

LIL' MOUNTAINEER NEWSLETTER

Berlin Brothersvalley Elementary School

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WE LOVE TO LEARN!

- Buy a box of conversation hearts and count how many hearts are inside - is the number even or odd?
- Make a prediction - do you think the groundhog will see his shadow?
- Learn about which presidents are on the coins - then conduct a science experiment - place coins in water and see what happens!
- Write a funny story about a hibernating bear that couldn't get to sleep.
- Start a February Kindness Challenge!

Dates to Remember:

- Feb. 2 - Groundhog's Day!
- Feb. 5 - 100th Day of School!
- Feb. 14 - scheduled 2-hr. delay (professional development)
- Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day!
- Feb. 17 - snow make-up day (President's Day)
- Feb. 18 @ 9-9:45am - Donuts for Dad
- Feb. 26-28 - PTSO Spring Book Fair

Makerspace

Our Elementary Makerspace continues to expand into its third year! The Makerspace is open to all elementary students. Here are some ways it has been used this school year: Mrs. Hay and Mrs. Kush use the Makerspace during their second and third grade science and writing classes. Fourth grade teachers use the Makerspace during special content units and for exploratory and cumulative activities. The Makerspace is supported by the Berlin Brothersvalley Foundation. We continue to accept, and are thankful for, community and parent donations of materials to use in our Makerspace. If you would like to donate materials, or have any questions, please contact Mrs. Erika Stern at estern@bbsd.com



What's Going On in Your Grade?

The ABCs of Kindergarten

Kindergarten is very excited to report that they have learned the entire alphabet A to Z! The students have done an awesome job! In January, we celebrated the wedding of Mr. Q and Miss U! The students had a wonderful time dancing and enjoyed a special snack!



First Grade is Fun!

Happy Valentine's Day! We **LOVE** what we are learning about in 1st grade! We are very busy this month! We are celebrating 100 awesome days in our class! We will enjoy classroom rotations through all of the 1st grade classrooms, along with a special 100th day snack! Our days are filled with fun and new topics, such as solids and liquids, telling time, and fact triangles. Try quizzing your child on our new topics while you are together to help enhance learning!



Sweet Second Grade!

2nd grade is showing they care this month by celebrating Valentine's Day and completing a Kindness Challenge! Help your child fill up their challenge chart!

In Math, we are diving deeper into base-10 blocks and place value. In Science, we are learning about the different types of storms, such as hurricanes, blizzards, lightning storms, and why those storms occur.

Busy Third Graders

Third graders continue to work hard!

Students are preparing for their hundredth day of school and Valentine's Day celebrations.

Parents, keep checking your third grader's folders and agendas for what's going on in third grade!

And Fourth Grade Knows!

In fourth grade science, students are learning how living things are related, and adapt, within different biomes. Their vocabularies are increasing with words like camouflage and mimicry. Students are also learning more vocabulary in ELA in preparation for the upcoming PSSAs. It's incredible to witness their evergrowing communication and comprehension skills with their new words!

Choose  KINDNESS.