2019 Contributed to Middle School Gym Day at Houghton College

Yearly Community Easter Egg Hunt Back to School Event
Ice Cream for all students Family Gift Giving Event
Staff Appreciation Week Children's Christmas Program
Backpack Giveaway Scholarship to BCS student

Meetings

2nd Monday of the month @ 5:30pm
In the conference room near the Main Office
****Childcare is provided****

Yearly Events

March

Craft Show & Chicken BBQ

May

Memorial Day Parade Float

October

Fall Festival

December

Tree Decorating in town park

Concession Stands

April - June: Youth Baseball/Softball

July - August: Youth Summer Soccer

Officers

Maiké Zillgitt - President
Shelly Calanni - Vice President
Mary Guilford - Secretary
Ashley Yackerén - Treasurer

Contact Information

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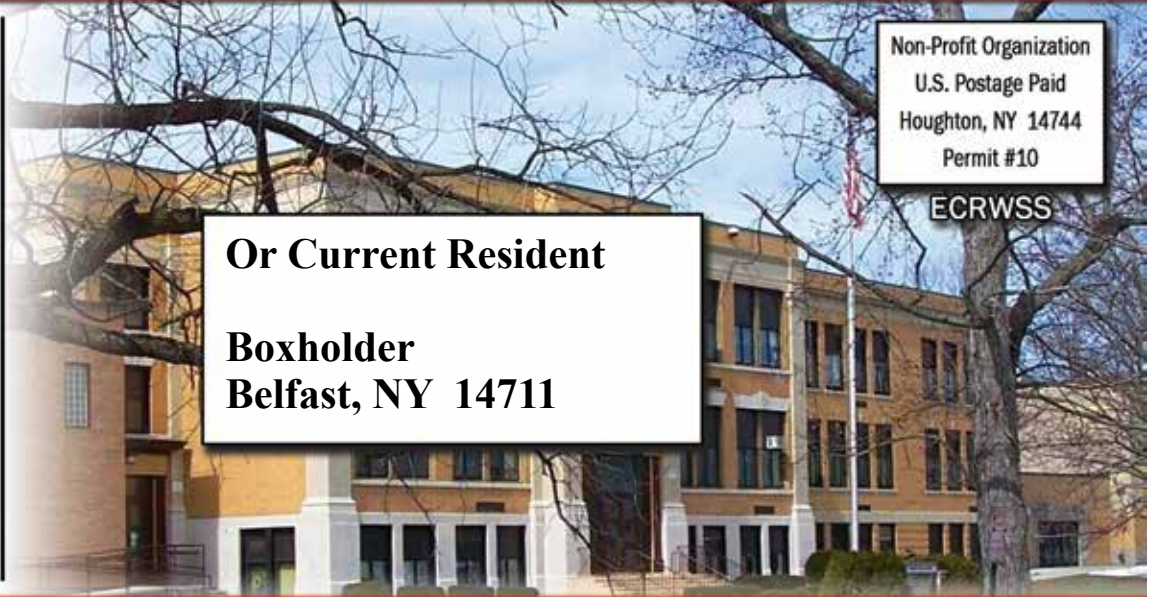


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Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Belfast Central School is to work together to provide a technological, comprehensive, challenging, equitable and quality education for all students based on the belief that all children can and will learn. The community, faculty, staff, parents and students will cooperatively foster each individual's intellectual, moral, social, civic and physical development so that Belfast Central School will continue to be looked upon as an example of excellence in rural education in New York State.

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.BelfastCSD.org

CALLING ALL SENIORS!
Scholarship Opportunity

The PTO scholarship application has been put in your senior mailbox!

Applications and all required information are due to Ms. Foster, Mrs. Calanni or the guidance office no later than May 1, 2019.



Blood Drive

Belfast Central School

Auditorium - 1 King Street, Belfast, NY 14711

Friday, March 1, 2019

1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

or visit redcrossblood.org and enter:

belfastcentralschoolbelfast to schedule an appointment.

All presenting donors will receive a unique American Red Cross sling bag backpack.

(While supplies last)

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.