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# Talent Development News



## Important Dates

Last Day of School	6-8
Open House	8-23
First Day of School	8-27
School Holiday	9-3
Teacher Workday	9-19

This has been a wonderful year. I can't believe my first group of students that I have known since kindergarten, will be leaving Barnette. I am sad to see them go, but excited to see what they are going to accomplish. I hope everyone has a fun-filled and relaxing summer.

Did you know? Kids who don't have a lot of unstructured outdoor play are at risk for a range of negative outcomes:

Greater risk for unhealthy lifestyles and childhood obesity.

Fewer sensory-rich experiences

Higher diagnose of ADHD-type symptoms

Lower academic performance in school

Less empathy for plants and animals

Lower self-confidence

Less independence

Diminished Creativity

## Answers to the Brainteaser

**Question:** In a single elimination tournament in which there are 291 teams competing, how many games must be played to determine the winner?

**Answer:** 290, For one team to win, 290 teams have to lose. The championship game will yield both the 290th loser and the winner.

## TD Wish List

### For 2018-19 SY

Ziploc bags (any size)

Clorox wipes

Hand sanitizer

Small dry erase boards

Small socks (to use as erasers)

## Ideas for getting outdoors this summer:

Kidscape your backyard—ideas at [www.greeheartsinc.org](http://www.greeheartsinc.org)

Try nature journaling - let your child choose a spot in a natural area to visit throughout the seasons and draw or write about what is seen and heard.

Take a hike! NC is a wonderful place for it. Linville Falls is one of my favorites.

Try a seasonal activity such as camping, boating, fishing, Stand up paddle boarding, or kayaking. - continued on back



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Visit a local, state or national park or Audubon center. Many of these offer special events, classes, and programs for families.

Taken from *Parenting for High Potential*, June 2018.

### **Parent Resources housed in Mrs. Hurst's classroom**

- Back Issues of *Parenting for High-Potential*– great articles for parents
- *The Survival Guide for Parents of Gifted Children* book
- *Some of My Best Friends Are Books* book

Feel free to check one of these resources out at anytime.



Students worked hard creating bar graphs and pictographs in their project, "Survey Says." Students also used the icons of depth and complexity as they read *Frindle*. Hopefully, students were able to finish reading the book on their own. If not, it would be a great summer read.

**Congratulations to Madeline McCormick** for being the overall winner for Barnette at the STEAM tournament.

One of our teams also placed fourth in the team competition. We were



so proud of everyone for representing our school so well.

**Third graders** did an awesome job learning about solving for the unknown variable with hands on equations. Many students really enjoyed the mystery novel *Chasing Vermeer*. There are a few other books in the series. Great for summer reading!

**Fourth graders** learned all about investing in the stock market and how world events effect market pricing. The students enjoyed the first round so much that we began a second round using real companies and real-time pricing. Students worked in groups to analyze stanzas of the poem *Paul Revere's Ride* and had wonderful class discussions.

**Fifth graders** learned early Algebra with Hands-on Equations. They also participated in a Breakout EDU game using math skills and critical thinking. I was so proud of their teamwork. I enjoyed the creative character journey projects for *The View from Saturday*, one of my all-time favorite books. These students did a fabulous job of making their presentations interactive for the class.