



Behrman Buzz

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Calendar of Events

Friday, February 9
Last day of registration for returning students

Thursday, February 15
Professional Development
Early Release

**Monday, February 19 -
Wednesday, February 21**
Mardi Gras holidays
NO SCHOOL

Thursday, March 15
Professional Development
Early Release

**Monday, March 19 -
Friday, March 23**
LEAP/ILEAP Testing

Wednesday, April 4
Professional Development
Early Release

**Thursday, April 5 -
Tuesday, April 10**
Spring Break
NO SCHOOL

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Mr. Brian Young
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REMEMBER!
Kaboom building day is
Tuesday, February 13.

ATHLETES & SCHOLARS

Four of Behrman's outstanding athletes have been selected to participate in the annual **Fellowship Foundation Black History Month Heritage Connection Weekend** in Houston, Texas. The students will travel to Houston Thursday, February 1st and return Sunday, February 4th. They will have the opportunity to meet representatives from several local universities. (Texas Southern, Prairie View, and Rice). The purpose of this activity is to expose students to historical black colleges and diverse universities, to inspire higher education; to encourage an appreciation of history by touring local sites; to encourage a lifestyle that is drug and violence free by conducting workshops and dialogue on empowerment issues. Behrman is proud of **Ryan Johnson, Anthony Johnson, Tollette George and Randall Duplessis** for being chosen for this honor.



Don't Forget! The Last day of registration for returning students is **Friday, February 9th.**

Momentous Meeting

Eighth grader **Aijanae Lewis** represented the student body of Behrman Charter School when **Mrs. Laura Bush**, the First Lady, came to New Orleans on January 9th. Mrs. Bush greeted Aijanae personally and had her picture taken with her.



Aijanae made everyone at Behrman proud by looking wonderful in her perfect uniform and by being articulate, confident and charming to everyone she met. **Mrs. Carter** and **Mrs. Jeansonne** accompanied Aijanae to St. Rosalie's School for this momentous occasion. After such a lovely morning, they celebrated by stopping at McDonald's for lunch.

Say it with Roses & Chocolate Kisses



St. Valentine's Day is coming! Remember your best friends, your boyfriends, your girlfriends, your teachers, your parents and that someone special with a silk Valentine Rose. If that someone special has a sweet tooth, you can send them a Valentine bag of Hershey's Kisses. For only \$1.00, you can buy a rose or a bag of Kisses and present it yourself or have Cupid deliver it on February 14th. You can sign your name or send it as a Secret Admirer. Roses and Kisses can be ordered and bought in the library or in the basement before school. Let our Cupids deliver your message of love and friendship.

Cultural Activity

Ronald Jones and the New Orleans Charmers entertained the Behrman student body in the auditorium with music and a Second Line parade. This wonderful event was made possible by a grant from the **New York Jazz Foundation**.

IN A DAZE AFTER 100 DAYS

The First Graders celebrated the 100th Day of School with many fun activities. They counted 100 Cheerios, popped 100 balloons, ate a cake shaped like the number 100, after blowing out 100 candles, danced 100 seconds, ate 100 tiny snacks, and tried to do 100 jumping jacks. **Tiera Algere** was the only person to actually finish. Everyone, including the teachers, pooped out before getting to 100. The Times Picayune came by and took pictures, some of which appeared in the Algiers Picayune along with a very nice article.



Hot Rodding

Who was that zooming around the basement on very fast tricycles? It was our very on Pre-Kindergarteners! They stopped just long enough for the picture. All of this activity took place during their physical education class with **Coach Hester and Coach Davis**.



Ancient Egypt & Shadow Puppets

By **Senedra Gibson and Jasmine Small, Ms. Washington's 6th grade**

Have you heard of ancient Egypt? Let us take you on a brief tour. Imagine finding a preserved body of a pharaoh or even the sun god Ra. Imagine finding treasures of gold, jewels and other precious items hidden deep in the pyramids of ancient Egypt. The sixth grade classes have been studying the mysteries of ancient Egypt. As a culminating activity we made shadow puppets based on the ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses. To begin construction of our puppets, we gathered our materials, which consisted of scissors, sticks, manila folders, brads, transparencies, and copy paper. Next, we sketched our puppets on the folders, cut them out and attached the sticks to them. Finally, we practiced our performances on the man-made screen. What an exciting time it was. We received four stars for our performances. We are very lucky to have a teacher like **Ms. Washington**, who makes learning fun.



Flag Football



Behrman Charter School seems unbeatable in athletics. The boys flag football team scored a 36 – 0 rout over **Dwight D. Eisenhower Charter School**. Members of this outstanding team are: **Rashad Ray, Ryan Foy, Anthony Johnson, Cortez Johnson, Camaron Ellis, Michael Jacobs, Randell Duplessis, Charles LaCoste, Devin Powell, Joseph Casey, Jamal Burdette, Nayshawn Watson, Tollette George, Ryan Johnson, Eugene Dabney, and Terrance Milton**. Congratulations, Gentlemen!

Donations to Donors

Ms. Katschalk's Talented in the Arts class has done beautiful pencil drawings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The original artwork done by **Delvonte Smith, Donald Marshall, Eugenie Fleming** will be presented the benefactors who made the new Kaboom playground possible. The drawing done by **Murphy Brown** will be donated to Tulane University in gratitude for their generosity to Behrman Charter School.



Red Carpet, Almost

The library was totally off limits for 2 weeks in December while a mildew and mold remediation crew cleaned every book and surface. During the Christmas holidays all books and furniture were removed to the outside hall so that the floor could be replaced. The old cracking tile and sub floor were removed and a new bright red tiled floor has replaced them. Now with the new shelving, new furniture and new books, the library is a welcoming wonderful space in our school

Bright Smiles

During the month of January, **Nurse Brown** did vision screening and referrals for the students. An optometrist from **Wal-Mart** also did visual screening. Nurse Brown reminds us that February is Dental Hygiene Month. A Dental Hygienist will be coming to speak to 2nd and 3rd graders about the importance of good dental health.