







Clay Lamberton Elementary

March 2024 News

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Important Dates

- March 1**
Road to Spring Break - Pie in the Face Day
- March 4**
5th Grade Band Demo 9:30am-11:45am
- March 4 - 7**
Bridger Brighter Smiles
- March 5**
1st Grade/Wool Spinning Demo 12:00pm-2:30pm
- March 8**
2nd Grade Honey Bee Presentation 2:00pm - 3:00pm
- March 10**
Daylight Saving Time!
- March 11 & 12**
Bridging Brighter Smiles
- March 19 & 20**
No 4K/EC
- March 20**
Crazy Hair/Wig Day
- March 20**
BASD Board of Education Meeting
- March 21**
Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 21-29**
Spring Break - No School

A Message from the Principal & Assistant Principal

Greetings Clay Families!

In our fast-paced world, where screens often dominate, it's important for caregivers to recognize the profound impact of conversations on their child's language and vocabulary development. Regular, meaningful talks with your little ones are not just bonding moments but powerful tools for shaping cognitive abilities.

Research consistently highlights that children engaging in regular conversations with parents show enhanced language skills and a richer vocabulary. These conversations lay a foundation for academic success and effective communication throughout life.

Quality interaction is key. Encourage open-ended questions to stimulate curiosity and critical thinking. Daily routines like mealtime chats and bedtime stories create opportunities for communication, fostering language development and problem-solving skills.

The benefits extend beyond academics, enhancing social and emotional skills. Children experienced in verbal expression navigate relationships more effectively.

In our tech-filled world, balance screen time with conversations. Every spoken word contributes to your child's linguistic development. Parents hold the key to unlocking their child's potential. So, let's put down devices, engage in conversation, and watch our children's language skills flourish, setting the stage for a lifetime of success.

Kind regards,

Jena Nolan - Principal
Michael Dexheimer - Asst. Principal



ABC




CHILD DEVELOPMENT DAYS & 4K REGISTRATION



Tuesday, March 19
12:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 20
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

 (920) 361-2442

 www.berlin.k12.wi.us



Join us for Child Development Days & 4K Registration!

The Berlin Area School District is hosting a free screening event at Berlin Clay Lamberton Elementary School for preschool-aged children (2.5 - 5 years old) and children entering 4-year-old kindergarten (4K).

- Meet the 4K teachers
- Access resources for your children
- Vision and hearing screening
- Individual child development screening
- Developmental progress conference

4-Year Old Kindergarten

Children who will be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2024, are eligible to attend the Berlin Area School District 4-year-old kindergarten program in the fall of 2024! Both full-day and AM-only classes are offered.

Questions? (920) 361-2442

We cannot wait to meet your future cougar!

Sign Up My Child



SPRING BREAK

NO SCHOOL

**Thursday, March 21 -
Friday, March 29**

Enjoy your vacation!

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, March 21
10am - 7pm

Bridging Brighter Smiles is Coming to Clay!

March 4-7 and 11-12

Sign up your child to get his/her teeth cleaned during the school day! All students are welcome!

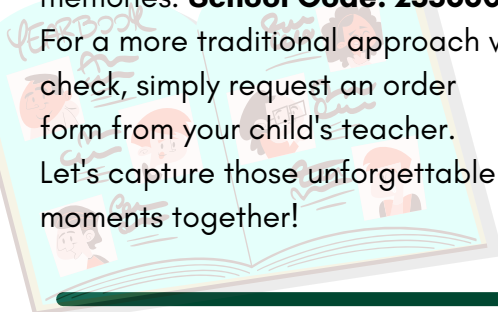


Yearbooks are on Sale!

Don't Miss Out - Order Your Yearbook Today!

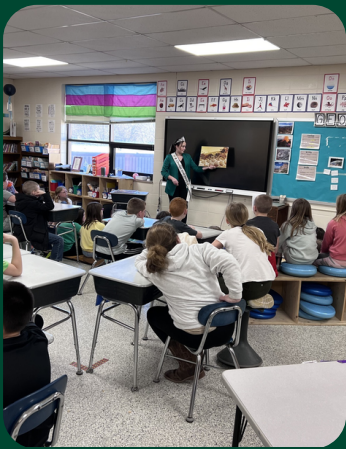
Order online by March 20 to secure your memories. **School Code: 233660M. Only \$15!**

For a more traditional approach with cash or check, simply request an order form from your child's teacher. Let's capture those unforgettable moments together!



Added a "Splash of Color" to our Classrooms!

"Color Day" is in celebration of the road to Spring Break!



Bzzz... What are we learning?

4th graders are fortunate enough to learn about honey bees from 2024 American Honey Princesses.

Did you know

- A pound of honey is made by 2 million flower visits.
- The reason bees are so noisy is because they beat their wings 11,400 times in one minute.
- Eating honey makes you smarter! It has an antioxidant that improves brain functions.



All students had a blast!



@berlinclaylamertonelementaryschool



Student Concert & Family Night was a Success!

Thank you all who attended to make this a memorable night. It was exciting to watch the children perform and interact with their families and loved ones.



BHS Band & Choir Concert & Spaghetti Supper

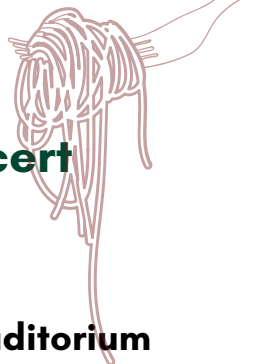
Tuesday, March 12

Berlin High School Commons & Auditorium

Spaghetti Supper: 4:30pm - 6:30pm

(Purchase ticket from BHS office or at the door)

Band and Choir Concert: 6:30pm Start | FREE Admission



Read across America

March

4

Cozy Up and Read-
Come to school in your pajamas!

MON

March

5

Read to a Buddy-
Bring a stuffy to school. It must be small enough to fit in your backpack.

TUES

March

6

Wacky Wednesday-
Dress as wacky as you want. Anything from mismatched socks to crazy hair!

WED

March

7

Reading Makes us Bright-
Wear sunglasses and/or a hat to school.

THUR

March

8

Wearable Words-
Wear clothes with school appropriate words on them..

FRI

Next week, Clay Lamberton will be celebrating "Read Across America!" We invite your child to engage in these enjoyable activities throughout the week.

Importance of Reading?
Reading is crucial as it nurtures your mind, imparts extensive knowledge, and teaches valuable life lessons. It enhances your comprehension of the world, keeps your mind sharp, and boosts your creativity!



Learning About The Printing Press

Exciting news for the 5th-grade students at Clay Lamberton Elementary! Thanks to the enthusiastic Mr. Comstock, our class delved into the world of Gutenberg's printing press. The students not only had a blast but also discovered fascinating links to our current CKLA unit.





Spreading Kindness, One Knot at a Time



Mrs. Rilling, a dedicated second-grade teacher at Clay Lamberton Elementary School, collaborated with Thrivent Financial Mascoutin Valley Associates to make a meaningful difference!

Mrs. Rilling initiated an Action Team Project, through which Thrivent generously provided funds for the second-grade class to purchase materials to craft cozy fleece tie blankets.

The second graders at Clay Lamberton put their hearts into the project, diligently tying knots and creating nine snuggly blankets.

This initiative aimed to encourage students to empathize and consider the well-being of others. At Clay Lamberton, instilling kindness is always a top priority, and this project served as a practical application of this value. The young students greatly enjoyed participating in this thoughtful endeavor.

The nine beautifully crafted tie blankets were donated to Krista Sobieski, who will include them in her Hearts of Hope baskets, extending comfort to community members facing health challenges.

Mrs. Rilling expresses deep gratitude to Thrivent Financial Mascoutin Valley Associates and Hearts for Hope for their pivotal roles in realizing this impactful project.

 be kind

EXAM!

**Wisconsin Forward Exam
Grades 3 - 5**



Dear Parent/Guardian:

Clay Lamberton students in grades 3-5 will be participating in the Wisconsin Forward Exam during the spring testing window. State exams are required by both State (Wis. Stat. § 118.30) and Federal ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) (Every Student Succeeds Act) Law. Our school is scheduled to take the Wisconsin Forward Exam from Monday, March 18 - Friday, April 26.

The exam measures knowledge and skills all students should have for their grade-level in the area(s) of language arts and math; as well as 4th graders in science and social studies. One or more subtests may be administered daily during a selected time frame. Students not in school on testing days will be scheduled for a make-up test prior to the close of the testing window.

Attached is an Information for Families (English and Spanish) brochure that gives more information. Students' performance on the assessment will not affect their grades, however, please encourage your child to do the best they can. The results of these tests will be used to help school staff make determinations regarding curriculum, placement, and services to best support students.

If students have ear buds/headphones that plug into the computer, they can use those, otherwise, ear buds/headphones will be provided - students are not allowed to use wireless earbuds for state testing. Cell phones and/or smart watches are not allowed in the testing room. Students should leave these at home or can leave them in their lockers during testing.

If you have any questions, please contact Jena Nolan or Sara Markee.

Thank you,
Jena Nolan
Clay Lamberton Principal
920-361-2442

Sara Markee
Director of Instruction
920-361-2441



EXAM!

**Examen avanzado de Wisconsin
Grados 3 - 5**



Estimado Padre / Tutor:

Los estudiantes de Clay Lamberton en los grados 3-5 participarán en el examen Wisconsin Forward durante el período de exámenes de primavera. Los exámenes estatales son requeridos tanto por la ley estatal (Wis. Stat. § 118.30) como por la ley federal ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) (Ley Every Student Succeeds Act). Nuestra escuela está programada para tomar el examen Wisconsin Forward del lunes 18 de marzo al viernes 26 de abril.

El examen mide el conocimiento y las habilidades que todos los estudiantes deben tener para su nivel de grado en las áreas de artes del lenguaje y matemáticas; así como estudiantes de 4to grado en ciencias y estudios sociales. Se pueden administrar una o más subpruebas diariamente durante un período de tiempo seleccionado. A los estudiantes que no estén en la escuela los días de exámenes se les programará un examen de recuperación antes del cierre del período de exámenes.

Adjunto se encuentra un folleto de Información para familias (inglés y español) que brinda más información. El desempeño de los estudiantes en la evaluación no afectará sus calificaciones; sin embargo, anime a su hijo a hacer lo mejor que pueda. Los resultados de estas pruebas se utilizarán para ayudar al personal de la escuela a tomar decisiones sobre el plan de estudios, la ubicación y los servicios para apoyar mejor a los estudiantes.

Si los estudiantes tienen audífonos que se conectan a la computadora, pueden usarlos; de lo contrario, se les proporcionarán audífonos; los estudiantes no pueden usar audífonos inalámbricos para los exámenes estatales. No se permiten teléfonos móviles y/o relojes inteligentes en la sala de pruebas. Los estudiantes deben dejarlos en casa o pueden dejarlos en sus casilleros durante el examen.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con Jena Nolan o Sara Markee.

Gracias,

Jena Nolan

Clay Lamberton Directora Principal
920-361-2442

Sara Markee

De Instrucción
920-361-2441



Berlin Area School District | 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

JULY 2023						
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1 - 2 No School - Winter Break
 12 End of First Semester
 15 No School - Teacher Work Day

AUGUST 2023						
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15-18 New Teacher Days
 22-24 No School - Staff Development
 28-29 No School - Staff Development
 31 First Day of School

FEBRUARY 2024						
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2 No School - Staff Development
 22 No School - Staff Development
 23 No School

SEPTEMBER 2023						
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4 No School - Labor Day
 29 Homecoming

MARCH 2024						
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21 No School - Parent Teacher Conferences
 22 No School
 25-29 No School - Spring Break

OCTOBER 2023						
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2 No School - Staff Development
 26 No School - Parent Teacher Conferences
 27 No School

APRIL 2024						
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15 No School - Staff Development

NOVEMBER 2023						
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10 No School - Staff Development
 22-24 No School - Thanksgiving

MAY 2024						
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10 No School - Staff Development
 24 Graduation
 27 No School - Memorial Day
 31 Last Day of School

DECEMBER 2023						
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11 No School - Staff Development
 25-29 No School - Winter Break

JUNE 2024						
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