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# E-NEWS



Remember: the PAT is now the BFF!

Oct. 4, 2019

## Next Week at BFS

**Mon. Oct. 7** 6pm FAFSA Workshop for Senior Families with Mark Kantrowitz, expert extraordinaire on paying for college (Lawrence Street) | 6:30pm BFF Class Parent Orientation (Pearl Street)

**Tues. Oct. 8** Kindergarten Field Trip to Prospect Park

**Wed. Oct. 9** *Yom Kippur; School Closed*

**Thurs. Oct. 10** 6pm **MS Curriculum Night for Gr. 5-6**

All events & details online: [brooklynfriends.org/calendar](https://brooklynfriends.org/calendar)



## Three Days in the Life of BFS (captured on social media)

- Every week is shark week in the BFS Library.
- 4th graders record videos in Spanish for their pen pals in Asturias, Spain.
- Middle School Math teachers attend the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference in Boston.
- Upper School artists get up and out to paint *en plein air*.
- 2nd graders build and create in the woodshop.
- 11th grade IB Biology students conduct lab experiments at the DNA Learning Center NYC in City Tech
- Teamwork and creativity are captured in a 5th grade dance class.
- Kindergarten and 3rd grade buddies meet for the first time.
- Preschoolers enjoy a singing session with Tony.
- Seventh graders greet each other in Mandarin.
- Middle School student volunteers help guide families on Curriculum Night.
- Our first Coffee with Crissy takes place with parents new to BFS.
- It's a busy bee classroom in Kindergarten-B.

All these moments – and more – were captured and shared on the BFS Facebook and Instagram through photos and videos, giving our community instant access to the vibrancy of the school and a peek into the lives of our students. We are proud of the work our teachers and students do every day and encourage you to log on and check us out: <https://facebook.com/bfs1867/> and <https://instagram.com/brooklynfriends1867/>

Every week is shark week in the Library...#BFSCommunity #BFSLibrary



**Understanding, Acceptance, and Compassion in Action: BFS in Partnership with our Neighbors at the Brooklyn Autism Center**





Sometimes the building blocks of friendship can be as simple as reading a book together, blowing bubbles, or doing arts and crafts. That's just what has happened for the past four years between BFS 5th graders and students from our neighboring school and **Service Learning** partner, Brooklyn Autism Center. In this edition of THE LIFE, students Abena, Poppy, and Scarlett talk about their one-on-one experiences last year, sharing time and getting to know the BAC students. [Season 4, Episode 2: BAC Buddies](#)

## Advancement Report



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## Quaker News

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### Join Us for a Trio of Events in October

**Oct. 13** Brooklyn Monthly Meeting (BMM) invites all BFS community members to worship with them every Sunday morning. On Sunday, Oct. 13, (11am) BMM extends a special invitation to BFS families. Please [see this letter](#) from the BMM Clerk Joan Malin for more information.

**Oct. 21** All BFS parents/guardians are invited to an evening event **"Raising Children with Integrity: A Presentation and Worship Share on our Testimony of the Year"** scheduled for Monday, Oct. 21, 6:00 - 7:15 pm, in the Pearl Street Meetinghouse.

**Oct. 23** BFS and Brooklyn Monthly Meeting will host their annual **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CELEBRATION OF MOTHER EARTH** on Wed. Oct. 23, 6:00-8:30pm at 110 Schermerhorn Street. This event includes singing, dancing, and dinner honoring Haudenosaunee/Algonquian traditions, wisdom, and knowledge that are vital to today and tomorrow. Please plan to join us.

## CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF STEPHEN WORTMAN





**Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019, 2:30pm at Brooklyn Monthly Meeting, 110 Schermerhorn St.**

Families and colleagues have received an e-mail invitation to the service in celebration of the life of our longtime teacher and friend, Dr. Steve. Students in grades 9 to 12 who knew or were taught by Dr. Steve are especially welcome to attend. [DETAILS HERE](#). Please do not post this information on social media. Thank you.

### **Save the Date: Saturday November 2, 2019**

The 7th Annual BFS Young Womxn\* of Strength Conference will be held at the Upper School with **Dr. Bettina Love** (*pictured*) as the keynote speaker. This year's theme is "**Strength To Be...**" An award-winning author, sought-after speaker and University of Georgia professor, Dr Love will also be facilitating a separate talk for adults. The conference is for young womxn in grades 7-12 and runs from 9am to 3pm with lunch included. Various workshops led by professionals and experts aim to empower young womxn to embrace and value their individual definitions of self.



*\*womxn is an inclusive term for women; the conference is open to cisgender womxn, trans and gender non conforming individuals*

[Click here for registration information](#)

## **School News You Can Use**

### **BFS Seeks LGBTQ-identified Parents to Participate on Panel**

The Enrollment Office is seeking volunteers to represent BFS on the family panel at **LGBTQ Connect** on Wed, Oct. 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. The event will take place at 129

Pierrepont Street in Brooklyn Heights. Please reach out to [Crystal Backus](#), Director of Admissions Outreach if you are interested. [EVENT INVITATION.](#)

## Order Your BFS Directory

BFS does not automatically distribute the annual **Student & Family Directory**. Families and colleagues need to place an order for a PDF or a printed copy. The Directory is published as a service to families; respect and confidentiality for the content must be maintained. Thank you. [ORDER FORM FOR DIRECTORY](#)

## Sports Section



Yamila McLaughlin / So.  
Girls Varsity Volleyball



Maya Evans & Ava Carter/ Fr.  
Girls Varsity Soccer



Girls JV Volleyball  
Team

### Let's Hear It for the Girls!

- Yamila McLaughlin '22, Maya Evans '23 and Ava Carter '23, and the entire Girls JV Volleyball Team have been named **ATHLETES OF THE MONTH** for September 2019. Read the citation about their accomplishments [HERE.](#)

### This Week in BFS Sports

- Girls Varsity Soccer defeated Berkeley Carroll 1-0
- Girls Varsity Volleyball defeated Elisabeth Irwin 3-0 and Mary McDowell 3-0
- Girls JV Volleyball defeated Elisabeth Irwin 2-1
- Boys Varsity Soccer defeated Mary McDowell 4-0 and Birch Wathen Lenox 7-0
- MS Girls Volleyball defeated Birch Wathen Lenox 2-0
- MS Girls Soccer defeated Avenues 4-0
- MS Boys Soccer defeated Birch Wathen Lenox 3-1

### Coming Soon: Middle School Girls Basketball Clinic with St. Francis College Women's Team

This special event is open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls. It takes place on 11/12/19, 3:30pm-4:45pm, in the BFS Lower Gym. [REGISTER HERE.](#)

For all Athletic Schedules, go to [bfsathletics.org](https://bfsathletics.org)

**Athletics Information Site** - [Click Here](#)

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