



## Weekly Bulletin

### March 13, 2015

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#### Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Tuesday, February 10, 2015, a group of 25 fifth grade students at R.M.T. Johnson Elementary School elected to participate in the first online round of the *7th Annual National MathCON* competition. During the online round of MathCON almost 45,000 students, from more than 330 schools in 42 states participated. Out of these students 700 have been selected to compete at the MathCON Finals at the University of Illinois in Chicago on April 25, 2015. Johnson School's **Samantha Stone** and **Divin Baddam** were invited to participate in the Chicago finals! **Ella Dorso-Ciffone**, **Ismael Shaker**, and **Amel Hilmi** received recognition for Honorable Mention on the MathCON 2015 Online Test. Congratulations to all those who participated in the MathCON competition!

Congratulations to **Eshal Imran** (Gr.5: Mr. Reids class) and **Emily Baldwin** (Gr.4: Mrs. Quader's class) as finalists in creating their very own healthy snack for the annual *Future Chefs Culinary Competition*. Eshal created an *Instant Strawberry Cheesecake* and Emily made a *Healthy Chicken Salad*. We are very proud of their participation in this event. Finalists competed in a live cook off this past Tuesday at Bethel High School.

On Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, Johnson School was delighted to host Tony Abbott, author of the *Copernicus Series*. Tony shared the process of writing a book from inspiration to publication. Students and staff enjoyed his book talk and look forward to reading his new book. We would like to extend a special thank you to Alice Hutchinson for making this author visit a reality.

In other news, Johnson School has a special guest speaker at this month's PTO meeting – Dr. Carver! I encourage you to attend the Johnson PTO meeting this Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, at 9:15 a.m. in the Teachers' Room to become informed about the budgetary recommendations for your child's education and become actively involved in exercising your civic rights as a resident in the town of Bethel.

Very truly yours,  
 Mrs. Alison Salerno  
 Principal

#### Don't miss JS-TV interview with Tony Abbott!



## PTO NEWS

### Upcoming PTO Events

PTO Meeting: March 17, 9:15

Yankee Candle Fundraiser: March 27- April 10

No TV/Screen Week: May 4-8

Mothers' Day Plant Sale: May 7-8

5th Grade Breakfast and Moving Up Ceremony: June

School Store open Fridays before school

Contact Christine Cohen to help out with any PTO event:  
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## March Calendar

18 Art Show 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

## April Calendar

3 Good Friday No School

7, 8, 9 Conference Days

Dismissal 12:56

13-17 Spring Recess No School

22 Spring Pictures

Math Family Fun Night

29 Jump Rope for Heart Grade 5  
3:00 to 4:30

30 Jump Rope for Heart Grade 4  
3:00 to 4:30

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