Bryant News March 15, 2016

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Calendar

Tue March 15, 2016

- Orchestra Lessons
- ❖ 5:30pm BFO Exec Board
- ❖ 6pm BFO General Mtg.
- 6pm Bryant Skate Party

Wed March 16, 2016

❖ 6pm Girl Scouts - Gr. 5

Thu March 17, 2016

- ❖ 7:30am Bryant Choir
- ❖ Band Lessons & Ensemble
- ❖ 6pm Girl Scouts T. 7345

Fri March 18, 2016

- School Spirit Day! Wear Bryant apparel or our school colors; blue and yellow.
- Band Lessons
- Progress Reports go home.

Mon March 21, 2016

- ❖ 3:05pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- ❖ 6pm Girl Scouts Kdgn.

Tue March 22, 2016

- Band Festival/Hempstead
- Orchestra Lessons

Thu March 24, 2016

No School for Students.
Teacher Prof. Learning Day

Fri March 25, 2016

❖ No School!

Mon March 28, 2016

❖ No School!

Tue March 29, 2016

- ❖ Welcome Back!
- Orchestra Lessons

Thu March 31, 2016

- 7:30am Choir
- Band Lessons & Ensemble
- 1:40 & 6:30pm Spring
 Program; gr. 1, 3, 5 and Choir

Dear Parents and Guardians,

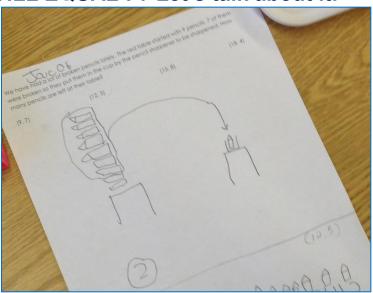
Thank you for your participation in Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences! 99% of families were involved. Your strong commitment to partner with us in your children's education benefits students and is much appreciated.

~Vicki Sullivan, Principal

DOES 4 + 3 STILL EQUAL 7? Let's talk about it!

The next BFO meeting will be tonight at 6pm in the library. Our spotlight on education series will feature Mrs. Hamilton, District Coordinator for PreK – Gr. 12 Math.

All parents and guardians are warmly invited to attend. You will learn more about how the ways your child is learning math are both similar to and different from your own experiences.



SKATE PARTY - Tonight

Let's stomp out the snow and skate into spring! 6-8 p.m. Skate Country, 5630 Saratoga Road

Admission is \$4.50 and skate rental is \$1.50 for quads and \$2.50 for inlines. If school is let out early or cancelled due to bad weather, the skate party is cancelled. Any questions, please call Jackie Ansel 563-599-4347.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress reports will come home Friday, March 18. Consider this document as another point in an on-going conversation among you, your child, and the teacher. The letter grades we use; E, M, N or B indicate your child's performance relative to a grade level standard. That helps you know where your student is at compared to the standard. Those letters may not be so helpful in terms of you and your child gaining a sense of how the learner has grown. The comments on the progress reports help address that, to a degree. Other ways to measure a learner's growth include the conversation from PTS Conferences, student work, feedback from the teacher and self-reflection by the student.

MUSICAL NOTES BY KARMELLA SELLERS

The spring program date is Thursday, March 31. This program involves all students in first grade, third grade, fifth grade and the Bulldogs Choir. The alternate date, in case of - perish the thought - snow, is April 5th. The afternoon performance will begin at 1:40 and the evening performance will begin at 6:30. Please make sure to change your calendar. You won't want to miss it!

GRATITUDE

 Thank you to these parents for chaperoning first and second grade students at the Junie B performance at the Heritage Center: Mrs. Moeller, Mrs. Mathew, Mrs. Lohrman, Ms. Loeffelholz, Dr. Neal, Mrs. Zick, Mrs. Christensen, Mrs. Daley, and Mr. Boettner! Bryant News March 15, 2016

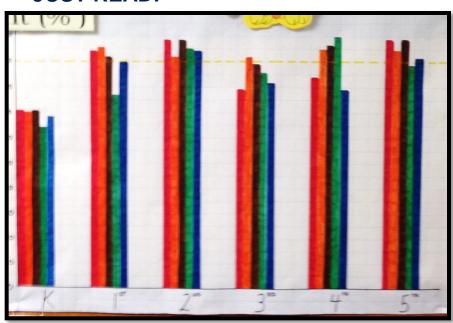
- Thank you to Mrs. Ellis and her team of volunteers for providing meals for teachers during conferences!
- Thank you to the BFO Executive group for hosting a spotlight on education series on education this year during their monthly general meetings.
- Thank you to Mrs. Sellers and the Bryant Bulldog Choir! They sang beautifully at last Tuesday's district choral festival at Hempstead High School. Mrs. Sellers is also co-director of the district elementary honor choir. This group performed too; they sounded amazing.

Children who regularly practice reading become stronger readers.

Congratulations to students who met or exceeded their February (blue bars on the graph at right) at-home reading minutes!

Parents, thank you for supporting your children.

JUST READ!



VISUAL ARTS

The Dubuque Museum of art is hosting an elementary and middle school art exhibit that will run thru April 1. Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Weekend hours are Saturday and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Museum is closed on Mondays. The Dubuque Museum of Art is located at 701 Locust St, Dubuque and their telephone number is (563) 557-1851. Fees regarding entrance will be waived for families of students exhibiting in the school show, but donations are always accepted and appreciated. Please let the volunteer at the front desk of the museum know that you are there to view student work.

ELEMENTARY OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2016-2017

Our objective as a district is to be as accommodating as possible, however, because of class size limitations, applications must be juried on criteria such as medical or legal reasons, documented change of address, sibling or parent in the same building, etc.

- Review the In-District Open Enrollment Policy (#6218) prior to completing an application.
- Elementary application are available beginning March 15, 2016. Deadline for submission is May 2, 2015. Note the deadline for submission of applications to the superintendent's office.
- To be sure that your application is processed, do not submit applications to a school. Instead, mail or deliver directly to the District Office (The Forum) at 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa 52001.