

THE BRONX CHARTER SCHOOLS FOR BETTER LEARNING

THE LEARNER WITHIN

newsletter

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH SHOWCASE

Every February our scholars conduct research, collaborate with peers, and celebrate Black History. This year, students participated in Black History Month Shows, sharing their knowledge, their singing and dancing abilities, poems, skits, and fun facts. What a wonderful way to celebrate 100 years of Black History week.



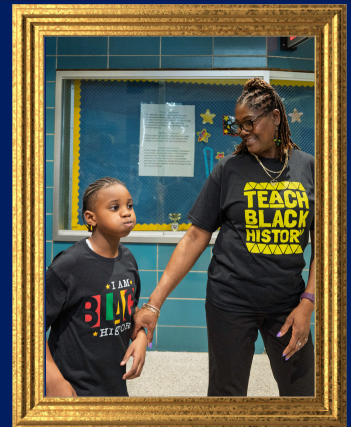
Black History



In celebration of those who came before us...



BLACK HISTORY MONTH SHOWCASE



...and our place in Black History.

Hello, 1st graders!

This month we visited our friends in 1st grade as they continued to study and explore words in color. Some scholars showed off their skills with the Words In Color charts, tapping out words by themselves.

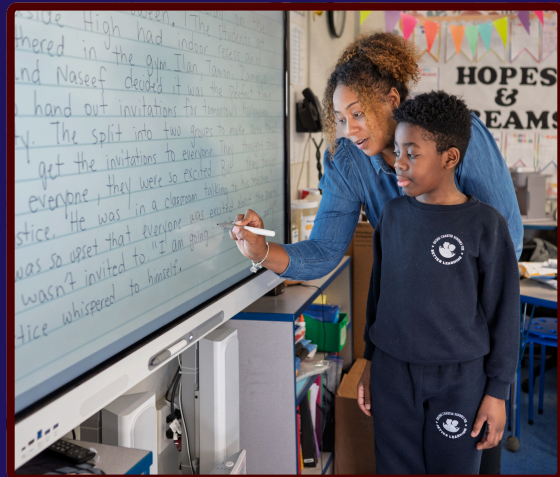
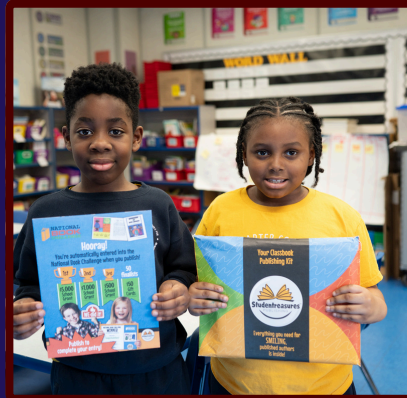
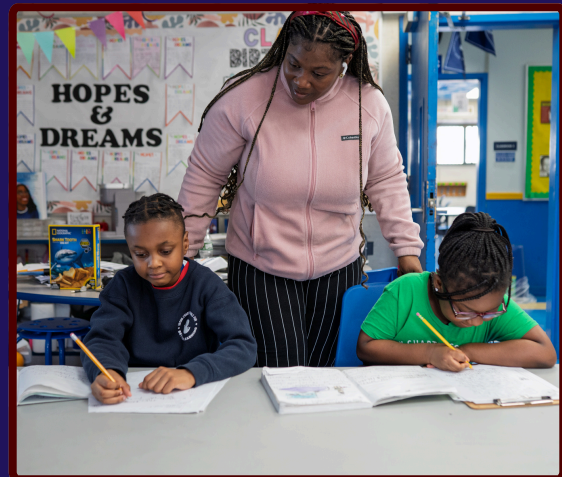


Our Pedagogy in Action

Our 1st graders are working hard to use tools, such as Cuisinaire rods, to assist them with their work! Our scholars work together to tackle challenges, share ideas, and explain their thinking.



Enrichment Spotlight: Writer's Corner



2nd and 3rd graders, led by Ms. Nugent and Ms. Campbell-Brown, have begun the process of creating their own books! Some students decided to collaborate, writing a story together and their own illustrations. Others have crafted individual fiction stories in various topics - sports, realistic fiction, and mystery. All stories will be published and the school will receive a physical copy. Congratulations, writers!

Student Council Pinning Ceremony

Sisters Joanna and Janie were both inducted as Student Council representatives.



Guest speaker, Mr. Sherman Browne



Student Council members recited their pledge to devote their service to the school, being leaders for their peers, and advocating for the study body.

3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at BBL1 were officially inducted into our Student Council on Friday, March 13th. Our student leaders spoke of their commitment to our school and their dedication to representing the student body. Following the ceremony, student council members celebrated with their families with snacks and refreshments. A big thank you to Ms. Robles and Ms. Campbell-Brown for their support of our Student Council.



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MS. PHILLIPS

Yvette has been a dedicated member of our BBL family for many years. She began her work with us in the younger grades, building strong foundations rooted in care, patience, and high expectations for children. Over time, she has generously shared her talents across the upper grades, contributing meaningfully to both the Math and ELA departments, and extending her impact through our enrichment programming, where students have benefited from her creativity, consistency, and love for learning.



BRIANNA G.

Brianna was inducted into student council during the 2024 - 2025 school year. This year she participated in the election process for student council leadership, and by an overwhelming margin, won the title of Student Council President. Brianna is responsible, courteous, and hardworking, earning a spot on the Honor Roll in the last three marking periods.

Well done, Brianna!



THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

There is no need too big, or a problem too small for our Guidance department. Throughout the last 3 months our Guidance team has held several parent training sessions, aiding our parents in developing awarenesses about their own needs and how to best support their children.





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ADMIN SPOTLIGHT



Thank you, Ms. Sheehy, for sharing the luck of the Irish and a treat with us in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.



COIN WARS



UPDATE

OUR COIN WAR CHALLENGE ENDS APRIL 30TH. REMEMBER TO BRING IN YOUR CHANGE TO HELP YOUR CLASS. THE WINNING CLASS EARNS A PIZZA PARTY!



REMINDERS

State tests are quickly approaching. Please note the following dates:

- April 21 & 22: Math State Test
- May 5 & 6: ELA State Test
- May 12: Science State Test (5th Grade)



SAVE THE DATE

4/1/26 COFFEE & CONVERSATION

AT 8:30AM

ZOOM ID: 874 9860 7304

4/2/26 - 4/10/26 SPRING BREAK

4/14/26 PTA MEETING

AT 6:30PM

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