

Forest Fanfare



FOREST ELEMENTARY

May 2019

Message from Mr. Wing

I want to start by thanking everyone who helped make our 6th Annual Run Forest Run such a huge success. This includes a special thank you to race coordinators Kalista Cozza, Kelsey Styn, and Jenny Allen. The race featured almost 400 runners and we were able to raise a significant amount of money to support the PUNT Foundation. Buffalo Bills safety Dean Marlowe was on hand to celebrate the day. We also had several local high school and college teams join in to volunteer. We are incredibly grateful for the amazing efforts everyone put in.

Some other news and notes include NYS Testing. We recently completed NYS ELA Exams for grades 3 and 4. Our students did worked very diligently in preparing and completing these assessments. The NYS Math Assessments for grades 3 and 4 commence on May 1st and 2nd.

Please note that we have some movement within our teaching ranks next year. We anticipate the following teachers at the following grade levels. Of course, this is subject to change based on student enrollment.

2019-2020 Projected Classroom Teachers

Kindergarten- Mrs. Fiegl, Mrs. Kraatz, Mrs. Losi, Mrs. Monile, Miss Shantler, Mrs. Stawicki, Mrs. Styn
1st Grade- Mrs. Albuez, Mrs. Karlinski, Miss Spada, Mrs. Vecchio
2nd Grade- Mrs. Demer, Mrs. Goodlander, Mrs. Koeppen, Mrs. Grimm, Mrs. Zirolì
3rd Grade- Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Bommer, Mrs. Celeste, Mrs. Collins, Miss Morrison
4th Grade- Mrs. Brinkerhoff & Mrs. Kuebler (Team) and Mr. Buss & Miss DiPasquale (Team)

If you have feedback as to what learning environment you feel ideally suits your child, please provide that feedback no later than June 1, 2019.

Forest Calendar of Events

May 1	Grades 3 & 4 NYS Math Tests	June 1	Gr 4 NYS Science Tests
May 2	Grades 3 & 4 NYS Math Tests	June 6	Kindergarten Day to Shine
May 3	PTA Ice Cream Social/Bookfair/Art Show	June 7	Field Days – bag lunches
May 10	Forest Talent Show – 6 pm at South HS	June 14	Half Day – 10:30 am Dismissal
May 13	PTA Meeting – 6:30 pm	June 13	Gr 2 Parent Celebration
May 17	Outdoor Education Day – bag lunches	June 14	Flag Day Celebration – 8:30 am
May 21	District Budget Vote – 7 am to 9 pm at North High School gym	June 21	Half Day – 10:30 am
May 23	Gr 4 NYS Science Performance Test	June 20	Gr 3 World Expo – 10:30 am
May 27	Memorial Day – No School	June 20	Gr 1 Parent Celebration 11 am
May 29	Gr 4 Concert – 9 am & 12:45 pm for school 7 pm for parents	June 24	Gr 4 Party
		June 25	Gr 4 Graduation – 9 am @ Mill Middle
		June 25	Last Student Day – 10:30 am Dismissal

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Main Office	716-626-9800	Nurse	716-626-9805
Transportation	716-626-8390	Social Worker	716-626-9802
Attendance	716-626-9818	Cafeteria	716-626-9811
School Fax	716-626-9819	WITS Help Desk	716-626-8058

CLASS PLACEMENT 2019-2010

Annually, the teachers and administration at Forest Elementary work diligently in the Spring to create class lists for the following school year. Though we have had the opportunity to work with your child and feel that we know them well, your opinion is always very important to us. If you would like to share any ideas you have about class placement for the upcoming year, we welcome your input. Please be aware that we can never guarantee a specific teacher placement, but we will always work to meet the academic, social, and emotional needs of your child with the best fit possible. Please do not hesitate to share with us any thoughts you have, particularly in the areas of your child's strengths and areas for growth. Please communicate these thoughts with us prior to **June 1, 2019** by email (kwing@williamsvillek12.org) or written letter.

NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

The Artist of the Month winners have their artwork on display near the gym and receive a pencil and certificate. Congratulations, Artists! The student chosen for the month of April are:

Parker Brownell
Josiah Asbach
Ariana Whitman
Ben Maio

Hiro Homma
Tadgh Thomas
Claire Bosman
Morgan Cragg

Ryan Knab
Michaela Asbach
Annabet Collins
Joey Hunt

Congratulations to Ms. Aschbacher, Miss Flynn and the Forest Green Club for winning 3rd place in the Erie County Rain Barrel Painting Contest!

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open Enrollment is available at the elementary level for Forest and Dodge Elementary. The deadline date for grades 1-4 is June 1, 2019 for the 2019-20 school year and July 1, 2019 for entering Kindergarten students for the 2019-2020 school year. Please contact the Student Service Office at District Office at 716-626-8007 if you have any questions.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year will take place here at Forest Elementary by appointment only. Our Main Office will be contacting families of incoming kindergartners according to the census list provided by the District. If we have not contacted you or if you know of new families to the district who will have a child turning 5 years old by 12/1/2019, please have them contact Marlene Hooper at the Forest Main Office at 716-626-9801 to set up a registration appointment.

SHARED DECISION MAKING TEAM

Our SDM Committee recognizes students who are showing good character. If a student is witnessed by any staff member showing exceptional character, they are given a yellow slip to put in our Character jar. Winners will be chosen from the character jar each month for a chance to win a prize. The students recognized for April for good character are:

Maclain Albertson	Josiah Asbach	Michaela Asbach	Aniella Baio
Gabrielle Baroldy	Adam Beck	Angelina Bennett	Isaiah Bennett
Annabelle Berke	Matthew Bieber	Avyuktha Billakanti	Ryan Bishop
Macayle Blue	Alex Booker	Claire Bozman	Annelise Brown
Mrs. Brinkerhoff's Class	Parker Brownell	Adrian Buseman	McKenzie Butch
Amelia Calos	Nicholas Carrow	Colton Carver	Sam Castiglione
Benjamin Cerny	Madison Chaplin	Janice Cheung	Braxton Christ
Roman Clabeaux	Mrs. Collin's Class	Gracey Collins	Liam Corbett
Niko Coronado	Jonah Cozza	Mia Cozza	Zoe Crabtree
Elliot Czesak	Oliver Czesak	Michael Dagostino	Gabriella Daniels
Liam Danner	Thomas Danwin	Jaxon Dehn	Hunter Dees
Noah Donner	Max Drossos	Sophia Dufrene	Mikaelah Duncan
Ohana Fajardo	Emily Farleo	Maia Fineberg	Seamus Flannery
Kyle Fohrd	Daevon Folkes	Kaylie Freeman	Jack Gangi
Grace Giambanco	Nhila Gilliard	Mrs. Grimm's class	Blake Grisanti
Layla Grisanti	Bennett Goldberg	Euan Good	Gavin Haentges
Spencer Hanson	Jonah Hardy	Eliana Heffler	Claire Held
Ella Hicks	Kelcie Hogan	Liam Hoitink	Anthony Howard
Ella Hungerford	Joey Hunt	Sam Irmisch	Ella Jackson
Lukas Jackson	Chloe Jaworski	Dylan Jenkins	Jonah Jenkins
Corinne Johns	Evan Johns	Jayce Johnson	Agamdeep Kaur
Benny Keller	Kamryn Kendall	Dylan Knab	Alodie Koch
Ty Kohler	Cooper Kolt	Claire Krajewski	Suzie Kulpa
Oscar Lamb	Sophia Lamm	Freddie Lapple	Vienna Leber
Vienna Lebel	Addison Lester	Sam Lombardo	Mrs. Losi's Class
Braden Macaulay	Julian Macy	Evan Mankowski	Gianna Massabini
Raya Marquart	Olivia Mathew	Cahli McAdory	Sophia McLellan
Liam McKay	Augie Meier	Tessa Michalowski	Alex Miller
Hayden Miller	Mrs. Monile's Class	Rosie Moreno	Angel Moss
Rayna Moss	Michaela Muehlbauer	Jack Murphy	Samantha Murphy
Stephen Mycio	Quinn Myers	Henry Noe	Henry Notarius
Elizabeth Ofor	Eileen O'Neil	Casai Ortiz	Grayson Overton
Ryan Palmer	Ty Parrack	Thanvi Paturu	Alaina Penasack
Eric Penasack	Joshua Pernick	Liam Pfeister	Mrs. Picone's Class
Rodney Pierce	Shivanni Pilly	Makenzie Poblocki	Ezra Poulin
Allie Puccio	Madison Raab	Charlotte Radel	Madeline Reilly
Alyssa Richards	Colin Roberto	Claire Robbins	Rachael Rodriguez
Joseph Rogers	Lailey Romano	Leo Sanders	Anaiah Saqib
Dylan Saunders	Macie Sawyer	Wyatt Schnelle	Calvin Schenk
Juliet Scibetta	Adam Seibert	Gigi Shaw	Nina Sherman
Zakariya Siddiqui	Benny Smith	Hayden Smith	Mason Smith
Lia Sperrazzo	Marra Sperrazzo	Tyler Sperrazzo	Aaliyah Stephens
Alaya Spurlock	Gavin Stroehlein	Mrs. Styn's Class	Tyler Tepas
Tadgh Thomas	Henry Thompson	Anders Tonner	Abigail Tubiolo
Nivaan Verma	Smayan Vikhe	Madelena Vredenburg	Vivian Wagner

SHARED DECISION MAKING TEAM (cont'd)

Gavin Walker	Ellie Watson	Payton Weinstein	Vince Whipple
Ariana Whitman	Anderson Williams	Porter Williams	Pratt Williams
Leah Wilson	Maia Wilson	Ethan Wing	Charlie Wirth
Jack Witul	Sophia Witul	Quinn Wolf	Danny Xu
Noah Zarcone	Cora Zimmer	Mrs. Zirolì's Class	Reilly Zloty
Elena Zinaja			

From the Forest PTA

A huge THANK YOU to all the teachers, staff, parents, and community members who contributed their time and efforts to the PTA's biggest event of the year - Run Forest Run! We had almost 400 registered participants and raised funds for Forest's PTA operating budget and the PUNT Fund. It was a great day of fun, food, and of course, racing! Thank you for your support, participation, and donations!

Don't forget that this Friday, May 3rd is our Annual Ice Cream Social, along with the Scholastic Book Fair and Art Show. Bring the whole family from 6-8 pm!

The district-wide Service To Youth awards will be held on May 6th. Congratulations to the following winners:

Professional: Michelle Weber
Support Staff: Ellen Shores
Volunteer: Andrea Wiepert

In April, our PTA elections were held. Congratulations to our new officers! The Executive Committee for the 2019-2020 school year is as follows:

Melissa Jorgenson (Co-President)
Ellen Notarius (Co-President)
Lauren Schellinger (Treasurer)
Kim Saunders (VP of Communications/Corresponding Secretary)
Elizabeth Baroldy (VP of Volunteer Coordination)
Kalista Cozza (VP of Membership)
Tara Albertson (VP of Field Trips & Room Parent Coordination)
Sundal Saqib (VP of Programming)
Chad Lavin (Recording Secretary)

The final PTA Meeting of the year will be on May 13th at 6:30. Topics will include a re-cap of the years events, as well as results from the recent PTA survey. If you are interested in chairing an event or fundraiser next year, this meeting is great one to attend to get more info and let us know! As always, childcare will be provided in the cafeteria.

Happy Spring!

Melissa Jorgenson



Please consider donating new Lego sets

There will be a bin in the front
foyer for all donations.

During the month of May, we will be celebrating the life of Sebastian Bradley through the Lego Club that he created to assist other children at John R. Oishei Children's Hospital. Sebastian was a student at Forest Elementary and was an inspiration to everyone he met! Let's help to keep his dream alive!

Thanks for your support!!

For more info about Sebastian's Lego club, click here:

<https://www.ochbuffalo.org/foundation/sebastians-lego-club>



FLAG DAY 2019

Again this year, Forest Elementary would like to take some time during the annual Flag Day ceremony to honor our American veterans who are connected with Forest Elementary School. The hope is that this will give our students an understanding that our American heroes are all around us and are often our neighbors, friends, and relatives.

During the Flag Day ceremony we would like to honor these individuals by reading their name and various details about their service. These individuals are invited to wear their military uniform if they chose to do so.

If you are/or know a veteran who is connected (relative or friend of a student) to Forest Elementary and is willing to be honored in the Flag Day ceremony please fill out the information below and return it to Mrs. Schrlau in the Forest Elementary Main Office by Tuesday, June 4th. Veterans who are included in the ceremony will be asked to be in attendance at Forest Elementary by 8:15 a.m. on Friday, June 14th. The ceremony itself is scheduled to begin at 8:30 and typically concludes by 9:30 a.m.

Please note, past honored veterans are more than welcome to participate again during the 2019 ceremony.

Veteran's Name _____

Connection to Forest Elementary _____

Branch of Service _____

Military Rank _____

Years of Service (i.e. 1984-1992) _____

Combat Vet (Yes or No). If yes, which conflict? _____

Retired or Active Duty _____

Any medals, commendations, or information you would like us to be aware of

MyStop Information

MyStop is a tracking software which utilizes the GPS devices installed on every school bus used in the District. A parent can only view information related to their children using a secure login and password.

Each student has a unique Student ID# that will serve as the user name and password associated with the bus routing information.

Log into WITS to view your child's profile. Then highlight and copy your child's ID number provided on the WITS profile page. Click on the MyStop Icon located in the right hand margin of the WITS home page. Enter your child's ID # in both the user name and password fields. You will then see a map showing where the bus is on the route. This application will only apply to morning and afternoon routes, not field trip activity. If you need assistance, please email:

WCSDbusapp@williamsvillek12.org

VISITORS

All doors of the school are locked during the school day. Anyone entering the building needs to use the Main Entrance doors. All visitors must state their name and purpose of visit to the office staff. We ask that you do not let anyone in behind you or when you are leaving. All volunteers/visitors need to sign in at the Main Office and wear a visitor sticker. Please do not visit a teacher's classroom unless it has been prearranged with the teacher.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The school will not be responsible for lost, damaged or stolen personal electronic devices. It is our recommendation that under most circumstances personal electronic devices not be brought to school. Students are not permitted to use a cell phone during the school day. If your child has a cell phone, it should be turned off or silenced. Students have access to the phone in the Main Office should an issue arise.

Lunch menus will be available the first of each month. There are several different choices daily. Your child will order their lunch choice in the morning with their teacher.

LUNCH PRE-PAYMENT SYSTEM

Williamsville School District's Food Service Department is excited to provide parents a convenient, easy and secure online prepayment service to deposit money into your child's school meal account at any time. This service also provides parents the ability to view your child's account balance through a web site called myschoolbucks.com. By having money in each child's account we find the lunch lines move along much faster. A \$2.49 transaction fee is charged for this service. For more information, please see the [District Child Nutrition page](#). You will need your child's student ID number to set up an account. This number is on your WITS Parent Portal. The website for student meal pre-payment is: [MySchoolBucks](#). You also always have the option to send cash or check with your child or stop in to our cafeteria and pre-pay for lunches.

CE Schedule **Mon** **Tues** **Wed** **Thurs** **Fri**

May			1 Day 1	2 Day 2	3 Day 3	4
5	6 Day 4	7 Day 5	8 Day 1	9 Day 2	10 Day 3	11
12	13 Day 4	14 Day 5	15 Day 1	16 Day 2	17 Outdoor Ed Day	18
19	20 Day 3	21 Day 4	22 Day 5	23 Day 1	24 Day 2	25
26	27 No School	28 Day 3	29 Day 4	30 Day 5	31 Day 1	

8:35 to	Grade 3	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
9:20 am	Becker	Library	PE	Art	PE	Music
	Celeste	Music	Art	PE	Library	PE
	Collins	PE	Library	Music	PE	Art
	Morrison	Art	PE	Library	Music	PE
	Stawicki	PE	Music	PE	Art	Library

10:20 to	Kindergarten	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
11:05 am	Fiegl	Music	Art	PE	Library	PE
	Losi	Art	PE	Library	Music	PE
	Monile	PE	Library	Music	PE	Art
	Shantler	Library	PE	Art	PE	Music
	Styn	PE	Music	PE	Art	Library

11:10 to	Grade 1	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
11:55 am	Albuez	Library	PE	Art	PE	Music
	Karlinski	PE	Library	Music	PE	Art
	Picone	PE	Music	PE	Art	Library
	Spada	Music	Art	PE	Library	PE
	Vecchio	Art	PE	Library	Music	PE

12:30 to	Grade 2	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
1:15 pm	Demer	Art	PE	Library	Music	PE
	Goodlander	PE	Music	PE	Art	Library
	Grimm	Music	Art	PE	Library	PE
	Koeppen	PE	Library	Music	PE	Art
	Zirolì	Library	PE	Art	PE	Music

1:25 to	Grade 4	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
2:10 pm	Bommer	Library	Art	PE	Music	PE
	Brinkerhoff	Music	PE	Art	Library	PE
	Buss	PE	Music	Library	PE	Art
	DiPasquale	PE	Library	PE	Art	Music
	Kuebler	Art	PE	Music	PE	Library