



# Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District

# The Blue and White

## School News&Notes

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## Congratulations to our Valedictorian and Salutatorian!



**EASTON PORTER**  
**VALEDICTORIAN**

Easton Jackson Porter, son of Jered and Katherine Porter, has been named Valedictorian of the Bainbridge-Guilford Class of 2024. Throughout high school, he has served as a member of Student Council and National Honor Society, now functioning as the President of both. He's also played an active role in Yes! Leads, a student organization dedicated to teaching the youth about safe and smart decision making. It is through these clubs that Easton has gained valuable leadership and communication skills, which he hopes to strengthen during his years at University.

As a senior, Easton has participated in the New Visions Allied Health Program through BOCES. It has given him the chance to attend clinical rotations at various hospitals and engage in professional-style research, preparing him for a future career in medicine. Easton is very thankful for this experience, and for the accommodations B-G has provided to make these opportunities possible.

Outside of the classroom, Easton has had the pleasure of taking part in B-G's many strong music ensembles, having played the trumpet for nearly a decade. He plays in concert,

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**ISABELLE JOHNSON**  
**SALUTATORIAN**

Isabelle Loraine Johnson, daughter of Julie and Matthew Johnson, has been named Salutatorian of the Bainbridge-Guilford Class of 2024. Throughout her four years of high school, she has been on Principal's Honor Roll perpetually, which helped secure her spot in the school's chapter of the National Honor Society. Through persistent hard work Isabelle has earned enough college credits through Tompkins Cortland Community College during her high school career, between dual enrollment classes and online courses outside of school, to graduate with an Associate's Degree in math and science, along with taking multiple AP courses.

Outside of academics, Isabelle has been active in extracurriculars within the school throughout her high school career. Some of these activities include orchestra until tenth grade, soccer until her eleventh grade year, Yes! Leads starting in her eleventh grade year, and Senior Honor Society. It is through these activities that Isabelle has been able to make great connections and be involved in helping her community, which she is extremely thankful for being

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# Students of the Month

## JANUARY



Colton Ryan—7th Grade



Ethan Germond—8th Grade



Tony Cannistra—9th Grade



Hannah Shackelton—10th Grade



Landon Benham—11th Grade



Julian Pruskowski—12th Grade

## FEBRUARY



Ian Leo—7th Grade



Madeline Ingham—8th Grade



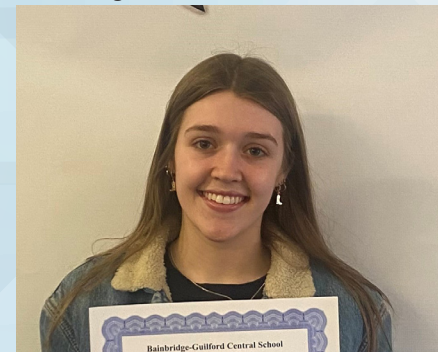
Makayla McCloud—9th Grade



Danica Park—10th Grade



Dominik Rickard—11th Grade



Alaina Maxson—12th Grade

**Students of the Month will receive a \$5 gift card from Sal's Pizzeria.**

To be eligible for this honor, students must be passing all subjects, demonstrate consistent kindness to others, be actively involved in school or community activities, show pride in the school and community and be an upstanding student in all aspects. We would like to congratulate these students for their hard work and effort to be both good students and good citizens!

*Valedictorian, continued*

marching and pep band, and has especially enjoyed performing for the jazz band. Further, Easton has participated in various athletics, both through the school and in the community. Easton has played on the varsity soccer team for six years and serves as the captain for B-G, as well as for his club soccer team in Binghamton. Additionally, he has competed in track, golf, volleyball, tennis, and table tennis through the school, some of which he intends to remain engaged in after high school. Easton accredits his involvement in sports to the character growth opportunities which have allowed him to mature as an individual, both in glory and defeat. His coaches have been a huge inspiration to his growth as a player and a person, something that he acknowledges should not be taken for granted.

After high school, Easton will be attending the University of Notre Dame on a pre-medical route. He is excited about the opportunity to maintain his passion for faith with his determination to succeed in the medical field, while cheering on the Fighting Irish. With God all things are possible.

*Salutatorian, continued*

able to take part in. Along with being active in school sponsored activities, Isabelle has also maintained a part time job after school for more than half her high school career. It is through this that Isabelle was able to learn a strong work ethic and how to balance her time between school, work, and a social life.

Isabelle would like to thank everyone who showed support throughout her academic career. Without the support of the staff of the district, friends, family, and classmates Isabelle feels that she would not be the same person or in the same place. They provided an environment that was full of unique experiences and chances to grow, all while being supported. The faculty and teachers provided all the tools necessary to achieve great success and have always been encouraging towards students in hopes of them reaching their fullest potential. Isabelle's family has been continuously supportive throughout her high school career, constantly going out of their way to attend every event, ceremony, and more. Isabelle will be forever grateful for her parents' support and lessons they taught her because without them she would not be the independent, driven person she is. Lastly, Isabelle would like to thank her friends for always supporting and being there for her, along with offering advice and help when needed.

After graduating high school, Isabelle plans to attend college, pursuing a major in Biomedical Engineering, with hopes of working in the biotech field. She has always had a love of mathematics and science and hopes to combine these to help people and further the biotech field. Isabelle is excited to begin the next chapter of her life and see what it brings, but will always revere the time she spent at B-G and the important skills she learned along the way.

## Superintendent's Message

Spring is here! Even after a mild winter the district is ready for spring! With the winter so mild, the district had six unused Emergency Closing days built into this year's calendar. The district did decide to "use" two days, Monday, March 11 and Monday, April 8 and the weather necessitated a day on Thursday, March 21, 2024. This still leaves the district with three Emergency Closing days left, if needed.

A question I have received a few times is does the district have to give back unused days. Technically no, however, the state and local bargaining units determine the length of the school year. Districts cannot exceed 186 days, and some bargaining unit contracts only allow for 182 workdays.

With the end of winter comes the busiest time of the school year! Spring sports have started, budget season is upon us, plans are underway for graduation and prom, and our current Capital Project is commencing. During this year's budget hearing on May 14, 2024, I will review the scope of the Capital Project and discuss the phases and timeline for construction.

In the coming weeks please look for more information on the school budget in the district newsletter. I will also be discussing the budget in the local newspapers and my coffee in May. The Bainbridge-Guilford Central School District is YOUR district and I welcome your involvement in this process.

Congratulations to our graduating seniors. This time of year is bittersweet for us. We are excited for our students to head off to college, or a career or the military, but we will miss all that they have brought to us as a bobcat. The district is confident our students are graduating college and career ready.

As always, I welcome your thoughts and feedback. My door is always open. If you have any questions, or would like to meet, please call the school at 967-6321, or email me at [tryan@bgcsd.org](mailto:tryan@bgcsd.org).

—Timothy R. Ryan,  
Superintendent of Schools

### 6th Grade Parent Information Night

Time is quickly approaching when your child will be moving up into Jr. High School. All 6th grade students and their parent/guardian are invited to attend an informational meeting on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 in the Jr. -Sr High School auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

Junior High policies, procedures and course requirements will be reviewed. We look forward to meeting the class of 2030!



## A Message from the Jr.-Sr. High School Principal

We are approaching the end of the third quarter of the school year. This year has been good. We have had a mild winter, and the majority of our students are doing well academically and behaviorally. Outside of the school day, many students are taking advantage of the many extracurricular activities B-G has to offer. Additionally, students are using our Fitness Center both during the day, in Physical Education classes, and after school with their sport teams or just staying after to work out.

As we move towards the end of the school year, there are three things we would like to ask for help with; support of our expectations at sporting events, refraining from texting/calling your son and/or daughter during the school day, and speaking to your son and/or daughter that the use of AI (Artificial Intelligence) to complete school work is cheating.

Though our winter sports seasons have ended, I feel compelled to revisit our last home Boy's Basketball Game. Unfortunately, we lost to Marathon in the first round of sectional play. However, a bigger disappointment, was the behavior of a few of our fans and then the reaction by a few adults. We at B-G want and encourage our students to CHEER for all our teams, players, and coaches. This is reviewed at the start of school in grade level meetings and presented to our students that we want our student cheering section to be LOUD, PROUD, and POSITIVE! Negative comments are not acceptable and go against the philosophy and concept of good sportsmanship. We want the outcome of contests to be decided by the abilities and preparation of our athletes and their teams and not by fans affecting the other team through negative comments, noise, or actions. At all times we want our Bobcats to demonstrate and model participation with class. JEERING is strongly deterred and against our rules thus we will continue to address these situations and work to squelch such behavior as it is unbecoming and goes against the purpose and goals of high school athletics.

Parents and guardians, though our cell phone policy is one where students are allowed to have their phones during the day with each teacher administering cell phone rules/policies specific to their classroom, we need your help. We have had a major problem with students texting their parents/guardians to go home during the school day

for whatever reason. Students should not be going home except for excused reasons such as illness, medical or dental appointments, or bereavement purposes. For illness situations, students need to go to the school nurse, Ms. Seymour, and she will decide whether the student should go home. At that time, the parent/guardian would be contacted by our nurse to arrange a ride home. Additionally, please refrain from texting students during the school day. Students are in classes most all day and should be focused on their learning and doing schoolwork rather than their cell phones.

Finally, with the everchanging world of technology, we now have Artificial Intelligence (AI) that can generate written word, spoken word, and even visual images and video. There are many AI programs that are being used by students to write essays or do their schoolwork. The problem with use of AI is that it is not our students' thoughts, ideas, or learned information but that of a computer. Anything generated by AI is a substitute to what our students have learned or know. It is cheating and an obstacle for us as educators in determining what our students have learned and what are their true abilities. Our students do not seem to see the use of AI as cheating but rather an easy way to complete their work. In the future we as a district will be developing policies specific to AI. However, for now, please discuss the inappropriateness of using AI for schoolwork and that it is viewed as cheating.

As spring is upon us, we will need your support to monitor and push your child(ren) to keep working hard. Please positively support our athletes. Please refrain from texting your son and/or daughter during the school day. Also, please speak to your son and/or daughter about AI.

The end of the school year is near, and we want all students to finish strong. State Assessments will be occurring now through June. Regents Exams may be a requirement for graduation thus students need to take them seriously. AP Exams occur in May and with good outcomes can lead to students earning college credit. With good attendance and good effort our students will be well prepared for their state assessments.

*William Zakrajsek*

Jr.-Sr. High School Principal





## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

### Lisa Materazzo



Lisa Materazzo, a distinguished alumna of Bainbridge-Guilford High School, has carved a remarkable path to success in the automotive industry, embodying the school's values. Graduating in 1986, Lisa's journey from a small town in New York to the global stage of automotive leadership is a testament

to the power of education and unwavering passion.

During her time at Bainbridge-Guilford High School, Lisa was a dedicated student and active participant in extracurricular activities. She played basketball, softball, and was in the marching band/color guard. B-G ties run deep as her brothers Lou and Larry Materazzo and nieces Miranda Materazzo and Shayla Baldwin-Hart are also alumni.

Currently Lisa is married to Brent Craig and they share their life with an Australian Shepherd named Enzo.

After high school, Lisa pursued higher education at Binghamton University, earning both a BS and MBA. She began her career in finance as an investment broker before transitioning to Toyota in 1998 as a product planner. During her 20+ years with Toyota, she held various leadership roles, including overseeing Marketing for Scion, Lexus, and Toyota divisions. In September 2023, Lisa joined Ford as Global Chief Marketing Officer, continuing her legacy of driving innovation and success in the automotive industry.

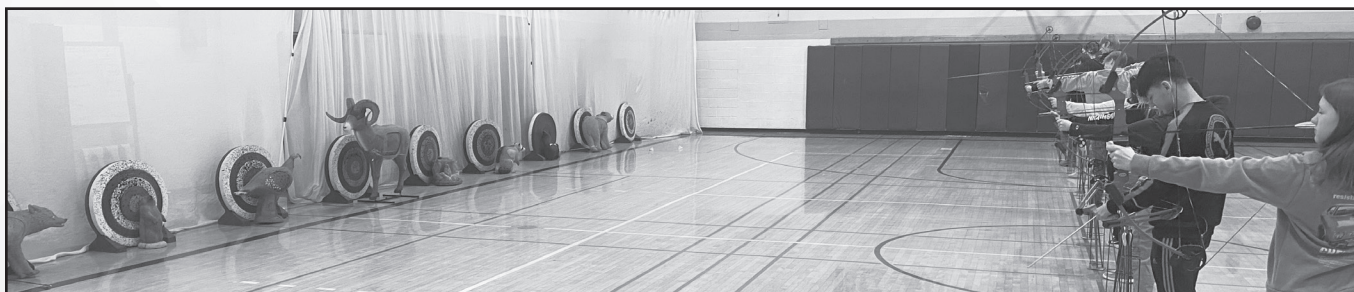
Lisa's hobbies and interest reflect her adventurous spirit and passion for exploration. She has always had a love of cars and motorsports (particularly Formula 1) as well as international travel (having visited approximately 40 countries). Brent is an automotive design engineer, and he and Lisa often combine their interests of cars and travel to see Formula 1 destinations and explore nearby cities and countries. Lisa has visited over 40 countries and although Italy is her current favorite to return to, she has fond memories of bungee jumping in New Zealand and surreal wildlife sightings on safari in South Africa.

Also fitness enthusiast, Lisa Materazzo finds solace in her Peloton workouts, led by her favorite instructor, Robin Arzon. Boating, watersports and snow skiing all contribute to her well-rounded lifestyle and passion for new experiences.

Reflecting on her high school memories, Lisa fondly recalls the camaraderie of marching band and the shared experiences that made Bainbridge-Guilford a powerhouse in her eyes. Fun bus trips, hot black wool uniforms in the summer, and the dominance of the Blues all hold a special place in her heart.

Offering advice to today's students, Lisa says "Make plans, both career and personal, but always be open to changing them. Often the opportunities that lead to the greatest happiness and success are completely unexpected."

## Physical Education Class



*The past few weeks the students have been participating in Archery during P.E. class. Recently the IPO 3D targets were used and the students had a blast shooting the 8 animals targets in Mr. Cirigliano's class they he has set up.*

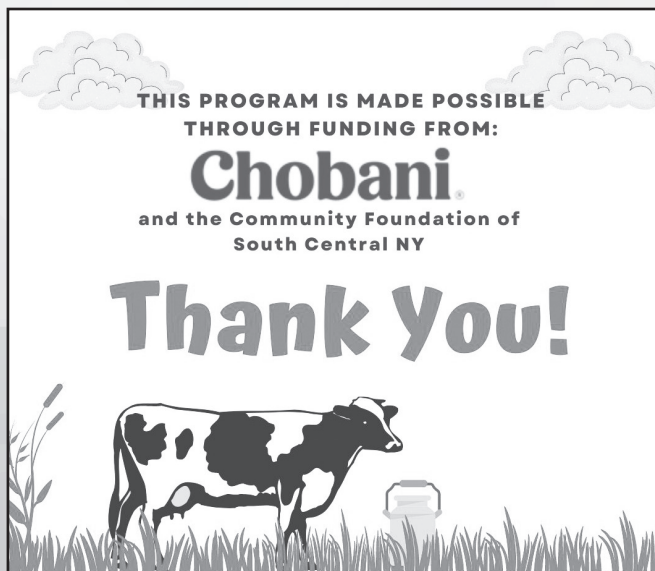


## Agriculture, Ag Literacy, and FFA

The past few months have been busy for the ag room at B-G. Students in Dairy Science, Introduction to Agriculture and FFA/Ag Club have been planting seeds, making cheese, preparing pizza, preparing for Dairy Day and Children's Day at the Canoe Regatta. FFA members attended their first ever Winter Weekend Leadership trip to Oswegatchie Educational Center with Afton FFA and had a great time snowshoeing, participating in a night hike and learning more about being a leader when your perspectives and personalities are different.

Currently, Introduction to Agriculture has moved on to their ag mechanics unit and are currently building a lift with hydraulics. They are still working hard tending to the grow tower and mini hydroponic system to ensure we will have flowers and vegetable plants in the spring to bring to the community garden. Students in Dairy Science are continuing to learn more about dairy food science, product labeling and marketing and milk testing. FFA and Ag Club had a successful strawberry fundraiser and completed over 40 hours of volunteer week while reading to students in Greenlawn for Ag Literacy Week. They are now looking forward to preparing for the busy season ahead where delegates will serve as representatives of the Bainbridge-Guilford FFA chapter at state convention in BuFFAlo, NY.

As for B-G's Ag in the Classroom, Guilford enjoyed a sweet field trip to DCMO BOCES Harrold Campus where they explored the sugarbush and learned about the process of making maple syrup. Conservation students worked on developing the tour and did a great job hosting all the students from Guilford (for some it was their first time on a bus). Guilford student's tasted maple fluff and syrup, took a seat in the bulldozer, learned about reverse osmosis, and how much work it takes to collect sap from a tree and turn it into syrup. Each class then went home with maple syrup for their classroom. Greenlawn students enjoyed learning about the lifecycle of a strawberry plant after FFA and high school ag. students read them the story I LOVE Strawberries by Shannon Anderson. After learning about the life cycle, students enjoyed a sweet reward, strawberries! Additionally, students learned about dairy farms, from a virtual visit to Schafer Farm hosted by a past BG Ag and FFA President, Autumn Madugno. After their visit students created their own smoothies and dip using Chobani yogurt. In the month of April, students will be exploring composting and red wiggler worms with some classrooms receiving their own compost bins! A special thank you to Chobani and the Community Foundation for South Central NY for helping make this possible.









## Second Quarter Honor Roll

### 12th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Brianna Bartow  
Lindsey Chambers  
Gabriella Cuozzo  
Ethne Degan  
Collin Dicks  
Madalynn Gaias  
Sakeena Meghani  
Easton Porter  
Sage Pruskowski

#### High Honor Roll

Madalyn Brown  
Macaela Burns  
Cohn Foster  
Levi Gregory  
Noah Janinda  
Giovanni Johnson  
Theron Kiesinger  
Kevin Lang  
Alaina Maxson  
Lukas McKown  
Nickolas McKown  
Cadence Medlar  
Makayla Nelson  
Julian Pruskowski  
Lyndsay Shirkey

#### Honor Roll

Annika Armstrong  
Maddie Blake  
Olivia Briggs  
Jacob Butts  
Joslynn Clark  
Brendan DeForest  
Joseph Doyle  
Alyssa Finch  
Richard Franklin  
Gavin Gifford  
Nathan Goodrich  
Sophia Grigoli  
Johnna Henderson  
James Hogroian  
Faith Huestis  
Collin Hurlburt  
Isabelle Johnson  
Nathan Kanzer  
James Leo  
Sierra McCarthy  
Osias Mealing  
Olivia Nichols  
Adriana Petrutoni  
Kassidy Platt  
George Pratt

Damon Seymour  
Arien Sherman  
Cooper Sienko  
Arashdeep Singh

### 11th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Chandler Benjamin  
Vanessa Brazee  
Ellie Brown  
Samuel Davidson  
Owen Fleming  
Olivia Hall

Declyn Marshfield  
Rahim Meghani  
Madisyn Oakes  
Brock Porter  
Clare Sullivan

#### High Honor Roll

Loegan Barnard  
Zachary Bartow  
Emma Beames  
Connor Borowski  
Zane Bowers  
Kaydence Brimmer  
Brandon Campbell  
Gabriel Fratus  
Jamila George  
Corbin Germond  
Anthony Graham  
Shu-Hsuan Hsu  
Jayden Ingham  
Violet Jones  
Blaise Loya  
Franchesca Meres  
Brooklynn Middleton

#### Honor Roll

Anthony Pfaff  
Enoch Ross  
Anna Seymour  
Kaiden Seymour  
Erinne Sullivan  
Blake Tuttel  
Aiden Vermilyea  
Gabriel Weissflog  
Nevan Baker  
Landon Benham  
Ryan Blackman  
Elliott Briggs  
Juelian Fairchild  
Austin Felzak  
Jocelynn Hulbert  
Emily Kingsbury  
Timothy Kinter

### Eric Liles

Michael Lipani  
Jesse Lockwood

Jacob Lyle

Abigail Mason

Mia Pfaff

Layla Price

Blake Prisco

Zachery Reynolds

Dominik Rickard

Stephanie Sanford-Holmes

Hailey Soules

Emily Sprow

Gabriel Walley

Jaedan Walling

### 10th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Ryan Larsen

Albert Leo IV

Hannah Shackelton

Matthew Wombacker

#### High Honor Roll

Elijah Aponte  
Lincoln Benjamin  
Parker Buttice  
Mason Craver  
Shaylyn Fitzgerald  
Aidan Haynes  
Brian Lynn  
Christopher Moyer  
Madisyn Peck  
Adrian Ramirez  
Anna Scheuerman  
Peyton Umbra

#### Honor Roll

Jessica Addorisio  
Jenna Cartelli  
Breanna Casey  
Alyssa Castle  
Trey Champlin  
Kaylynn Crandall  
Gavin Dicks  
Tyler Engel  
Dalton Fernette  
Carly Finch  
Kaylin Furgason  
Abigail Harrington  
Emalyn Harrington  
Jayslin Henderson  
Olivir Hilt  
Dominick Johnson  
Emily Kanzer  
Warren Kiesinger

### Cyrus Megale

Kassidy Middleton

Johnathan Monuszko

Taylor Palmer

Danica Park

Morgan Prisco

Sejasity Sherman

Aubrey Surplus

Brayden Swartwout

Braiden Youngblood

### 9th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Davis Barnard

Rowan Beasinger

Bradley Bolster

Alessandra Cafasso

Jack Cannistra

Troy Cannistra

Cole Fleming

Elodie Hall

Aiden Lockwood

Zoe Payne

Victoria Suda

Makenna Wehrli

Ruth Wilson

#### High Honor Roll

Kate Baciуска  
Charles Buccino  
Christian Campbell  
Aiden Duvall  
Jaidyn Evans  
Vincent Fisherman  
Brooklinn Hall  
Harpo Hardt  
Emma Kinter  
Merren Lorimer

Hailey Maye

Roxanne Megale

Keegan Milk

Sawyer Nichols

Benjamin Porter

Aubrey Schinn

Akai Sherman

Elanor Sprow

Leyah Thomas

Laila Williams

#### Honor Roll

Madeline Aсталos  
Remington Barkman  
Amelia Beam  
Ethan Beardslee  
Peter Blance  
Lucas Button



Treytin Clark  
 Tyler DeForest  
 Leigh Fitzgerald  
 Levi Fletcher  
 Nolan Foster  
 Aayden Ireland  
 Layne MacDermott  
 Makayla McCloud  
 Kassie Monroe  
 Railey Odell  
 Camrin Santiago  
 Bradyn Terebo  
 Emmah Towndrow

### 8th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Keelan Ammon  
 Lelaenia Baldwin  
 Madalynn Beardslee  
 Owen Degan  
 Marissa Mayo  
 Drew Sullivan  
 High Honor Roll  
 Mason Brown  
 Micah Casey  
 Daisy Crisell  
 Bailey Donnelly  
 Abbagayle Fitzgerald  
 Ethan Germond  
 Abigail Hill  
 Madeleine Ingham  
 Andrew Ireland  
 Carleigh Judd  
 Caleb Larsen  
 Beckett Longwell  
 Emely Lopez  
 Theo Loya  
 Ethan Morris  
 Grady Park  
 Frank Parsons  
 Brysen Reif  
 Ariya Toth  
 Alison Vermilyea

#### Honor Roll

Mason Acquisto  
 April Conway  
 Emily Cooper  
 Gaberiel Dasilva  
 My'Kel George  
 Owen Hulbert  
 Johnathan Leizear  
 Ashley Madugno  
 Isabella Mathewson  
 Hudson McGraw  
 Brody Mertz  
 Caydee Monroe

Ariana Nieves  
 John Palmer  
 Kamry Patten  
 Donna Patton  
 Kayla Patton  
 Hunter Scott  
 Brianna Svenson  
 John Winn  
 Vivian Zuefle

### 7th Grade

#### Principal's Honor Roll

Macey LaFever  
 Tyler Murray  
 Madyson Smith  
 Janaya Walker

#### High Honor Roll

Hope Blackman  
 Anthony Cafasso  
 Camren Cuzzo  
 Tabitha Doyle  
 Lucia Hall  
 Piper Hurd  
 Ian Leo  
 Colton Ryan  
 Trenton Smith  
 Solara Spinella  
 Madison Stanton  
 Brayden Wehrli  
 Jacob Weissflog  
 Jalyn Winans  
 Lily Wood  
 Kendall Wygant

#### Honor Roll

Emily Aldrich  
 Milagro Aparicio  
 Genevieve Astrologo  
 Alana Blanchard  
 Christian Burns  
 Natalie Cole  
 Colton Cutting  
 Irellyn Deitch  
 Shweta Fazio  
 Raegan Felzak  
 Bristol Finch  
 Tillie Foster  
 Breegan George  
 Zane Holmes  
 Zane Mumbulo  
 Jaylea Nack  
 Sara Rinker  
 Mason Sherwood  
 Isabel Suda  
 Lindsey Sundal  
 Elsie Wayman

## February Bus Riders of the Month

### GUILFORD

Landon Walling (not pictured)

Graceland Crawn (not pictured)

### GREENLAWN



Emma Decker, Reagan Freeto, Fiona Schriver,  
 Maddison Ryan, Niklaus Dye, Merrick Ireland,  
 Jax Parsons, Xavier Crisell

### HIGH SCHOOL

Olivia Rice (not pictured)

Caleb Larsen





## Team and Relationship Building Day

On Thursday, March 14th the Jr.-Sr. High School students participated in a team- and relationship-building day. The day began with organized activities for grades 7-8 and 9-11. Students were able to choose 3 activities that ranged from sessions cyber-bullying and frisbee golf, to a painting class and learning how to can/preserve food. Seniors also had their own set of activities to choose from. Their sessions were geared toward skills needed post-graduation and included choices of: personal finance, auto-maintenance, basic home repairs, menu planning and meal prep, self-care/prioritizing mental health, and interview/resume skills.

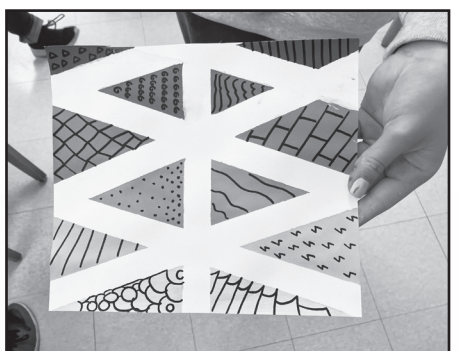
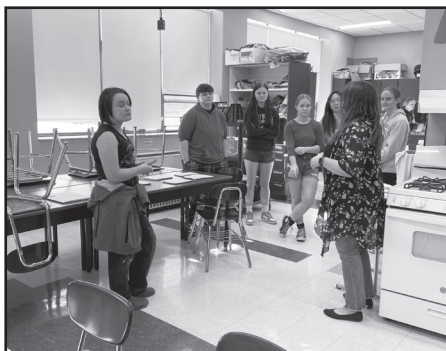
Following their sessions, seniors were invited to a catered lunch at the Bainbridge Community Center. Staff reported

that they had a great time interacting with their students in a new way and students said the day was informational, fun and that it was cool to learn things outside of academics from their teachers.

In the afternoon, all students attended an assembly titled, "Be Your Own Captain" presented by Nick Tokman from the award-winning TV show, *Deadliest Catch*. Nick talked to students about going after what they want in life. He used his personal journey to encourage students to allow their setbacks and struggles be their steppingstones to success rather than allowing those things to knock them off their path. It was a great day had by all!

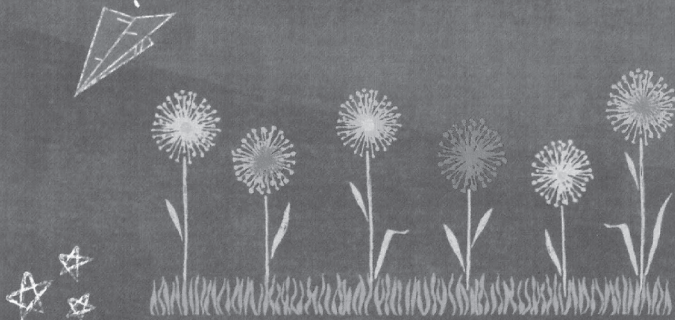








# GREENLAWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR PROGRAM



## INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

Each student 2nd -6th Grade has access to the School Counselor whether it falls under mandated or un-mandated counseling

## GROUP COUNSELING

Each student 2nd -6th Grade has access to a needs assessment that determines the appropriateness for a student to join a Grade level Counseling group with parent consent

## CRISIS AND GRIEF COUNSELING

Each student 2nd -6th Grade has access to Crisis and Grief Counseling through the School Counselor or a Certified Grief Counselor and/or can be referred to Chenango County Behavioral Health Services on a case-by-case basis

## EVIDENCE BASED DATA

To ensure effective best practices, the school counseling program utilizes:

- ✓ ASSESSMENT AND DATA COLLECTION
- ✓ RESEARCH OF EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES
- ✓ EVIDENCE-BASED ELECTION OF INTERVENTIONS
- ✓ DATA MONITORING AND EVALUATION
- ✓ ADJUSTMENT AND IMPROVEMENT
- ✓ SCHOOL COUNSELOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ CONTINUAL COLLABORATION AND COMMUNICATION WITH FACULTY, STAFF, STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND STAKEHOLDERS.

## SEL CLASSROOM LESSONS

Each student 2nd -6th Grade has weekly SEL Lessons factored into their schedule, where students are taught:

- ✓ SKILLS FOR LEARNING
- ✓ EMPATHY AND RESPECT
- ✓ EMOTIONAL REGULATION
- ✓ PROBLEM SOLVING
- ✓ COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS
- ✓ ERIN'S LAW : NYS LAW

43 Greenlawn Ave, Bainbridge, NY 13733

• Created and Implemented by: Ashley Johnson, M.S.S.C. • Greenlawn Elementary School Counselor •



## Art and Music Enrichment at Greenlawn

Our 2nd and 3rd grade students learned about maracas in Music Enrichment. They assembled and decorated their own maracas, then played them all together as a class!

In Art Enrichment, 5th and 6th graders have worked on several collaborative murals. We have painted multiple areas in the Art room, as well as the hallway and the main office at Greenlawn. It has been really amazing to see students work together to do their part in a collaborative project that also makes the school more colorful and fun! Several 4th grade students helped with the mural, as well as participated in the following enrichment activities: origami, knitting, and sewing.





# SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS

## **School bus transportation is safe.**

In fact, buses are safer than cars! Even so, last year, approximately 26 students were killed and another 9,000 were injured in incidents involving school buses. More often than not, these deaths and injuries didn't occur in a crash, but as the pupils were entering and exiting the bus.



**STAY AWAY** from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.

**HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO WAIT** for your bus, away from traffic and the street.

**KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE** between you and the bus. Also, remember that the bus driver can see you best when you are back away from the bus.

**BE AWARE** of the street traffic around you. Drivers are required to follow certain rules of the road concerning school buses, however, not all do.

**WHEN BEING DROPPED OFF,** exit the bus and walk ten giant steps away from the bus.

**USE THE HANDRAIL** to enter and exit the bus.

## ***PROTECT YOURSELF AND WATCH OUT!***



## Finn and Friends

*On Wednesday February 28, Greenlawn sixth grade students had the opportunity to meet with a friend and classmate who has been out of school for medical reasons. The group had a great time chatting, and exchanging jokes via zoom.*



## Guilford Greetings!

February and March were very busy and exciting months at Guilford Elementary School. During February, we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School and Valentine's Day. Students created many 100<sup>th</sup> day themed activities, participated in random acts of kindness, and celebrated our Guilford friendships. Please check out our Guilford photo gallery on the website to see pictures of these amazing events.

In March, we joined many schools in the nation and celebrated "Read Across America". Our Guilford teaching staff performed an enacting of the book "Swimmy" by Leo Leoni. Students enjoyed these performances immensely and thought it was so fun to see their teachers in costume and acting in character. Students spent the month learning about Leo Leoni and participated in many events and a culminating guessing contest with book giveaways. Guest readers were invited into classrooms to read to students and classes. We had over 30 guest readers participating this year!

We also had a very special performance by six of our first-grade students who work with Ms. Gonzalez. The play was "The Little Red Hen" and after the performance, the actors and actresses celebrated with their families with refreshments in the library. The students were very proud of their production.

Guilford was also fortunate enough to be on the Easter Bunny's path this year. The Easter bunny visited the Guilford Elementary School the last day before break. She made a guest appearance at our March PAWS assembly and then spent some time in the library reading library books. Classes came to visit her for photo shoots and each student received a special fun-filled egg.

During March, the entire study body went to the DCMO BOCES Harold campus for a field trip. They learned all about Maple Syrup and the process of making it. Classes have been making special snacks with their buddy classes using the maple syrup samples each classroom received at the field trip.

After Spring break, we are hoping for warmer weather so teachers can take students outside to work on our pollinator garden and enjoy lots of outdoor learning. Students and staff are anxious to tend to our garden and watch all the spring shoots appear. If you happen to come to the Guilford school, please notice all their hard work on our front flower beds.

—Linda Maynard, Principal  
Guilford Elementary School



# Our Bobkittens at Guilford Elementary Have Been Working Hard with Practicing Kindness, Counting, Discovering, and Learning!

## FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS:

*The 100<sup>th</sup> day of school arrived with much fanfare and celebration complete with a Counting Activities, cake, the appearance of 100 year olds, and our very own Number Wizard to help us count!*



Guilford Bobkittens celebrate 100 Days of being smarter!



*Counting out 100 pieces of cereal and making into necklaces*

**100 year olds show up to school on 100<sup>th</sup> day!**





*LEAPING into Leap day with joy!*



**Garden Discoveries**

*Students dug, pulled, dumped, and searched for treasures in the dirt!*



**Spinning into Springlike weather!**

**KIND**

*February is a month of many themes! Bobkitten Counseling Activities focused on Kindness for Random Acts of Kindness (RAOK) Week along with a spirit week and a read aloud.*

*Our own special guest reader, Mrs. Jennings, read, "Will You Be the I Kind?" by Julia Cook in every classroom. She also generously (and Kindly) donated a book to each classroom with some follow up activities, not to mention creating a gorgeous "KIND" wall for kids! Thank you, Mrs. Jennings!*

*1<sup>st</sup> grade students also learned about giving and receiving compliments, and created their own "Complimentens" which they presented to their kindergarten buddies.*





### Spirit Week: "Be The Rainbow in Someone's Cloud"



### In My Heart lesson with the Counselor

*Students listened to a story about emotions and showed their emotions in their heart!*



### The National Humane Education Society

*The National Humane Education Society visited Guilford Elementary School with the star of the show, "Chewy", a curly haired Labradoodle.*

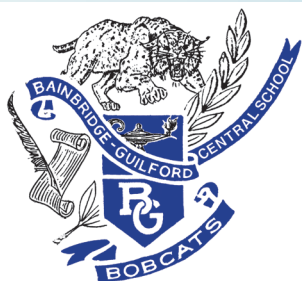
*We learned about being KIND, RESPONSIBLE, and SAFE, with animals!  
Chewy was enjoying all the special love (SAFELY) with his new Bobkitten friends!*



# Greenlawn Winter Ball







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## 100 Days Brighter

Third Graders are 100 days brighter! To celebrate the 100th day of school, students in Ms. Carlin and Mrs. Buttice's classes came together to have a glow day! They were able to complete centers in both ELA and Math to practice skills they have learned throughout the year. Students were so excited to complete each activity in the glow of the classroom. They even got to play glow games and completed their look with glasses, beaded necklaces and glow-in-the-dark tattoos! Thank you to our PTO for donating the black lights and other fun supplies. We had a great day!

