



Congratulations Mrs. Egloff!



Every week during the school year TCT Federal Credit Union salutes local educators and school employees for their outstanding efforts during the year.

Congratulations to the March 23rd Educator of the Week, Mrs. Janell Egloff, Kindergarten Teacher at Bolton Central School. Mrs. Egloff is always cheerful and positive with all the students. Mrs. Egloff makes certain that Kindergarten is a springboard for bigger and better things while ensuring that time in the classroom is a memorable experience for all students. Congratulations Mrs. Egloff and thank you for all you do!



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# 100 Days Fully In Session!



Each year our Pre- Kindergarten, Kindergarten and 1st Grade students have a great time celebrating the 100th day of school. Lessons usually

include facts about the calendar and lots of ways to make math fun and enjoyable. There was a lot of counting to 100, finding 100 things and also understanding that 100 is a place holder in math.

This year's 100-day celebration was more than learning how to count to 100 or about place holders. The 100th day meant so much more to everyone at Bolton Central School. On the 24th day of February we were able to look back at the past 10 groups of 10 days with gratitude and pride on being able to have all our students and teachers back in the classroom full-time from day one.

There were some bumps in the road. Less than ten individuals tested positive since the beginning

of the school year. The safety practices that were developed in the district's reopening plan served our population well. No classroom or district closures were needed and thankfully no need to pivot to remote instruction. As situations came up, decisions were made only after a phone conversation with the Warren County Public Health Department. That in and of itself has us feeling tremendously fortunate. Teachers, students and administrators moved through the months ready to adjust as needed. Although on any given day the questions far outnumbered

the answers, these times seem to define the statement, "Necessity is the mother of invention."

The inventiveness and ingenuity demonstrated by our Bolton Central School community

has allowed us to continue to strive for academic excellence and remarkable experiences in a supportive community, which will exceed all expectations- even during challenging times.





# **Necessity is the Mother of Invention**

### **Introduction to Occupations Zooms Ahead**



As BCS students enter ninth grade, the entire class takes the Introduction to Occupations course. As part of the curriculum, students are asked to select someone to present their career for the class. During their visits, speakers would describe their jobs



and the tasks needed to succeed in their chosen field and take questions from students. The class is taught by Business/Computer Education teacher Jennifer Carlson and grades 8 – 12 School Counselor, Denise Clark.

With the many pandemic safeguards in place, visitors in classrooms was not an option. Teachers have been adapting and learning the best ways to be resilient. Instead of in-person visits, Zoom meetings were set up. Students were able to continue hearing from guest speakers. This change allowed people who were anywhere to be able to share their



occupations. Geographic distance and scheduling conflicts were now no longer issues. This change allowed Dr. Daniel Perregaux, an emergency room doctor at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center to share his experiences without missing a beat of his daily obligations. Mr. Jon Chi was able to share his experiences as a musician and music producer while remaining on the west coast and Ms. Brenda Reid was able to talk about what it takes to be a counselor.

Alumnae Bianca Braman (Class of 2009), Apiarist and Sarah Calzada (Class of 2015), Aquatic Diver for Identification of Invasive Species, were both able to share their environmentally conscious professions without coming in the building. A portion of the curriculum that we thought may have to be eliminated, ended growing in scope and opportunity!



The best part is anyone can watch some of these inspiring interviews on the BCS District YouTube channel by scanning the QR Code on page three!

### Thanks to Initiative and Technology, Advanced Science Research Students Move Forward

In years past, our Advanced Science Research students head to the University of Albany for the Annual Upstate New York Junior Science and Humanities Symposium. It is among the most prestigious conferences for young scientists to present their original research in a symposium-style format.

This is an opportunity for our students to better understand what to expect when presenting scientific research. Each spring in Albany, NY, young scientists representing high schools from Westchester County to Western New York present the results of original scientific research before 250+ fellow students, teachers, mentors and judges. For most students, these presentations represent the culmination of



a three-year Science Research Program in High School that unites students, teachers and mentors in common research experiences. This program has helped cultivate future scientists from schools in every region of the state.

Having this opportunity for advanced scientific study under these new restrictive circumstances has us feeling very grateful to provide this option to our students.



### Sometimes All It Takes Is A Letter!



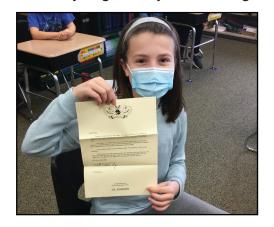




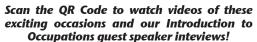
This semester Library Media Specialist Denise Jorgensen had students choose a book, musical or movie they like and write a letter to its creator. Not everyone gets a response. You can imagine our surprise and delight when fifth grade student, Thea Kennedy, received a piece of Royal Mail. It took a minute for Thea to realize who the letter might be from but once she did, Thea and her entire class were excited to hear what the letter said. The letter was from J.K. Rowling herself- the world renowned author of the "Harry Potter" series!

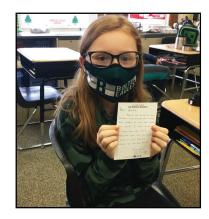
Two months later another exciting envelope arrived! This time for fifth grader Maddy Andersen! The return address was from Lin Manuel Miranda, creator and star of the award winning musical Hamilton! Maddy loves the musical and could hardly contain her excitement on receiving a handwritten note from Lin Manuel Miranda!

It's always a great day to be an eagle but Thea and Maddy know that letters from BCS students can soar too!









### LIVE - From the International Space Station?!

You read that correctly! Bolton Central School pre-kindergarten through third grade students were able to login and watch the first ever Story Time From Space reading live from the International Space Station. Astronaut Shannon Walker read "Willow the Water Bear" by Houston Kidd to students logged in from around the country.

As part of the presentation, students were able to learn more about the Story Time From Space program and the author of the book. Students also heard from other astronauts about their time in space.

What a great opportunity to see an astronaut in space and have so many students share such a unique experience safely!







## To Play or Not To Play...

To play or not to play was the dizzying question on the minds of board members, administrators, athletic directors, coaches, student athletes and families at the end of January. The COVID pandemic prevented the playing of athletics until further notice. Back in March of 2020 all athletics stopped. The Varsity Girls Basketball Team was slated to play in the New York Regionals.

During the fall, student athletes were able to participate in intramural athletics at Bolton Central School but competitions

were not permitted and all the benefits that come with competitive team sports were sorely missed.

A shortened winter season was slated to start on February 1, 2021. On Friday afternoon, January 22nd it was decided that individual New York State County Health Departments would make the decision for their local school districts. Over the span of two weeks Warren County set the parameters under which districts could or could not play. The first step was to see infection rates below 4% on a rolling seven-day average. Medical plans and participation plans needed to be developed and approved by Boards of Education. The whirlwind of planning everything from scratch was monumental and required multiple agencies to work together in a very short amount of time.

On February 9th the first day of the winter sports season began. No spectators were permitted so districts scrambled through the logistics of live streaming games. Game schedules were also elusive moving targets. Games with teams who needed to quarantine were rescheduled, and alterations in transportation were made on the fly.

Barely a month later, on March 7th, the Fall 2 season began. Field conditions for fall sports were less than ideal in early March, so it was a challenge to secure playing space with dozens of schools vying for field time.

Through it all Bolton Central School student athletes were able to play safely, competitively and consistently. Their ability to do so was thanks to the cumulative efforts of hundreds of people from dozens of agencies working together to ensure that students had the opportunity to safely participate in an activity that yields immediate and lifelong benefits during a time when having a healthy mind and body is more important than ever.











# Recycle and Reuse - Students Build Pallet Chairs



This year, students in Mr. Boire's World of Technology class recently completed a "Pallet Chair Activity." The goal was to design an ergonomically correct chair based on statistical class data. Some of the criteria and constraints for this activity were that the chair has a seat and a back (arms were optional), have no fewer than three legs, the back tilt needed to fall between 70 and 80 degrees and the seat lift under the legs needed to be 10 degrees. The completed chair needed to support a person weighing 200 pounds and must be comfortable to sit in. On the aesthetic side, students were to mimic or interpret a furniture style of a famous architect or designer. The chair was to be made from





two pallets, glue and mechanical fasteners and be completed within three weeks. Having the new technology suite workshop area to work in, the class had a very busy three weeks. From research, numerous sketches and drawings and building a prototype, the students' work culminated with the testing and evaluation of the projects. Through this assignment and additional aspects in World of Technology curriculum, students are provided with opportunities to become engaged in critical thinking as they develop solutions to real world problems while working in a hands on/ minds on laboratory setting.

The best part of having new spaces for students to both work in and show their work in, is that more people can appreciate their efforts. Mr. Graney pointed out that as the younger students passed through our new lobby

area they had lots of questions about the student projects and were very interested!



This "F51 Chair" was created in the style of Walter Gropious.



This "Kangaroo Chair" was created in the style of Pierre Jeanneret.



This "Red Blue Chair" was created in the style of Gerrit Rietveld.



This "Hill House/ Ladder Back Chair" was created in the style of Charles Rennie Mackintosh.



Mr. Hull was eager to test the finished products in a variety of categories including craftmanship, stability and comfort.



### And the Beat Goes On!

What started out as routine inspection by NYS Code Enforcement Official Steve Smith turned out to be a great connection. Mr. Smith noticed a drum set in the Band Room that looked like it had been used for quite a long time. Mr. Smith reached out to Mark Sullivan, our Safety Services Specialist about donating his drum set to the Bolton Central School Music Department. One thing that Mr. Smith told Mr. DeLappa, our Band Director, several times about the drum set is that he was paying it forward. Then as Mr. Smith and Mr. Sullivan left the band room students thanked Mr. Smith and reminded him that, "The Beat Goes On!"

# I AM BOLTON CSD | WILLIAM PERSONS

great.



Name: William Persons

Age: 17

Grade: 12th Grade

### Describe your family.

I live with my Mom and Dad and have two older sisters named Brooke and Siera. At home we have cats, chickens and rabbits.

# What's your favorite thing about school?

I really enjoy working in the lab and shop. I have worked alongside my Dad for as long as I can remember. He taught me skills that I use often in Mr. Boire's class. The toughest project I have ever worked on was getting a balsa wood airplane to fly. It was a brain teaser for the class. I never did get that plane to fly.

The project I enjoyed most was building and testing the CO<sup>2</sup> cars. I was lucky enough to do the project twice, once in 8th grade and again this year. Working on it a second time with more understanding and experience made it a lot more fun and the results the second time were

Do you know what you want to do when you get older?

Next fall I am going to SUNY Adirondack for Business Administration. I want to be able to run a business well, whether it's my family's business or maybe one of my own in the future. I also want to earn a CDL Class B license so I can help my Dad out more in his excavation business.

Who is someone you idolize? I really look up to my Dad. He has taught me so much and I really respect him and all he has done. I admire how hard he works and want to follow in his foot steps.

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William Persons, Class of 2021

# What do you like to do in your spare time?

I just bought a 1981 Chevy K20 truck. I really enjoy working on that. I bought it in Vermont and it was manufactured in Massachusetts. The body is in great shape but the parts are from a variety of other vehicles. I am the third or fourth owner.

# Have you traveled or would you like to?

I have been to Montreal a few times and few places on the east coast. I have trained in karate and through that experience have learned that I would like to see Japan. It looks like a beautiful country.

# I AM BOLTON CSD | PRESLEY HUCK



Name: Presley Huck

Age: 9 3/4
Grade: Fourth Grade

Describe your family.

I live with my Mom and Dad and my little brother Michael.

Do you have a favorite food?

I love Eggo waffles with butter and syrup.

## What's your favorite thing about school?

I love to be with my friends and my cousin. I really like playing kickball with my friends.

# Who is your favorite teacher and/or favorite subject?

My favorite teachers are Mrs. Hens, Mrs. Andersen and Mr. Andrejkovics.

# What do you like about living in your community?

Bolton is a small town and I like knowing so many of the people. I love swimming at the two beaches.

### Do you have a favorite book?

I love watching the series "Stranger Things." Right now, I am reading books in the "Wings of Fire" series by Tui T. Sutherland- I really like them!

# Do you participate in sports or extra curricular activities?

I am really excited to start softball this year. I also like to swim and play basketball.

### What are you excited about?

I am excited to move into our new house because my Dad is going to put in a zipline!

# Do you know what you want to do when you get older?

I want to do something with nature that is dangerous, like a zoologist. Maybe a marine biologist?

### **TEACHER SPOTLIGHT: Cassandra Rosselle**



# **District Role: Elementary Special Education**

Background: I attended The College of Saint Rose in Albany, NY. I grew up in Queensbury and currently live there with my daughter. I love the Adirondacks. It truly is a one of a kind place. My family is scattered between here and New York City. It's nice having them all so close. I enjoy

spending time in the water during the summer months and curled up with a good book in the winter.

**College/Degree/Certificates:** The College of Saint Rose B.S. Childhood Education and Students w/Disabilities M.S. Literacy B-12

Why did you decide on the profession you did?
When I first started college I had no idea I would be a teacher. I spent some time in a classroom helping out and I fell in love with it. I knew I wanted to work with children in some capacity and teaching was the perfect role for me.

What attracted you to Bolton Central School? The smaller school setting really drew me in. From the moment I walked through the doors I could feel a sense of community and everyone was part of a team. It's a very supportive school district and I am so excited to be a part of it.

What keeps you enthusiastic or motivated about your role? Describe your best day at work? My students inspire me every day. Getting to work with so many different students keeps me on my toes and helps me to be flexible and willing to change at a moment's notice. A great day is seeing a student really understand a new concept or master one they have been struggling with. It's so rewarding being an active part in helping students work to achieve a goal and be proud of themselves.

**Please tell us about places you have been or would like to travel to?** I have been to Italy and a few places in the Caribbean. I would love to travel more and see the history in other countries.

What do you like to do in your spare time? I spend a lot of time with my family. I enjoy reading, watching movies, baking, and playing games.



### Katelyn Van Auken Breaks All-Time Scoring Record!

### **Congratulations Katelyn!**

Hitting the Basketball 1,000-point landmark wasn't enough for graduating senior Katelyn! She set a new All Time Scoring Record originally set by Allison Huck in 1995!

"She's such a great athlete and very deserving of this," Coach Luke Schweickert said. "She plays basketball all year, and she just keeps working and working at her game."





To date Katelyn
has a career point
count of 1,359!
Congratulations on
a record breaking
and exciting athletic
career as a
Bolton Eagle!



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# In STEAM - A is for ART!

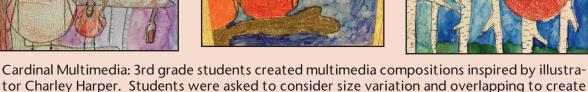


3D Cardinals: Kindergarten students used air dry clay to mold the pieces of these 3D cardinals inspired by illustrator Charley Harper.



the illusion of depth and space.











Studio Art 9 students were asked to use insects as their inspiration to create these

pencil drawings. They were asked to consider points of emphasis and contrast to create balance, rhythm and movement.





Chuck Close
Self-Portraits:
Studio Art 9
students were
asked to create
a self-portrait
using artist
Chuck Close
as inspiration.
They used a
grid and color
as a tool to
create a
stylized piece.



