President's Report - March 18, 2026

Hello and good evening Rye Neck.

Sometimes the world around us feels tense, chaotic and stressful. Sometimes, despite best efforts it feels like we can't find common ground. And sometimes we simply just want to feel heard and supported.

In times like these our community matters more than ever. Our schools matter more than ever. And ofc kindness matters more than ever.

While the outside world may sometimes feel messy, the world inside Rye Neck feels mostly peaceful and less confusing. Inside the walls of Rye Neck there are so many things to celebrate and so many opportunities to collaborate and work together.

In the past few weeks alone,

- Excited 5th graders took their maiden voyage to the middle school to get a sense of what 6th grade might look and feel like
- The 4th grade class had so much fun taking us to Broadway
- The official book for One Book One Bellows was announced with a dancing dragon and a panther on drums
- Sophomore students took an emotional and important journey to visit the Anne Frank Museum in NYC
- Students worked together on science projects galore
- Student athletes took to the fields to kick off what hopes to be a fun and rewarding spring season
- And ofc the High School Musical, Prom - talk about collaboration, working together and supporting one another - the cast and crew were absolutely amazing

In related warm and fuzzy news, we would like to remind the community that in addition to tonight's budget presentation, there will be public budget hearings in April and May in the lead up to the Budget and Trustee Vote on Tuesday, May 19th. We encourage the community to attend these hearings and learn more about Rye Neck's proposed 2026-2027 budget.

In closing, I know we can't live in a bubble, as much as we may sometimes like to, but I want to share the gratitude that we as a board feel toward our very special Rye Neck community. Let's commit to continuing to show up for each other, lead by example and commit to kindness.