



BRYN MAWR NEWS

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From the Principal



Dear Students and Families,

March 5th is World Book Day, which promotes reading and the importance of books. As your principal, I am excited to see the return of our March Madness reading promotion. This fun activity encourages students to read a bunch of books and vote for their favorites. This concentration on literature reminds me of something I read once:

"When I look back, I am so impressed again with the life-giving power of literature. If I were a young person today, trying to gain a sense of myself in the world, I would do that again by reading, just as I did when I was young." – Maya Angelou

Here at Bryn Mawr, in addition to our amazing Homeroom Teachers, we have Media Specialists, Reading Interventionists, Associate Educators and many, many

more team members working with students every day to make reading more than a chore or a duty. These dedicated mentors are inspiring students to find themselves through reading. Just as Dr. Angelou noted, there is power in literature. Reading helps us gain knowledge about ourselves, the cultures around us, and the people who have made an impact in this world.

By empowering our students to explore their world through the pages of books, we are giving them the gift of knowledge and, hopefully, sparking a life-long journey of curiosity and discovery. This is my hope for our students, their families, and our whole Bryn Mawr community.

Sincerely,
Kevin Oldenburg
Principal

Counseling Corner by Kim Cook

The Word of the Month for March is "Responsibility."

Examples of Responsibility are;

- Following directions
- Finishing your work
- Taking care of belongings and property
- Owning up to your mistakes
- Being on time and ready to learn

I will be starting classroom lessons on career exploration. 2nd grade and up will be using an online tool called Xello. Please ask your child about this throughout the month.

Feel free to contact me
with any issues or concerns.
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- 4 - 4th Grade Field Trip
- 11 - PTA and Site Council Meetings
- 26 - Bulldog of the Month
- 28 - Teacher Workday - **NO STUDENTS**
- 31 - Spring Break Begins - **NO STUDENTS**



LUNCH MENUS

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Women's History Month is when we highlight the contributions of women in history and contemporary society. The United States, the UK, and Australia, celebrate during March to correspond with International Women's Day on March 8. The first National Woman's History Day took place on February 28, 1909, in New York City commemorating the one-year anniversary of the 15,000 women who marched in the Garment Workers' Strikes.

International Women's Day was established as a holiday in 1911, then became Women's History Week in 1978 when

The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women planned and launched a "Women's History Week" celebration. The National Women's History Project petitioned Congress which passed Pub. L. 100-9 in 1987 designating the month of March as Women's History Month.



[50 Eye-Opening Women's History Month Facts](#)



NEW STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Regina Jackson spent time at Bryn Mawr as a sub last year and returned to us this year as our Family Liaison. Regina loves to plant perennials in her garden and watch her daughter play soccer

Welcome back, Regina!

LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

2025 BRYN MAWR MARCH MADNESS TOURNAMENT OF BOOKS

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READ AND VOTE!

Modeled after college basketball's March Madness, this is a single-elimination tournament.

Books go head to head, with students voting for their choice.

Winners advance until there is a champion.



* Daily attendance is critical to academic achievement and it's important that every student attends school and class on time every day. In other words:

BE COOL: BE AT SCHOOL

