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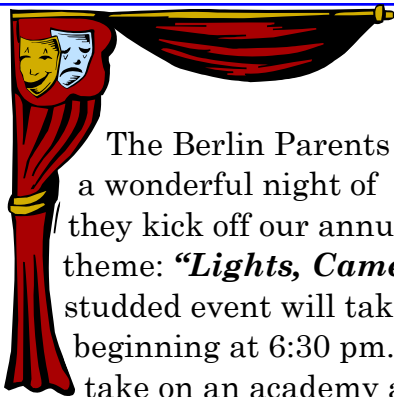
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Berlin Elementary School

## Principal Points...

By Mrs. Miller



## Lights, Camera, Book Fair!!

The Berlin Parents Club is once again sponsoring a wonderful night of family fun for our students as they kick off our annual book fair with this year's theme: "**Lights, Camera, Book Fair.**" This star studded event will take place on Friday, March 20th beginning at 6:30 pm. Our gym and cafeteria will take on an academy awards feeling. Students who dress-up with, sunglasses, boas, tiaras, suits...anything that makes you feel like a movie star, will have their names put into a special drawing. Ice cream sundaes, popcorn, and punch will be served. Our students and families will also have the opportunity to participate in an array of activities and will be able to select books for home. The profits from the book fair will allow us to purchase new books for classrooms. We are very grateful for the many efforts of the Berlin Parents Club and their army of volunteers who are willing to help to make this event a wonderful memory making evening for all our students! Please plan to join us for a fun-filled night!

## Grandparents Day

Grandparents are invited to spend time with their grandchildren on Friday, May 1st from 9:15-11:15 or from 1:15 to 3:15. The date has been changed to accommodate many grandparents who would like to attend both Grandparents Day and our 1st & 2nd grade concert which is also being held on May 1st. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate guests in our cafeteria. As a special treat, the Edison Stage Band will be performing a short program from 2:50-3:15. Students are welcome to go home with grandparents if they have a parent note!



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<i>Board of Ed. Meeting</i>	March 18
<i>Twin Day and 6:30-8:00 Book Fair Night</i>	March 20
<i>Parent-Teacher Conferences/Book Fair</i>	March 24 & 26
<i>Spring Break Begins</i>	March 30
<i>School Resumes</i>	April 6
<i>Good Friday: No School</i>	April 10
<i>Berlin Parents Club 7pm: School Library</i>	April 14
<i>2nd Grade Testing</i>	April 13-17
<i>Kindergarten Screening</i>	April 16-17
<i>Crazy Hair Day</i>	April 17
<i>Arbor Day / Earth Day</i>	April 17
<i>Ohio Achievement Tests Grades 3-4-5 and 2nd Grade Writing Test</i>	April 20-24
<i>Grandparents Day This is a change of date.</i>	May 1
<i>1st and 2nd Concert 7pm Norwalk High School</i>	May 1
<i>Evening Art Display 7pm Elementary Halls</i>	May 4
<i>1st Grade Writing Test</i>	May 4-8



## Berlin Elementary

### Safe Web Sites for Families

This month we feature three wonderful web sites for fun and skill review! Enjoy the joy of learning!

- **studyisland.com**

Students use this web site at school to practice important skills required by the State of Ohio. The students may also practice at home by visiting subject areas recommended by their teachers. What a great site to study for our upcoming OAT tests.

- **multiplication.com**

This is a wonderful site filled with games, worksheets, and activities. Students can practice facts one family at a time or ask for mixed review. The games are engaging, fun, and entertaining!

- **kidsnewsroom.org**

This interactive site allows students to play various learning games in all subject areas and also lets them view the projects made and presented by other students around the world.

Check out the volcano lesson!

If you have found a favorite web site, please share with your teacher and we will post it here!



### 5th Grade Greenfield Village Trip

The annual 5th grade field trip to Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum will take place this year on Monday, May 11th. Details of this wonderful excursion will soon be forthcoming. Parents wishing to chaperone this trip, must return the form to school by March 25th. Details will be explained and included in the student information packets which will be sent home in April. What a wonderful educational event this trip provides for your students!

### Ohio Achievement Tests



Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will be taking the Ohio Achievement Tests during the week of April 20-24. Please avoid taking vacations, or taking students out of class prior to these dates as teachers will be reviewing important concepts. Please make sure your child has a nutritious breakfast and adequate rest every day, but especially during testing week!

### Preschool Enrollment

Students who turn 3 or 4 before August 1 are eligible to attend the Little Chargers Preschool. Parents may pick up interest cards in the elementary office beginning April 20th. Three year olds traditionally attend on Tuesday and Thursday, while 4 & 5 year olds attend on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Thank you!



### Kindergarten Screening

... An Important Reminder!



Our annual kindergarten screening will take place this year on April 16th and 17th. If your child turns 5 before August 1st, he or she is eligible for kindergarten. If you have not already done so, please call the elementary office at 419-588-2079 ex.1200 to schedule an appointment. Please bring to screening, a copy of your child's birth certificate, all shot records, social security number and proof of residence. For your convenience, the Erie County Health Care-A-Van will be parked in front of our school on April 17th from 9-3 if your child needs additional immunizations. Thank you!



### It's Sneaker Time...



As the weather warms, students will again begin walking during their recess. Usually, the students walk around the Berlin building complex one time with a paraprofessional and then they are free to play on the playground or continue walking to build up miles. We already have several intermediate students who have walked in excess of 25 miles!

Please encourage outdoor / physical activity as much as possible. Research indicates that students who are more active have a higher degree of concentration during class, do better academically, and have fewer behavior problems than students who are more passive.

### Happy Easter!

The entire staff of Berlin Elementary wishes each and every family a very Happy Easter! We are most grateful for the wonderful gift of support from our parent partners and caring community members!



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