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# **BBE's January Newsletter** Nancy Talamini, Brazos Bend Teacher Of

Congratulations to Nancy Talamini, Brazos Bend's Teacher Of The Year. Mrs. Talamini has served as the BBE Librarian since 2004. Previously, she spent seventeen years as a fourth and seventh grade Reading/Language Arts teacher. The library is the perfect place for Mrs. Talamini - a place where she can combine her passions for serving others, with exploring the world through technology, and BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS!!! As a librarian, she believes it is her duty to provide a safe, inviting environment where students are able



to experience, practice, and refine learning skills that allow them to be independent, effective, and imaginative creators and users of ideas and information.

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#### Clinic News

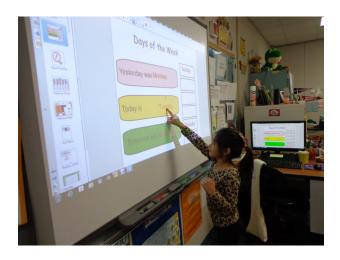
All routine screenings have been completed and referrals have been sent. If you were contacted by the nurse and sent a referral for hearing, vision, Acanthosis Nigricans (AN), or height/weight, please report the results of your doctor visit to the school nurse. Each referral and follow-up is documented in the student health record. The clinic is required to report outcomes of all referrals to the district (numbers only, not individual names), who in turn is required to report to the state. Thank you for getting this important information back to the clinic in a timely manner. Please call or email the nurse if you have questions or have misplaced your referral and a duplicate copy will be made available.

# What's Happening In Kindergarten?



Kindergarten students celebrated the 80<sup>th</sup> day of school by dressing in 80's fashion.

### What's Happening In First Grade?



First graders love using the SMART board for different lessons. The students look forward to calendar time on the SMART board every day.

## What's Happening In Second Grade?



Second Graders, Will and Oliver, enjoy a math card game to practice math fluency. Math fluency and skill development can be obtained in interesting and fun ways!

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### What's Happening In Third Grade?



Third Graders are hard at work! As we concluded our poetry unit we started our special Poetry Fridays, where we read and analyze poems each Friday focusing on different aspects of poetry. We are beginning our research unit and that will be tons of fun! In Math, we have been focusing on fractions along with problem solving and fact fluency. Science has been filled with learning about weather and the water cycle. We have also learned about many important people who are considered to be good citizens and contributors to our society in Social Studies.

### What's Happening In Fourth Grade?



Fourth graders discuss number concepts every day during Every Day Counts, and classes create number lines to use in counting the number of school days. Students were excited to celebrate the 80th day of school by dressing up in 80's attire.

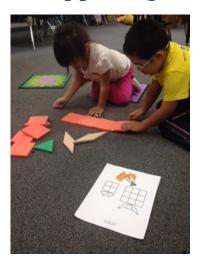
## What's Happening In Fifth Grade?



Fifth grade kicked off the Kids and Cops program. Deputy Diane will be working with the fifth graders once a week for the next eight weeks. It is a great, informative program for all our fifth graders!!

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### What's Happening In K-2 Life Skills?



In K-2 life skills we have been reviewing shapes and how we can use shapes to make pictures. Here are the students using pattern blocks to make bigger pictures.

### What's Happening In 3rd-5th Life Skills?



Mrs. Harris' class is having a blast during a snowball fight after completing their weather unit.

# What's Happening In Art?

Cowboy Up Buckaroo!

Several students got in the ring and came out winners at the District Rodeo Art Show in January! They displayed their Rodeo Art projects and won ribbons for their efforts. Rylee Wilson, a fourth grader, won a

"Finalist Ribbon" for her entry; 'Looking Good Chicky Babe!'. From the hundreds of Elementary entries, only 20 were

selected as finalists. Way to go, Rylee!

Blue Ribbon winners were Emily Solorzano, Haniyah Syed, Esha Momin, Camila Gonzalez, Krishninka Anandan, and Parthiban Nagesh for their entries. Red Ribbon winners were Amberly Pilarczyk, Claire Newton, Mireille Calzada, Lara Lavinsky, Areesha Punjani, Samita Srinivas, and Ryder Jensen. Natasha Stubelj earned a White Ribbon for her painting of a cow.

These students' amazing art work can be seen in the display case located close to the cafeteria here at Brazos Bend. Come take a look at the talent of these students!



# **Spelling Bee**



Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Winners! First Place- Suhani Goswami Second Place- Krishnika Anandan Third Place- Romana Qureshi

## **Geography Bee**



Congratulations to BBE's
Geography Bee Winners!
First Place- Dhruv Srivastava
Second Place- Suhani Goswami
Third Place-Connor Schultz

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