



# Beaver Brook Broadcaster

April 13, 2017

## Message from the Principals- Enjoy April Vacation!

We are so impressed with the hard work and focus that the Grade 4 students have shown throughout the past two weeks. Our first ever online MCAS has been completed (4<sup>th</sup> grade ELA) and we are so happy with the approach these students and staff members took. It was impressive to see the work put in for both practice and live testing.

We'll continue our testing sessions when we return from break (3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA) and will be finishing up all testing by mid-May.

**-Mrs. Zinni & Mr. Hawes**

## Important Dates:

**April 14-23:** April Vacation

**April 28:** Progress Reports go home

**May 1:** School Council (5PM), PTO (7PM)

**May 5:** AEF Fundraiser, 7PM (Emerald Hall)

## Communication:

- Follow BBES on Twitter to see pics and updates from Beaver Brook! (<https://twitter.com/BeaverBrookAPS> ).
- Have a question, concern, or something you'd like us to be aware of? Feel free to reach out via email and we'd be glad to help:  
[catherinezinni@abingtonps.org](mailto:catherinezinni@abingtonps.org) (Principal)  
[jonathanhawes@abingtonps.org](mailto:jonathanhawes@abingtonps.org) (Asst. Principal)
- **Sign up for our Constant Contact email list:** <http://conta.cc/2bf0lbl>

## MCAS Reminders:

**Grade 3 ELA: April 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>      Grade 4 Math: May 9<sup>th</sup> - May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Grade 3 Math: May 16<sup>th</sup> – May 17<sup>th</sup>**

## Beaver Best Focus: Empathy

This month, we'll be highlighting the character trait of empathy throughout our school. Below is a link to an article providing some ways we can offer empathy lessons to our children:

[http://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/seven\\_ways\\_to\\_foster\\_empathy\\_in\\_kids](http://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/seven_ways_to_foster_empathy_in_kids)

## Grade 3 Field Trips:

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms will be visiting the Commonwealth Museum when we return from break. The schedule for these classes is as follows:

**4/26: Room 16 & 17    4/27: Room 18 & 19    4/28: Room 21 & 22**

## Student Behavior Reminders:

Our consistent approach to positively reinforce expected behavior and identify behavior that is unacceptable can be reinforced at home as well. Below are examples of signage displayed here at BBES, which can serve as talking points for you and your child about expectations at school. We appreciate your partnership in continuing academic and character education at home and in the community.

[Expected Behavior for Recess](#)

[Expected Behavior for Lunch](#)

