South Buffalo Charter School



Star Staff



We would like to recognize star staff that work here at SBCS. Thank you for making it a better place.

Mr. Dalio

Job: Spanish teacher

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Favorite vacation: Chicago

Spare time: sports/family time

Fun fact: Grew up in Long Island and was a ra-

dio announcer

Favorite food: pizza

Mrs. Callahan

Job: teacher assistant

Favorite holiday; Christmas

Favorite vacation: Alleghany state park

Spare time: Gardening/Crochet

Fun fact: was a phlebotomist

Favorite food: chicken

mrs. Maloney

Job: School Nurse

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Favorite vacation: Palm Island

Spare time: Go running

Fun fact: Enjoy occasional nap

Favorite Food: cheese and crackers



Mrs. DiCanio

Job: Kindergarten Teacher

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Favorite vacation: Jamaica

Spare time: Spend time with family

Fun fact: A camp counselor at 16 before a teacher

Favorite Food: Pizza

Mrs. Konieczny

Job: 5/6 Science teacher

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving

Favorite vacation: Carolina Beach

Spare time: Read and Garden

Fun fact: In college she spent a semester on the

Spirit of Massachusetts (A 125 ft. schooner)

Favorite Food: Potatoes



Mrs. Ventresca

Job: Instructional coach/helps students and teacher

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite Vacation: Savannah, Georgia

Spare time: Family, lodge, outside, read

Fun Fact: She will take any dance off.

Favorite food: pizza with extra sauce

Ms. Rueter

Job: Math Intervention

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

What she likes to do on her free time: Spend time with her family

Favorite vacation spot: Lake Placid, N.Y.

Favorite food: BBQ chicken and coleslaw

Fun Fact: She is getting married in August!



Mrs. Anderson

Job: Attendance Clerk and Records Clerk

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving

What she likes to do on her spare time: Reading

Favorite Food: Sushi and Grilled Salmon

Fun Fact: She once rode in a real submarine

Favorite vacation spot: Portland, Oregon

Boys Basketball!

By: Victoria Carroll-O'Connor

This year's boys basketball team was astounding! The team members, Laurent Swanson, Isaiah Donmore, Naszier Jackson, Cullen Tonge, Myekel Scisson, Jeremiah Caviness, DeMarcus Sanders, Alhagie Sesay, Chris Galligan, and Dyontai Williams did a fantastic job this year!

The team's overall record was 6-1, one of the best seasons we've had.

They also won the championship in their league, which was 5-0, and went 1-1 in the Timon Tournament.

The coaches Ms. Schrimmel and Mr. Diggins had help from Donald O'Connor and Matt Collins, former students from SBCS. They always encourage the players to do their best and have fun while playing.

Congratulations to the players of SBCS boys basketball team for another great year!



Girls Basketball

The girls' basketball team had their best record yet at SBCS. Their season record was 5-3. Their games were played on Friday nights. Their coaches are Mr. Peck and Ms. Geib. There were no playoffs because their season was too long. They finished in 3rd place. The girls on the basketball team are...

Christina Divincenzo (8)

Patricia Rigby (8)

Jasmine Rose (7)

Treneazja Giddens (7)

Angelina Lopez (6)

Cianna Boone (6)

Corrionna Fugate (6)

Gillian Cammarano (6)

Kayla Pulvino (6)

Marisol DuBose (6)

Raven Gatti (6)

Sierra Caminero

Great season, girls!

GIRLS ON THE RUN

By: Natalie Mullen

The Girls on the Run program is for girls in 6-8th grade. They learn lessons on self esteem, peer pressure, and making healthy choices. During the 12 week program the girls also train for a 5k(3 miles). The fall season ended with a 5k at Delaware Park on November 10, 2013. The Spring season of Girls on the Run began on Monday, March 24, 2014. They will end their season with a 5k at UB on Sunday, June 8th.

Fall season:

Kaylee Obstarczyk Katelyn Speidel

Natalie Mullen Katie Kulbacki

Marisol DuBose Cassie Kulbacki

Kayla Pulvino Carissa Sweat

Naya Parara Deanna Edwards

Taylor Kurnik Megan Huttenlocker

Georgia Lynn Cook Carli Canonico

Kaycee Kleinbach

Alyssa Bace



National Junior Honor Society

By: Victoria Carroll-O'Connor

We talked to Shea Halpenny, President of National Junior Honor Society, about what NJHS is and what the members do. The members of National Junior Honor Society were chosen by the teachers based on, not only good grades and behavior, but based on their character. She said the students show good leadership, kindness, responsibility, are helpful, and much more. This year the members of NJHS have volunteered at many school events, such as fall festival and the Holiday Gala. They have volunteered at events, both in and outside of school, sold candy bars, tutored others, and also ran a pop-can tab drive to benefit the Ronald McDonald House! Shea believes that all students in NJHS are hardworking people and if you work hard enough you can be in NJHS one day too.



SBCS Takes a stand against Bullying

National bullying month was in October. SBCS sold orange t-shirts that students and teachers can wear one Wednesday per month to show our support against bullying! To kick-off anti-bullying there was an anti-bullying magic show with Mike Seege. In this event kids and teachers were able to participate on stage. We also wrote on orange helping hands stating how to stop bullying and hung them all around the school. If you see any bullying stand up to them and tell them to STOP or tell an adult.



2014 Spelling Bee!

This year's spelling bee was a great one. The participates were in grades from 5-8. It was an intense battle right to the finish. We would like to congratulate all contestants, especially the winners Hawraa Ahmed, who came in first place, Andrew Calabrese, second place, and Thalia Dinh, in third place. Hawraa went on to take an exam for the Erie County Spelling Bee and tested in the top twenty middle school spellers in Erie County. Congratulations on all your hard work and dedication!

2014 participants were: Martin Mahon, Ambilique Sierra, Hawraa Ahmed, Andrew Calabrese, Ryan Amer, Michael Soto, Cullen Tonge, Kenneth Klyczek, Christina DiVincenzo, McKala Sagliani, Jason Wheeler, and Shea Halpenny, Robert Folck, Carly Downey, Dalis Velazquez, Thalia Dinh, and Matthew Hernandez, Kristen Appleford, Allonnah Staufenberger, Taylor Kurnik, Kaylee Obstarczyk, Emmanuel Rodriguez, Jason Price, and Jaron Amos.

Poetry Slam

Although fifteen 7th and 8th graders submitted original poems relating to the theme "changing the world", 4 student poets were chosen (by the BASCS Slam Committee) to be a part of the 2014 Poetry Slam, hosted by Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School. Hawraa came in third place in the 6-12 grade competition. Shea Halpenny, JazzaRae Curne, and Christina DiVincenzo also performed their original poetry at the Auditorium in the Buffalo Public Central Library.

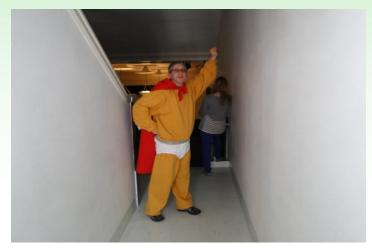
Hawraa won \$150 with her third place prize - a first for any South Buffalo Charter Student (and middle schooler) ever in this competition!



Reading gets crazy!

By: Victoria Carroll-O'Connor

Here at SBCS we believe that it is important for students to read as much as they can. To make sure this happens, while making it fun, SBCS held a reading rally! Teachers all throughout the school dressed as book characters, students won baskets of books, and Mr. Castonguay read the book *Oh The Places You'll Go* by Dr. Seuss. After that, Kindergarten and 1st grade and a Dr. Seuss Crazy Week! Students had crazy sock day, crazy hat day, crazy hair day, and even backwards clothes day! Reading is very important and fun!!









Spanish Club Fun!

Among many other exciting things, students in Spanish club learned about the tradition of making and breaking a piñata. Students enjoyed learning about this tradition and were even able to try it out!



8thGrade Field Trip

By: Jada Price

On March 18th eighth grade went to Shea's Performing Arts Center to see "Buffalo Soldier."

"Buffalo Soldiers" got their name in the involvement in the Spanish-American War. The "Buffalo Soldier" usually refers to African American men who fought in this war. "In four months of fighting the Spanish under these adverse conditions, the Buffalo Soldiers were described as most gallant and soldierly" These soldiers had a great impact on this war, and without them America probably wouldn't be able to in the war. After the play 8th grade got to go to the Old Country Buffet.



Congratulations to the sudents who stayed on green for the first half of the year!!

<u>Kindergarten</u>	Dumas, Ivan	Peake, Ania
Dunbar, Jayden	Figueroa, Jenessa	Queeno, Seth
Hussey, Isabella	Forant, Brayden	Swagerty, Arwen
Kuwik, Luciana	Rosado, Xuedely	
Osborne, Amelia	Torres, Rylee	2nd Grade
Wicher, Juliana		Canonico, Carmen
Williams, Jada	1 st Grade	Elliott, Destiny
Zientara, Angelina	Barlow, Jasmyn	Gilbert, Sienna
Appleford, Ryan	Clark, Minnayjah	Green, Jamar
Bartram, Lydia	Nickerson, Leah	Griffin, Tarjai
Cortez, Cheryl	Peake, Makayla	Milne, Annaleis
Hill, Jayden	Sciortino, Dante	Rodriguez, Jaenette
Kline, Veronica	Binga, Emily	Rosado, Yomaris
Lavin, Lily	Bodine, Ryan	Small, Tayonna
Romero, Rudolph	Crawford, Karlei	Walenka, Isabelle
Valentin, Hayden	Grover, Kevin	Blaszek, Nicholas
Vidal, Gabriel	Lamberty, Jovahn	C'Aiken, Aleena
Aboussir, Naja	Rodriguez, Anelise	Carroll, Michael
Gomez, Amalia	Soto, Noah	Creely, Dakota
Grover, Allan	Speidel, Daniel	Crosby, Aniyah
Main, Scarlet	Waz, Michelle	Erdolini, Abigail
Smith, Logan	Durmaj, Charlie	Leith, Courtney
Daruszka, Thaddeus	Isch, Michael	O'Hara, Ethan
Deeb, Maya	Maracle, Lincoln	Weber, Jacob

3 rd Grade	Sesay, Safia	Sundell, Angie
Boerschig, Victoria	Waz, Genavieve	Vasquez, Irving
Brown, Aiden	Cislo, Trenton	Amra, Hannah
Fini, Bianca	Crawford, Aleyah	Kent, Alexandria
Galligan, Benjamin	Ginter, America	Morales, Arianna
Gyamfi, Akue(Vanessa)	Jones, Jorryn	Sciortino, Isabella
Zak, Kyla	Kania, Marrissa	Velazquez, Justyn
Zimmer, Jacob	Knauber, Katelyn	Groves, Lara
Cintron, Nylah	Milne, Ella	Kornowski, Diana
Cretacci, Cassidy	Oehmler, JaydeAnn	Kotrys, Jenna
Dicenzo, McKenzie	Smith, Mallory	Proper, Mickayla
Kotrys, Emily	Snead, Lorenzo	
Mutka, Alexis	Wesser, Bianca	6 th Grade
Queeno, Brooklynn		Carney, Jakob
Rosado, Irianalys	5 th Grade	Cortes, Elizabeth
Ruiz, Anjely	Abreu, Edwin	Lopez, Angelina
Santiago, Amelia	Bace, Elizabeth	Owens, Jazyiah
	Folck, Michael	Smardz, Abbigail
4 th Grade	Green, Alexia	Smigiera, Mackenzie
Conrad, Robert	LaMarti, Alanna	Klein, Cassie
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Daruszka, Mykaylah	Leistner, Gabby	Maracle, Nicodemus
Erdolino, Alexandra	Leistner, Gabby Powell, Caitlyn	·
	·	Maracle, Nicodemus
Erdolino, Alexandra	Powell, Caitlyn	Maracle, Nicodemus Miller, Robert
Erdolino, Alexandra Morseon, Brynn	Powell, Caitlyn Rine, Alana	Maracle, Nicodemus Miller, Robert Obstarczyk, Kaylee
Erdolino, Alexandra Morseon, Brynn Staufenberger, Caileigh	Powell, Caitlyn Rine, Alana Rodriguez, Lorenzo	Maracle, Nicodemus Miller, Robert Obstarczyk, Kaylee Cortes, Brian

Prusinski, Li

Pulvino, Kayla

Schwilk, Mikaela

VanWey, Aryanna

7th Grade

Canonico, Carli

Dinh, Thalia

Mendez, Xavier

Knightner, Jerryionna

Worunchuk, Aubrey

Carroll-O'Connor, Victoria

Loatman, Keyazha

Lopez, Victoria

Rosalia, Johnathon

Snead, Angelina

8th Grade

Mack, Elizabeth

Miller, Katie

Ahmed, Hawraa

Cullen, Matthew

Small, Taijha

Great job everyone!!



7/8th Grade Survey

Favorite snack: chips

Teacher survey

Favorite snack: chips

Favorite color: blue

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Favorite movie: bad grandpa

Favorite movie: Pretty

Woman & Rudy

Favorite band/artist: one

direction

Favorite band/artist: Pearl

Jam & Billy Joel

Favorite food: pizza

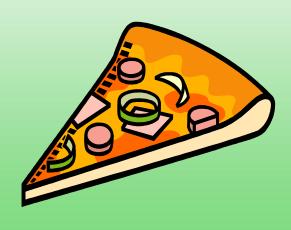
Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite TV show: the walking

dead

Favorite TV show: Big Bang

Theory







Thank you SBCS for another successful Bald for Bucks event! This year we raised\$14,000 for Roswell!



