Have you heard the buzz?
Welcome to Byron-Bergen Central School’s eNewsletter! Stay in the loop of school news and updates.

High Ropes Gym Class

FFA members attend State Conference
Byron-Bergen FFA members attended the State Conference on May 2 and 3. While there, they met New York State Agriculture and Markets Commissioner Richard Ball, attended a Chris Lane concert, volunteered for the FFA Day of Service, and Rachel Best addressed the convention as the Chairperson of the Program and Activities Committee.

Genesee Country Museum
These kindergarteners took a step back in time to a bustling 19th-century village where they learned how people lived 150 years ago!
Haven’t Scene It Until Now
On Friday, May 3, 2019, the Byron-Bergen Drama Club premiered original scenes written, directed, and acted by the members of Drama Club. The performance, entitled “Haven’t Scene It Until Now,” features one hour of original material. The students not only wrote their own scripts, but they also cast and directed each scene for a totally student-driven production. To prepare for the performance, students engaged in acting, directing, and writing workshops to develop their skills.

Building Bridges
The Technology 8 students designed, built, and tested balsa wood bridges. Weights were added to the bridges until cracking could be heard. Some teams decided to continue to add weight until the bridge collapsed. The students used the data collected from the experiment to complete a performance assessment on their design.

Pie Face
These students are studying for their math assessment exam by playing Pie Face—yum!
U.S. History class Civil Rights guest speaker

Byron-Bergen substitute teacher Sonya Catalino visited Donna McJury's 11th grade U.S. History class to speak about the experiences of her and her family as African Americans living in the south during the Civil Rights Movement. Catalino discussed how her family dealt with issues including segregation.

"By sharing my personal experiences with the students, they are learning differently than by reading a history book," said Catalino. "My goal is for them to gain an interest in diverse cultures and an understanding that even if we don't look the same or share the same experiences, it is a part of all of us - it is our history."

"Mrs. Catalino is an inspiration to all through her resolve and willingness to share her life stories and the kindness she shows to others," said McJury.

New York Times Best-Selling Author visits Elementary School

On Tuesday, May 14, New York Times best-selling author Peter Lerangis visited the Elementary School. His visit included an immensely entertaining presentation to the students, a book signing, and a special lunch with the sixth grade PageTurners team.

In encouraging the students to follow their dreams, Lerangis said, "When someone tries to do anything for the first time, they're going to be bad. You have to be brave enough to be bad. Being bad is the first step to being good."

END OF YEAR CALENDAR UPDATE:

Monday, June 24 and Tuesday, June 25 are now half-days. Dismissal will be at 11:30 a.m. There will be no lunch served these days.

There will be no school for students on Wednesday, June 26.

June 25 is the last day of school for the 2018-19 academic year.

*These changes apply only to Elementary School students. Please contact (585)494-1220 ex. 1391 with any questions.
Congratulations to the Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Quarter

Every quarter, the Byron-Bergen Faculty Association nominates students and votes for the Students of the Quarter, one for each grade level. These students exemplify the Byron-Bergen core values. Congratulations to this quarter’s recipients.

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First Annual
STEAM DAY
Tuesday, May 21, 2019  6 - 7:30 p.m.
Byron-Bergen Elementary School

Science Fair   Robot Basketball and Golf
Virtual Reality Field Trips   Art Show   Math Games

Next week!