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This Week at BFS Week 1

Mon Feb 17 SCHOOL CLOSED/Presidents Day

Tues Feb 18 SCHOOL CLOSED/Professional Day for All Colleagues; students are not permitted in any of the buildings and there will be no school business conducted on this day.

Wed Feb 19 5:00pm Boys Varsity Basketball compete in NYSAIS Tournament (C-Division) vs Berkeley Carroll at Grace Church School (46 Cooper Square, NY) Fri Feb 21 BFF Black History Month Celebration I Last day for PS/LS Conference sign-ups

Sat Feb 22 10-11:30am Harlem Renaissance Multmedia Walking Tour



The Brooklyn Friends School celebration of **Black History Month**, this year commemorating the centennial of the Harlem Renaissance, is this Friday, February 21, at Pearl Street, and continues on Saturday, February 22, with the Harlem Renaissance Multimedia Walking Tour. Presented by Brooklyn Friends and Families, the Friday celebration begins with music, art, and dance workshops from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. This is followed by a global soul food dinner in the cafeteria, then moves on to performances by students and guests in the meetinghouse, and ends with a rousing dance party in the lobby. Everyone's invited. Don't miss this special all-school event. **Get the details.**

- SIGN UP FOR WORKSHOPS
- SIGN UP FOR THE BAKE SALE

SIGN UP FOR THE HARLEM TOUR (discounted fee of \$15)

In addition to the walking tour on Saturday, we are pleased to announce that **every middle school student** will have the opportunity to participate in this Harlem Renaissance Multimedia Tour during the school day on the dates listed below. Parents and family members are invited to attend with their students. Please **sign up here**

8th Grade: Thursday 2/27
7th Grade: Thursday 3/5
6th Grade: Friday 3/6
5th Grade: Thursday 3/12



The 2020 NYC Regional Scholastic Awards recognized seven BFS students with 15 awards for their outstanding creative work in the writing and art categories, including three Gold Keys. Hundreds of thousands of 7th-12th graders participate in the competition annually, and 2,500 achieve national prize recognition at a Carnegie Hall ceremony in June. The Gold Key winners at BFS are **Jackson K**, **Clara H**, and **Dechen C**. Silver Keys and Honorable Mention Certificates were awarded to **Betsy A**, **Claire B**, **Anique E**, and **Evelyn Y**. Congratulations to all our BFS artists and writers.

A Monumental Winter Sports Season – and It's Not Over Yet!

Last week was one for the history books in BFS Athletics. Our Boys Varsity and JV Basketball teams each played championship games on Thursday. Varsity won, 107-91 over York Prep, earning the team the ISAL Championship title and a trip to the *New York State championship tournament* this Wednesday, Feb. 19. The JV team, outstanding all season, played a close game and yielded to Leman Prep 47-42.

At the Varsity semi-final home game on Feb. 11, senior **Finn S** scored his 1,000th Point and Coach **Will Modeste** had his last home game (marking 15 years coaching at BFS). The Panthers were pleased to host Churchill junior Kobe R, who scored his 1,000th Point on the final basket of the game.

Success also came to the Varsity Swim team in their league's championship meet. The Girls team won a gold medal for the medley relay, with **Loane B** and **Avery L** earning silver medals in freestyle. Also this week, senior athletes **Libby S**, **Fadila S**, **Lizzy G**, **and Nicole A** were recognized for their contributions to basketball and the athletic program.









Advancement Report



If you didn't get a chance to view this <u>special video message</u> from our students and colleagues please <u>click here.</u> Thank you to all our BFS families, friends, colleagues, and alumni who show their love to Brooklyn Friends every day. If you've already made your gift,

thank you for being our Valentine.

Click here to make BFS your Valentine ♥



Join us at our 375 Pearl Street home on the **evening of Friday, May 1st** for our *Brooklyn Friends Forever Young Prom,* a fun and festive fête for all grown ups in our community. By hosting this celebration in our home at 375 Pearl Street, we are able to make this evening accessible to more of our friends and families with tickets for \$95 each.

Sponsor the Prom Today!

Early generous sponsorship of the celebration is vital for us to reach our fundraising goal and allow us to invite colleagues to attend free of charge. All sponsors receive two tickets to Prom, the benefit of a tax-deductible contribution to BFS, and those sponsors who wish will be recognized on the event e-invitation and website as members of the Prom Committee!

Tickets go on sale in March.

School News You Can Use



Spring and Summer – We've Got You Covered!

Thank you to the families who have already registered for BFS Spring Camp for Preschool & Lower School students. Camp Dates are *March 16 - 20.* Check out our <u>Spring Camp</u> <u>Brochure</u> to learn more about the camp's events and activities.

And if Spring comes, can Summer be far behind? See the 2020 *Summer with Friends* Brochure <u>HERE</u> For more detail, click below:

- Summer Camp Brochure
- Summer Arts Brochure
- <u>Summer Arts Internship Brochure</u> (for students currently in Gr. 8-12)

Summer Camp and Summer Arts Dates: June 17 through July 24

Pre & Lower School Parents: Sign Up Now for Conferences

Here is the direct link to the online scheduler for the Feb. 28 and March 6 Parent Conferences: https://ptcfast.com/schools/Brooklyn_Friends_School
The link will be active until Feb. 21, 2020 at 4pm. General information about conferences is HERE. Note: Middle/Upper School conferences are on April 23 and 24 and sign-up is not until April.

Seniors, Save the Date: March 6 for Stomping Ground Photos

The Upper School is excited to announce that it will be partnering with Stomping Ground to host Picture Day at 116 Lawrence on March 6th. Please save the date! More details forthcoming shortly.

Sports Section



Last Week in BFS Sports

- Senior Finn S. scored his 1,000th career point
- Boys Varsity Basketball won the ISAL League Playoff game and the ISAL League Championship.
- Boys JV Basketball won the ISAL League Playoff game.
- MS Boys Basketball played Poly Prep and Friends Seminary.
- MS Girls Basketball had a clinic with the players of the St. Francis College Basketball Team
- Boys & Girls Varsity Swim participated in the Championship Meet at Leman Prep Pool.

For detailed schedules of team practices and games *Click Here*.

For the BFS Athletics Resource Site Click Here

For Weekly Game Highlights Click Here

Guided by the Quaker belief that there is a Divine Light in everyone, Brooklyn Friends School cultivates an intellectually ambitious and diverse community that celebrates each individual's gifts. We challenge our students to value and embrace difference as they develop critical thinking skills and apply their knowledge and intelligence both in and out of the classroom. In this rich learning environment, we inspire all members of our community to voice their convictions, to discover and pursue their passions, and to seek truth. Our graduates are compassionate, curious, and confident global citizens who let their lives speak in the spirit of leadership and service.









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