West Road School's April 2019 Parent Newsletter

Grade 3 - 8 ELA and Math Tests

Our 3rd through 5th grade students will be taking the New York State Exams during April and May.

ELA exam: April 2 and April 3   Make-ups will be held April 4 - 9
Math exam: May 1 and May 2   Make-ups will be held May 3, 6 - 8

Testing will occur for the entire building from 9:15 to 11:30. Please be sure to be on time to begin exams with your class. Please encourage your child to not worry about test results. The results are to help teachers plan for your child's future instruction. It would help them to get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast, which we hope students get each day! These tests may have some difficult questions and the results will not impact their grades. All we ask is for the children to try their best.

Calendar Updates

April's Spirit Day - The West Road School Spirit Day will be held **Thursday April 11th.** It will be "PJ Day". This is to make it easy on our families since Traver Road School will be doing Pajama Day for their Book Fair.

Spring Recess – School will not be in session from **April 15th to Monday, April 22nd.** Students will return on **Tuesday, April 23rd.**

Return Snow Days - Due to the mild winter, we have only used three emergency snow dates. As a result, <u>if we do not use all of our five scheduled days, school might not be in session</u> on the following days:

Friday, April 26th   Tuesday, May 28th

These dates are listed on the 2018-2019 school year calendar. Please understand the schedule might change if school is closed due to inclement weather.

Art Fair

The Arlington Central School District Annual Art Fair will be held **Sat. April 6th from 11 to 4 PM** at LaGrange Middle School. The snow date is April 7th. Many of our students' art projects will be on display as well as K-12 student and faculty exhibits. There will be hands on workshops on origami, button making and sand art, as well as, music ensembles playing.

AEF – 5K Run/Walk & Kids Fun Run

The Arlington Education Foundation 5K Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run will be held at Arlington High School on **Sat. April 27th.** Race day registration starts at 7:30 a.m. The 5K will be held at 9 AM. Race day fees are $30 for the 5K, $10 for the Kids Run. Discounts are available if preregistered by **April 16th** at AEFNY.org.   This is a passport event. Also new for 2019: Wellness Expo from 4:30-6:30 on **Fri. April 26th** during preregistration packet pick-up.

Budget 2019 - 2020

On **Tuesday, April 30th** at 10:30 AM, Dr. Lyons, the district superintendent, will be doing a budget presentation at a Pleasant Valley PTA meeting to be held at Traver Road School. If you are unable to make this meeting, budget information will be available on the District's website: www.arlingtonschools.org.

Yearbook Cover Contest

The theme 'Let's Be Epic' inspired wonderful art work. The yearbook will again include both Traver Road and West Road Schools. This year's winners are: Front Cover - Dalmazio Chavez; back cover runner-ups - Chloe Barlow-Mercado, Yaeli Cruz-Santos, Amelia Giorgi and Anastasia Lee. Thank you to everyone for their hard work. Yearbooks can still be purchased until April 26th for $25. You can add personalization for $5 more.

Dutchess County Regional Science Fair

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the MST Science Fair. West Road Intermediate School students, Charlotte Klusko and Priya Kala, were selected to represent Arlington Central School District along with other students at the 60th annual Dutchess County Regional Science Fair which was held on March 30th at Dutchess Community College.

Chess Club

We would like to thank the parents and family members who have volunteered their time to continue our Chess Club. They have just completed the 17th successful year of this organization. Sincere thanks to Mr. Lewis, who has completed his 6th and final year with us, Mr. Amodeo, Mr. Berry, Mrs. Leo and Mrs. Canariato for volunteering their time and energy. This club would not be possible without these volunteers.