
Tuesday, April 9, 2024





Dear Parents:


In springtime, I greatly enjoy spotting a few flowers that have pushed their way through the hard earth. Daffodils are some of the first ones to make an appearance and are a good indicator that winter is over. Because of this, they are seen to represent rebirth and new beginnings. The daffodil is also the symbol for the American Cancer Association because it represents hope for a cure.


The daffodil belongs to the *narcissus* genus. The Greek god, Narcissus, was so obsessed with his own reflection in the water, that he drowned in an attempt to capture it. There is a legend that says that is why daffodils and other narcissus flowers grow along stream banks. I'm not sure about all of that. All I know is that my eyes enjoy these early flowers but my sinuses do not!

Spring is a very busy season at BTCS. Thanks for keeping on top of all the events!

 **April 10-11:** The third through sixth graders will be taking the ILEARN practice test. This is an important step in understanding how the actual tests will be.

 **April 12:** This is our last Professional Development Day of the year. There will be an **early dismissal at 2:15**. After care is available for a fee.

 **April 16-26:** The IDOE-mandated I-LEARN tests are administered to third through sixth graders. Please avoid all appointments during this time frame, particularly in the mornings. Please make every effort to have your child to school by 8:15 so that testing can begin as scheduled. If your child misses a testing session or is tardy, he/she will have to make it up, as required by IDOE regulations.

 **May 3:** The theme for Field Day is "Once upon a Field Day." The two teams will compete in various storybook activities throughout the day. It is always a memorable time for the students. We need parents to help lead teams throughout the day. If you are available, please email the school office. Melissa will send the information along to Mrs. Gleason who is organizing the event this year.



May 7: Each year the students attempt five miles on the final Mileage Club Challenge. This year the theme is “Let’s Celebrate!” The token is a high-five symbol. The students will receive party blowers to add to the fun.



May 10: The kindergarten class will present a program titled, “Too Much Noise.” They will also receive diplomas in recognition of their hard work this year. The K3 and K4 classes will present a few things to delight the audience. The evening begins at 7:00 in the church auditorium.



May 17: The second through sixth graders will present Roald Dahl’s *Matilda, Jr.* at 7:00 in the church auditorium. Tickets will be available next week.



May 23: On our final evening of school, the first through sixth graders will have Awards Night at 7:00 in the church auditorium. This is a great way to wrap up a very fast year!

Have a good week, everyone! Please take time to stop and smell the daffodils!

Mrs. Newton



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