



Brookside
Elementary
School
2019

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We celebrate teaching and learning every day at Brookside!

May is a special month we take time to appreciate all the time and effort our staff put into providing rich learning experiences for each and every child with an Appreciation week; May 6-10. Have you thanked a Brookside staff member today?

Your Partner in Education,

Erin P. Eckert

Proud Brookside Principal

State Testing In Grades 3-5

NYS Assessment Reminder:

May 1 & 2: Mathematics

May 29 and June 3: 4th Grade Science test

Calendar Updates:

May 22-27 School Closed

- Barring an unforeseen weather event or other emergency, May 22 there will be no school.
- June 10 is an early release day with 12:30 p.m. dismissal for secondary and 1:30 p.m. for elementary.
- June 19, 20, 21 and 24 are half days with dismissal at 11 a.m. for the middle school and noon for elementary.
- The last day of school for students is June 24

DATES TO REMEMBER

PTA Meetings First Tuesday of the Month @3:20

May 1-2 NYS Mathematics Assessments

May 2 Pre-K/BK/Kindergarten Orientation

6:00pm @ RTS Middle School Café

May 6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week

May 8 School Nurse Appreciation Day

May 13 Transportation Appreciation &

Learn to Swim for 4th and 5th grade

May 15 4th/5th grade Rumble ponies game

May 20 5th Grade Student Orientation at

RTS Middle School (daytime) and 5th

Grade Parent orientation 6:00pm at RTS

May 21 Annual Budget Vote @ High

School Gym 12 to 9 pm.

May 21 Sabers Community Night and

District Art Show 4:00-6:00pm. *See flyer

May 22-27 **SCHOOL CLOSED**

May 29 and June 3 NYS Science

Assesment 4th Grade

CHARACTER EDUCATION

ACTION OF THE MONTH:



The ability to understand and share the feelings of another. Empathy is seeing with the eyes of another, listening with the ears of another, and feeling with the heart of another. ~Alfred Adl



Chorus News:

June 4th Spring Concert

9:30 am School Assembly and 6:00pm Evening Concert.

Reminder that your child will need to wear the following for these performances: Nice black pants, black dress shoes and a nice white long or short sleeve blouse or shirt.

The Brookside Chorus will be performing along with the Advanced Band and Advanced Orchestra. Students should wear their nice white tops along with black dress pants or leggings or black skirts with black leggings underneath. Also, students should wear black dress shoes or nice black sandals. If students have a special part in the chorus production, they may be asked to wear something else. A note will have gone home concerning this. Please make sure to mark this event on your calendar and we will be seeing you at this very special event!



Dress Code

We are starting to experience some warmer days. Just a reminder as per our dress code policy:

- 1. Extremely brief garments, such as but not limited to; tube tops, net tops, plunging necklines (front and back), and see through garments are not appropriate.**
- 2. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed. Flip flops are a safety hazard.**



Cell Phones

The use of cell phones during the instructional day or on the school bus is not permitted. Cell phones will remain off and in backpacks at all times

SPRING ART SHOW



Sabers Community Night

New this year... A district-wide Art Show on Tuesday May 21 at the High School.

This initiative seeks to bring together the whole community in an evening to celebrate our children's artistic accomplishments. Every child in the district will have at least one piece displayed; if space permits an additional piece may also be displayed. Each piece will be labeled with the child's name, grade, school and art teacher, so families can easily find their child's work.

Students will not be taking their artwork down during the evening art show. All artwork will be returned to families at a later date. Although students will be working on clay projects, each student will bring them home when they are finished. There will not be any 3-D sculptural work on display this year.

Thank you for your support of this new initiative for our art program!

This year, the District is excited to host a Community Night on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 from 4:00-6:00 pm on the High School campus. All families are invited to participate in Community Night, which will include the following activities and events:

- **Face Painting**
- **Open Swim**
- **Games**
- **Crafts**
- **Free ice cream**
- **And more to come...**

As a part of this night, the District will consolidate its building-level art shows into a District-wide Art Show. Art works from all students in grades PK-12 will be displayed in our hallways and gymnasium for all members of our community to enjoy. All art will remain in the buildings for the entirety of the night. Work will be returned to children at a later date.

***Please see attached flyer for more information on this fun family event!**

Science Fair



This year's annual Brookside Science Fair took place March 28. The students worked hard to research and prepare findings and experiments to present to our judges. This year's Brookside Science Fair participants were:

PreK: Scarlett Manderville, Ethan Weaver

Kindergarten: Mia Lawrence, Maverick Manning, Lillian Blain, William Newby, Katherine Newby, Ethan Butenko, Blaire MacNamee, Andrew Paulo and Samantha Luce

First Grade: Rylie Smith, Jonathan Bronikowski, Raylind Barnes, Alexa Timm, Ava Wilcox, Layla Sabin, Norah Hughes, Julian Lawrence, Joe Edwards and Clive Herrick

Second Grade: Madison Strong, Ava Karium, Elizabeth Newby, Riley Olds, Keaton Weed, Cooper Spencer, Isaac Webb, Olivia Allen, Sophie-Claire Zaychik, Natalie Kavulich, Sophia Luce, Elias Clarke, Aubrey Eggleston, Bella Fabrizio, Jocelyn Brusso, Harlynn Childress, Lilly Gaskins, Meryem Kadri, Kailyn Hanna, Van MacNamee, Olivia Kutalek, Cooper Wilson, and Paige Nabywaniec-Reid



Third Grade: Abby Leudemann, Vivian Ditch, Sophia Sousouris, Brady Sabin, Audrey Packer, Ailey Rexford, Christopher Streno, Nolan Weed, Ella Lawrence, Olivia Hughes, Wyatt Olsen, Mark Jones, Jake Kilmer, Lucas Stocks, Baylee Manning, Cameron Wilson, Jacob Short, Olivia Lewis



Science Fair Continued...

Fourth Grade: Paige Kilmer, Genevieve Brown, Arianna Yoder, Megan Rowlands, Griffin Thompson, Paul Howard, Leah Pappas, Yvette Herrick, Ava Curinga, Ryan Lewis, Renee Kavulich, Ruby Karns, Ashley Ondreyko, Marshall Clement, Aidan Skuban, Allicyn Bisaha, Lillian Cook, Rachee Rychlewski, Lauren Lewis, Abby Leighton, Madison Lewis, Ella Kariam, Warren Schneider, Thomas Stocks, Daniella Ramos, Cecilia Gaetani, Giano Lisi, Sophia Easley



Fifth Grade: Brodie Strong, Sam Olsen, Julia Clarke, Naomi Easley, Amanat Dhillon, Baron Keller, Cameron Vanderlinde, Gunner Farber, Alex Leudemann, Donovan Jackson, Alexis Lewis, Laitlyn Kutalek, Corey Streno, Theo STreno, Michael MAcarak, Danica Labarre, Kaleigh MacBlane, Seamus MacNamee, Landon Hanna, Olivia Kumpon, McKenzi Tierno and Guilliana Giammarino

A huge thank you to Mrs. Bieber for a well-planned successful evening. Contratulations to all participants!

Kids in the Kitchen

50 of our Brookside and Donnelly 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students had an opportunity to participate in the Junior League sponsored Kids in the Kitchen Event. Students rotated between engaging stations focused on exotic fruits, pesto, fruit & vegetable smoothies and crossfit. Each participant walked away with new learning, a full belly, tired body and a bag of goodies. Wow! Thank you Junior League for sponsoring this free event!



Poetry Recitation

Brookside celebrated National Poetry Month with many students participating in our annual poetry recitation April 11th.



BK, Kindergarten and first grades all recited class poems and over 40 students from grades K-5 recited poems individually or with a friend or two. Families and staff enjoyed listening to the poems and seeing all of the hard work the students put into the recitation.

Participating individual students include:

Kindergarten: Bailey Garlock, Megan Icenogle, Maverick Manning and Katherine Newby



First Grade: Brooke Icenogle, Emma McMichael, Sophia Simeone

Second Grade: Jocelyn Brusso, Harlynn Childress, Lilly Gaskins, Ava Kariam, Elizabeth Newby, Riley Olds, Samatha Piscina and Madison Strong



Third Grade: Chloe Brink, Vivian Ditch, Leigha Jackson, Alaina Judy, Olivia Lewis, Ella Lawrence, Abby Leudemann, Baylee Manning, Liliana Mastronardi, Audrey Packer, Ava Passionino and James Root.



Fourth Grade: Tyler Blain, Genevieve Brown, Lillian Farber, Ella Kariam, Ruby Karns, Abby Leighton, Lauren Lewis, Madison Lewis, Ashley Ondreyko, Leah Pappas and Hannah Piscina,

Fifth Grade: Naomi Easley, Emma Geiser, Cadence Hayward, Macadia Heavey, Sophie Icenogle, Baron Keller, Alex Leudemann, and Brodie Strong

Congratulations to all participants! A huge thank you to Mrs. Coe for a well-planned successful evening!



DAVINCI FESTIVAL STUDENT PARTICIPANTS FROM BROOKSIDE!

Artwork has been selected for display in the annual DaVinci Art Show at the Broome County Library, located at 185 Court Street, in Binghamton, by Ms. Sumner. Several pieces were selected from our school for submission. The Opening Reception for the exhibit will take place on May 4, 2019 from 10am-2pm. The display will be up until Saturday, May 26, 2018 and open during the regular hours of the library- Mondays through Thursdays from 9 am to 8 pm and Fridays through Saturdays from 9 am to 5 pm. Please feel free to bring along as many family members as you would like. The DaVinci Festival asks only that families review and observe proper library and art show etiquette (look, don't touch; quiet voices; walking feet) so that the work is safe, and the experience is pleasant for all who are at the library.

STUDENT PARTICIPANTS:

Kindergarten: Bailey Garlock
First Grade: Vincenzo DiRenzo
Second Grade: Payden Bort, Carter Wallace
Fourth Grade: Maverick Aton, Ryan Lewis
Fifth Grade: Julla Clarke, Gavin Cole, Kalelgh MacBlane, Brodie Strong

Thanks for your support!

**Scrumptious Science
Ice Cream in a bag**

Mrs. King's Kindergarten class made ice cream in a bag while learning about states of matter (liquid, solid and gas).

Observations were made about the ingredients and predictions on what would happen to the liquids when we shook them in a bag of ice and salt. The results were a delicious soft vanilla ice cream!



3rd Grade NEWS



Have you ever tasted melancholy? What do you think it would taste like?

As a part of a Character Studies Unit, students in Mrs. Hatton's 3rd grade class experienced the taste of melancholy through a shared reading experience with the book, *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo. This story made us laugh, cry and think deeply about how we perceive others. Through the eyes of India Opal Buloni (Opal) students learned a valuable lesson about life; "how the sweet and sad were all mixed up together and how hard it was to separate them out." In the story, Opal is given a piece of candy called, a Littmus Lozenge that "makes her think of things she feels sad about". Our students were given the opportunity to experience this by tasting the candy for themselves. They discussed the characters, their feelings and their own thoughts the candy reminded them of. Their reflections of the story were profound. Students wrote in journals and shared their thinking with each other. They discovered the taste of melancholy first hand. The

experience allowed the kids to go deeper making their own connections and insights about the story characters' actions, thoughts and feelings.

Reading to children can be some of the most meaningful teaching we can do as teachers and as parents. This was a memorable experience for the class as they enjoyed a story with complex characters and events. I hope you get the opportunity to read this book with your children. You'll be amazed at how insightful young children really can be.

PS- If you would like to try a "Littmus Lozenge" and taste melancholy for yourself, grab the book and a bag of root beer barrels. See if you can taste the sweet and the sad at the same time. But, shhhh...don't tell the kids the secret. They enjoyed the magic of thinking the candy was original. ☺



Artist's Corner

Pre- K artists started by tracing a half pizza circle of cardboard for the body of their peacocks.

Next we drew upside down v's for the neck and added circles for the heads, adding eyes and beaks. We focused on making diagonal lines coming out from the body for the peacock feathers.

Students traced an oval shape for the spots on the feathers.



These projects are a fantastic example of what great work we can do with listening ears and looking eyes! Ms. Sumner is super proud of such wonderful art work!

Next we added color with crayon, using green inside the bodies, and tracing blue around the oval spots on the feathers, as well as inside the necks and heads. We traced our diagonal lines with purple and the feathery v shaped lines with blue. We outlined the spots on the feathers with q tips dipped in glue and used copper glitter on them. We repeated this process with purple glitter on the big diagonal lines of the feathers, blue glitter on the feathery v shaped lines of the feathers, and green glitter around the body.





Help for the Red Cross

After learning about natural disasters and how the Red Cross assists victims affected the 5th grade ELA students at Brookside Elementary cooperatively designed, organized, and executed a project to raise funds to support the local Red Cross. The projects included a bottle drive, guess the amount of candy in a jar, Principal Punishment, bake sale, Rubber Duck Game, Comedy Hour, arts and crafts, Hot Wheel Race and Candy sale.

Christine Titus

Brookside Elementary

5th Grade ELA



5th Grade

The end of the year is a busy time for 5th grade students.

May 10... 5th grade dance/mixer at RTS middle school 6:30pm

May 13, 14 & 16,17...Learn to Swim program

May 15... 4th & 5th grades Baseball in Education Day- Rumble Ponies field trip

May 20... 5th Grade daytime orientation for students at the middle school.

May 20...6:00pm 5th Grade Parent orientation at RTS Middle school

June 7... 4th & 5th grade Track Meet

June 17...Kopernik field trip with Donnelly

June 18...CTE Field Trip

June 21 ... Graduation 9:30am

June 24...last day of school

Show of Love



Joe Trionfero entertained the students with a program specializing in character education. A combination of music, fun and friendly competition engaged the room while focusing on teamwork, cooperation and community! The key areas addressed are: Respect, responsibility civility, empathy, communication, conflict resolution, violence intervention, bully prevention, anger management and appreciating differences. Ask your child all about it!



Brookside Staff in Blue

Wearing blue to bring awareness to child Abuse and Neglect.



Help PTA pay for field trips!! We continue to collect box tops for Education. Each box top is worth \$.10 and they can add up to big money for our school. Thank you for your support.

Thank You PTA for Field Trip Fun...

Mrs Volkert – Kopernik Observatory
PK- Finch Hollow and Roberson
K - Finch Hollow
1 –Roberson
2 – Animal Adventure
3 – Roberson
4 – Rumble Ponies Game
5 – Rumble Ponies Game, Kopernik Observatory

Brookside 4th Graders are Published!



Shoparoo

Help us pay for a field trip bus!

Not a member yet? It's Easy to Join!



We all shop...so why not earn money for our school? It's easy and free!

- Sign up for Shoparoo App on your smart phone
- Each time you shop snap a picture of your receipt
- Food related purchases earn dollars and all other purchases earn points for a chance at additional money.

Use code: CRAZ4255 or GRER6589 to get started today! Need help setting up an account, or have questions contact PTA President Maria Giammarino

Four students from Mrs. Herceg's class sent original stories in to the Spooky Saga writing competition, and their work was chosen to be part of the published book! Congratulations to these students for a wonderful writing accomplishment.



Menus for May 2019

Brookside Elementary School



This institution is an equal opportunity provider. Menus are subject to change.

CINCO de MAYO

Cinco de Mayo (Spanish for "May Fifth") is a time to celebrate Mexican-American food and culture in the U.S. It's a much bigger deal here than it is in Mexico!

Available Daily

Weekly Sandwiches:
M,W,F: Turkey/Cheese
T,Th: Ham/Cheese

Weekly Salads:
5/1-5/3: Chicken Spiedies Salad
5/6-5/10: Turkey Bacon Ranch
5/13-5/17: Chef Salad
5/20-5/22: Popcorn Chicken Salad
5/24-5/31: Turkey Bacon Ranch

Served Daily
Yogurt Meal
4 oz. yogurt, string cheese
Served with:
Mon/Tues/Wed: Soft Pretzel
Thurs: UBR Fri: Granola
PB & Jelly Sandwich

Milk Choices:
Unflavored—1% & Fat Free
Chocolate—1%

*All salads served w/same sides as Yogurt Meal
*All options served w/same fruit and vegetable of the day

Daily Breakfast Options:
Student must select 1 Fruit and/or Juice (pick one or two)
M/W/Th/F: Cereal and/or Muffin Top (pick one or two)

Breakfast Lunch

\$1.70 \$2.60

Go to: mySchoolBucks.com

Friday, May 3

Breakfast
Breakfast Sandwich
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
Stuffed Crust Pizza
Garden Salad
w/Chickpeas
Assorted Fresh Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Thursday, May 2

Breakfast
Mimi Cinnis
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
Pasta w/Meat Sauce
Garlic Bread Stick
Steamed Broccoli
Chilled Applesauce
100% Fruit Juice
Low Fat Milk

Wednesday, May 1

Breakfast
Bagel Breakfast Pizza
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
Grilled Cheese
Sandwich
Tomato Soup
Fresh Cucumbers &
Tomatoes
w/Hummus & Dip
Fresh Banana
Low Fat Milk

Friday, May 10

Breakfast
Breakfast Sandwich
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
School's Choice Pizza
Garden Salad
w/Chickpeas
Assorted Fresh Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Thursday, May 9

Breakfast
French Toast Sticks
w/Syrup
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
NY Thursday!
NYS Chicken Glazed
w/Dinosaur BBQ Sauce
Wheat Dinner Roll
Oven Roasted
Potatoes
Fresh Apple
Low Fat Milk

Wednesday, May 8

Breakfast
Breakfast Pizza
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
Pulled Pork Sandwich
Potato Puffs
Veggie Cruncher Cup
w/Hummus & Dip
Fresh Watermelon
Low Fat Milk

Tuesday, May 7

Breakfast
Choice of Two:
Cinn. Bun, Cereal or
Yogurt
Assorted Fruit / Milk

Lunch
Breaded Mozz. Sticks
w/Dipping Sauce
Side of Pasta w/Sauce
Wheat Dinner Roll
Garden Salad
w/Chickpeas
Chilled Pear
100% Fruit Juice
Low Fat Milk

Monday, May 6

Breakfast
Mini Pancakes
Assorted Fruit
Low Fat Milk

Lunch
Popcorn Chicken
Oven Baked Potato
Wedges
Baby Carrots
w/Hummus & Dip
Fresh Apple
Low Fat Milk

May Farm to School Highlight:

Slate Foods is a collective of farms in different regions throughout the state. Every pound produced is growth hormone and antibiotic free. Slate Foods produces delicious beef hot dogs for schools all across the state!

Sub | Fresh

**What's on
YOUR
plate!**



Q: Where do we get most of the tomatoes we eat?



A: The average American eats close to 30 pounds of tomatoes a year, and all of them started off on a vine somewhere! But less than half the tomatoes we eat are fresh. We get most of our tomatoes in processed forms — out of a bottle of ketchup, in pizza sauce, or as various kinds of canned tomatoes.

Learn more at www.ChooseMyPlate.gov or http://kidshealth.org/kid/stay_healthy/food/pyramid.html

NUTRITION TO GO

Some studies suggest that blueberries can improve brain functioning and protect against age-related mental decline. The high amount of "antioxidants" in blueberries may actually help the brain stay younger longer! Blueberry season runs from May to September.

A QUICK BITE FOR PARENTS

Friday, May 17
Breakfast
 Breakfast Sandwich
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Stuffed Crust Pizza
 Garden Salad
 w/Chickpeas
 Assorted Fresh Fruit
 Low Fat Milk

Thursday, May 16
Breakfast
 Mini Cinnis
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
Rex & Roxy's Birthday
 Fruit/Yogurt Parfait
 Mozzarella String
 Cheese
 Ultimate Breakfast
 Round
 Veggie Cruncher Cup
 Chilled Peaches
 100% Fruit Juice
 Low Fat Milk

Wednesday, May 15
Breakfast
 Bagel Breakfast Pizza
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
Brunch at Lunch!
 French Toast Sticks
 Sausage Patty
 Potato Puffs
 Fresh Orange
 Low Fat Milk

Tuesday, May 14
Breakfast
Choice of Two:
 Cinn. Bun, Cereal or
 Yogurt
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Meatball Sub
 Harvest Cheddar Sun
 Chips
 Sliced Cucumbers
 w/Hummus & Dip
 Chilled Applesauce
 100% Fruit Juice
 Low Fat Milk

Monday, May 13
Breakfast
 Frudel
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Chicken Patty on a
 Bun
 Sweet Potato Crinkle
 Fries
 Green Beans
 Fresh Apple
 Low Fat Milk

Friday, May 24
**Memorial Day
 Recess**
 No School
 Today!

Thursday, May 23
**Memorial Day
 Recess**
 No School
 Today!

Wednesday, May 22
Breakfast
 Breakfast Pizza
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Homemade Pizza
 Cheese, Pepperoni or
 Garlic
 Garden Salad
 w/Chickpeas
 Assorted Fresh Fruit
 Low Fat Milk

Tuesday, May 21
Breakfast
Choice of Two:
 Cinn. Bun, Cereal or
 Yogurt
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 NY Hot Dog on a
 Bun
 Oven Baked Crinkle
 Fries
 Steamed Broccoli
 Chilled Mixed Fruit
 100% Fruit Juice
 Low Fat Milk

Monday, May 20
Breakfast
 Mini Pancakes
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Chicken Nuggets
 w/Dipping Sauce
 Seasoned Brown Rice
 Glazed Carrots
 Fresh Apple
 Low Fat Milk

Friday, May 31
Breakfast
 Breakfast Sandwich
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Stuffed Crust Pizza
 Garden Salad
 w/Chickpeas
 Assorted Fresh Fruit
 Low Fat Milk

Thursday, May 30
Breakfast
 French Toast Sticks
 w/Syrup
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Pasta w/Meat Sauce
 Garlic Bread Stick
 Harvest Apple Kale
 Salad
 Baby Carrots
 w/Hummus & Dip
 Chilled Mixed Fruit
 100% Fruit Juice
 Low Fat Milk

Wednesday, May 29
Breakfast
 Bagel Breakfast Pizza
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Lupo's Chicken
 Spiedie Sub
 Oven Roasted
 Potatoes
 Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
 Fresh Apple
 Low Fat Milk

Tuesday, May 28
Breakfast
 Mini Pancakes
 Assorted Fruit
 Low Fat Milk
Lunch
 Cheeseburger on a
 Bun
 w/Lettuce & Tomato
 Oven Baked Seasoned
 Fries
 Glazed Carrots
 Chilled Applesauce
 100% Fruit Juice
 Low Fat Milk



SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESENTS

COMMUNITY NIGHT

MUSIC, ART AND FAMILY FUN

TUESDAY - MAY 21st - 4:00-6:00 pm

CONCERT STARTS AT 6:30

DISTRICT ART SHOW

Brookside, Donnelly, RTS Middle School
and SV High School student art work
will be on display starting at 4pm.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCERT

RTS Middle School 6th, 7th & 8th Grade
Bands, Choruses and Orchestra will
perform in the high school auditorium
@ 6:30.

FAMILY - FUN - ACTIVITIES

Ice Cream
Swimming (limit of 80 swimmers)
Inflatables
Slime
Wilson Dental

Homemade Instruments
STEM Activities
Photo Booth
Mini Carnival Games
Musical Theater

Face Painting
Library Tunnel
Free Books
Rock Painting
Tortoise Education

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