

January Big Bay Blurbs



Upcoming Dates:

Check out the school calendar for additional sporting event dates and times.

01/28: Homecoming Basketball Game vs. Beaver Island—5pm and Homecoming Dance

01/29: Beaver Island Basketball Day 2: 9am

02/11: Teacher Professional Development Day

02/21: No School—Presidents' Day

Please call the main office or visit:

www.bigbayschool.com

for more detailed dates and the most up to date information and schedule changes.



Big Bay de Noc Spelling Bee Finalists

Students in grades 5th through 8th competed in our district Spelling Bee on Tuesday, January 25th. Students in first and second place advance to the next round in Manistique on February 16th. The third place students act as alternate competitors if necessary. Great job to all that competed but a special congratulations to the following finalists:

5th Grade: 1st—Jamison Jasmin, 2nd— Finley Morris, 3rd— Brody Frazer

6th Grade: 1st— Elijah Cooper, 2nd— Ashton Ansell, 3rd— Mason Gembel

7th Grade: 1st— Weston Ansell, 2nd— Payton Pederson, 3rd— Janna Swisher

8th Grade: 1st— Eliza Davis, 2nd— Abby Meffer, 3rd— Jason Thayer



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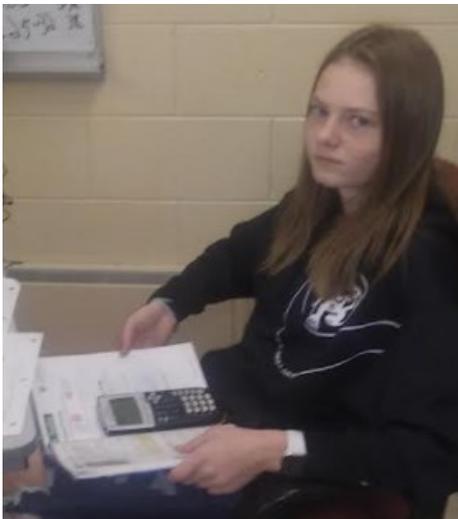
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“Our Future Begins Now!”

8th Graders Learn to use Graphing Calculators

Remember the times when the most advanced piece of technology you got to use was a graphing calculator? The gray scale screen with the blinking black box that was somewhere between a Calculator and a Commodore 64 computer. What an amazing device! Here we are in 2022, and the 8th graders are learning how to use them for the first time with Mr. Gierke.

Although they seem like a bit of ancient technology, especially to middle and high school



children who are used to the snazzy processing and bright colors of an average cell phone, they still have many uses in the math world. Students can focus on just doing calculations and graphing (i.e. less distractions), they can help solve more complex math problems like systems of equations and trig functions, and students are generally allowed to use them on standardized tests such as the SATs.

1st Grade Flashlight Friday

Fridays, or Fri-Yay's as we like to call them in First Grade, are a very special day for Reading. On Fridays, the first grade students participate in something called, "Flashlight Friday." During this special time, we turn out the lights, turn on our flashlights, grab our book baskets and read! Students are able to sit wherever they choose in the room, even with a friend if they choose, and read in a fun and exciting way.



Lakefront Fitness Classes

Big Bay de Noc School is happy to welcome Shiloh LaButte and her Lakefront Fitness class into our building each week to host a community fitness program. Classes are currently running every Monday and Wednesday at 6pm. They are currently running their "60 Day Transformation Challenge" and welcome anyone to drop into a single class and give it a try for just \$12! Contact Lakefront Fitness on Facebook for more information or to sign up.

We are so proud to have yet another Black Bear Alumni back in our building and offering such a great opportunity for our community members.



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