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MARCH NEWSLETTER
February 28, 2018

No School

There is no school on Monday, March 5th in observance of Casimir Pulaski Day. There is an early dismissal on Friday, March 23rd. Anna McDonald students will be dismissed at 12:42 p.m. for car riders/walkers and 12:45 p.m. for bus riders.

Spring Break

Spring break begins on March 24th. Students will return on Tuesday, April 3rd. PTO room parties will be Friday, March 23rd from 11:45am to 12:30pm. Students will be dismissed at 12:45pm. There will be no lunches served on the 23rd due to room parties and the early dismissal.

Lunch Accounts

Please remember to check your child's lunch account balance on a regular basis. **Students are not allowed to purchase a hot lunch with a negative balance.** If you have any questions, please call.

Class DoJo

If you use "Class DoJo" to inform your child's teacher of a change in transportation, it is important that you also contact the office at 815-478-3310 of these changes.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Manhattan School District 114 registration is Online again for the 2018-2019 school year. We will be switching over to a new registration system in May. In order to be able to transfer students to our new system for the upcoming school year it is imperative that you register your student(s) by April 30, 2018.

Registration for current and new families will be done at home through your personal computer. This process will result in substantial savings in paper and printing costs for our district and make the registration procedure much more convenient for our families. We have learned that sometimes Internet Explorer does not always work for registration, as it is not as up to date as it should be. If you encounter this problem, please try registering through Firefox or Google Chrome.

ALL PAST DUE FEES NEED TO BE PAID ASAP
2018-2019 FEES WILL BE ADDED AT THE END OF FEBRUARY

In order to place students in classes for the next school year you need to complete online registration. If you will not be returning to the district in the fall please contact us.

If you have any problems or questions regarding registration or fees, please contact **Sarah Bancsy** at [815-531-3326](tel:815-531-3326) or sbancsy@manhattan114.org

Spring Pictures

Van Gogh Photography will be here on Friday, March 9th for Spring Pictures. Information will be sent home by March 2nd.

PE Exemptions

We have made a change in protocol for students that are exempt from PE class due to injury or other circumstances. Moving forward, we are going to allow students to attend recess outside, HOWEVER, they are not permitted to participate in physical activity, which could do more harm and/or aggravate the injury or circumstance. This is simply allowing students to hang out on the black top area with friends near the supervisor and get some fresh air. I am hoping all our students will take this opportunity to be mature and responsible with their own situation and circumstance and follow protocol. If it becomes a problem for a child to be responsible, I will address it on a case-by-case basis and possibly omit that student from going outside.

Yearbook Orders

This year a yearbook can only be purchased for your child using the online website TreeRing. If you want to purchase one for your child, click on the link below, enter in the passcode, and purchase a yearbook for your child. The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00.

When purchasing a yearbook, please either download the TreeRing app or use your PC to complete the process. We have had parents incorrectly filling out the information and accidentally purchasing yearbooks under their name and not their child's.

The website to order is: <http://www.TreeRing.com/validate>

The passcode is: 1014417497762779

The cost of the yearbook is \$12.00

If you have any questions, please contact the yearbook coordinator for Anna McDonald, Jaime McCleverty, at jmccleverty@manhattan114.org You will also see the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

Physical Education

Physical Fitness Testing begins March 6th.

Encouraging our youth to be physically active is more important than ever before. Increasing a child's level of physical activity is not only important for improving their health, but recent studies also indicate that physical fitness levels are associated with academic performance, school attendance and discipline. As a part of your child's physical education program, their class will be participating in the **FitnessGram** assessment, which measures health-related fitness for youth.

The **FitnessGram** health-related fitness assessment offers multiple tests to measure aerobic capacity, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility and body composition. We ask that you encourage your child to participate with his/her best effort and to the best of their ability. Students will be assessed using options from the following test items:

*PACER

*Push-Up

- *Curl-Up
- *Back-Saver Sit & Reach

A confidential **FitnessGram** report may be provided for each student to take home, per parent request. This report will include your child's scores and information about whether or not they achieved the **FitnessGram** Healthy Fitness Zone. This Zone represents the level of fitness needed for good health.

For more information regarding the **FitnessGram** assessment, please refer to **www.FitnessGram.net**. If you have other questions, please contact Mrs. Rossi. Thanks for your support!

Time Change

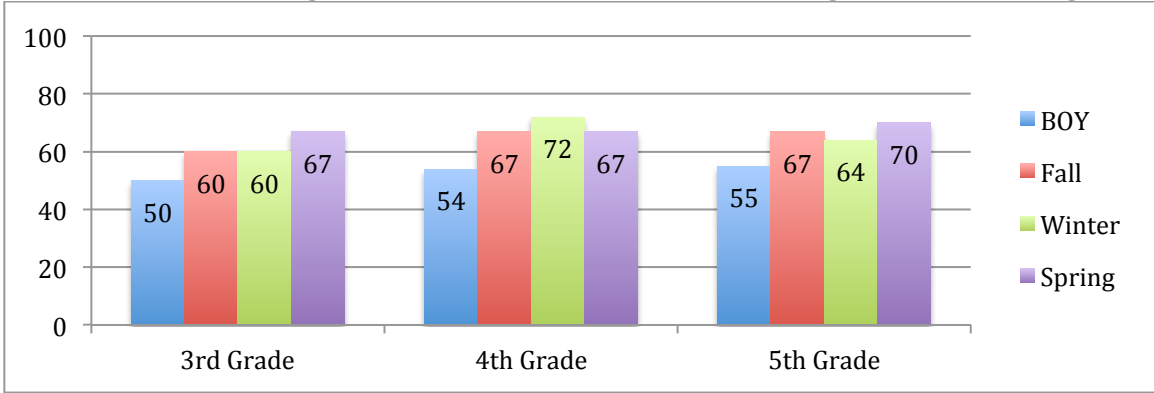
It's time to "Spring Forward!" Please remember to change your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 11th.

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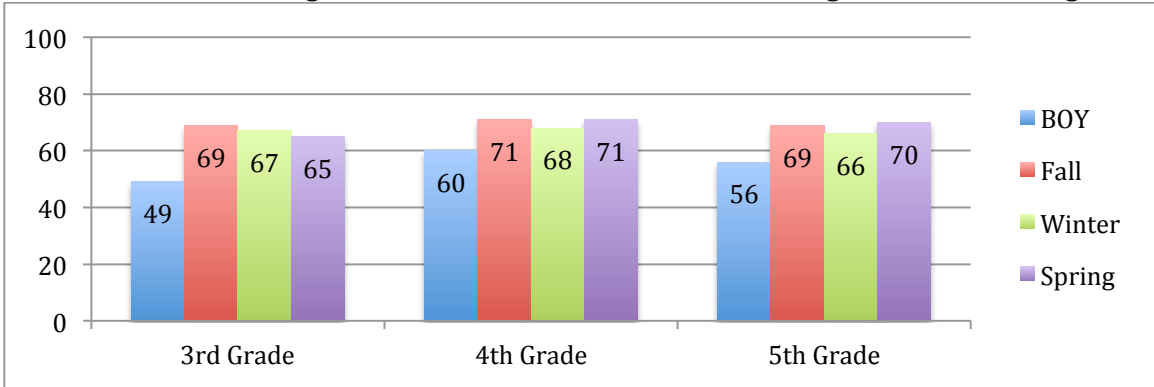
- 1st STAR Reward Bowling 4th grade 12-2:30pm
- 2nd STAR Reward Bowling 5th grade 9am/ 3rd grade -12-2:30pm
2nd Trimester Grades on HomeLogic
- 5th NO SCHOOL
- 6th Statewide Tornado Drill 10am
Student Council 3:15pm
- 7th 3rd Grade Field Trip 9am
- 8th STEM Club 3:15pm
- 9th Spring Pictures
- 14th BOE Meeting 6pm
- 20th Student Council 3:15pm
- 21st SPED Meeting 8am
- 22nd 3rd grade Ellis Island Experience 1:30pm
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- 23rd PTO Spring Party 11:45am
Early Dismissal 12:45pm – NO LUNCHES

March 24th thru April 2nd SPRING BREAK
Return to School Tuesday, April 3rd

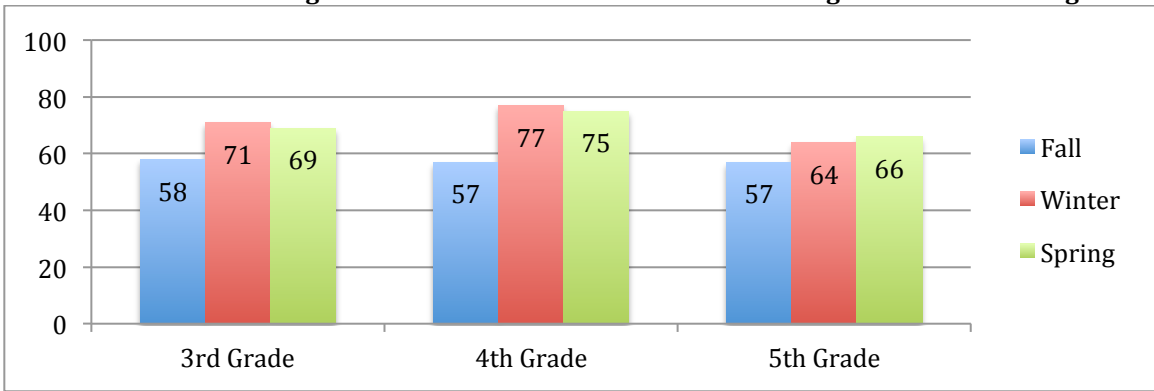
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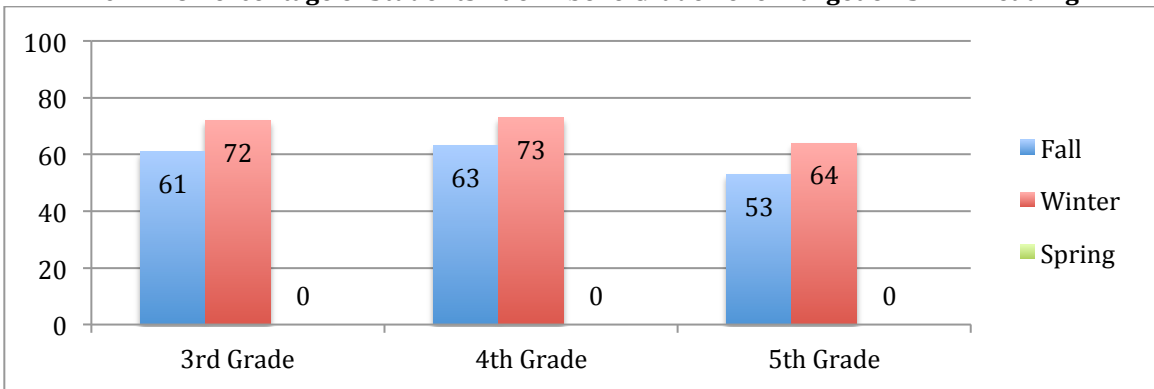
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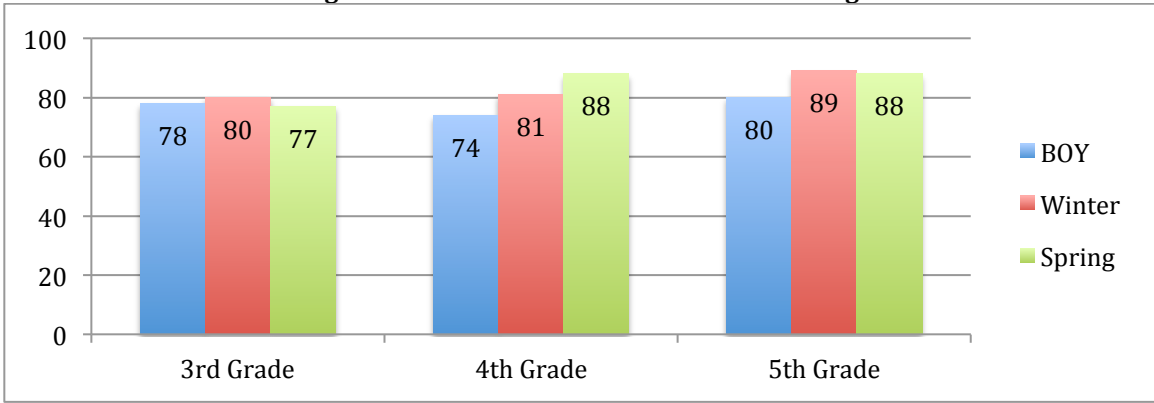
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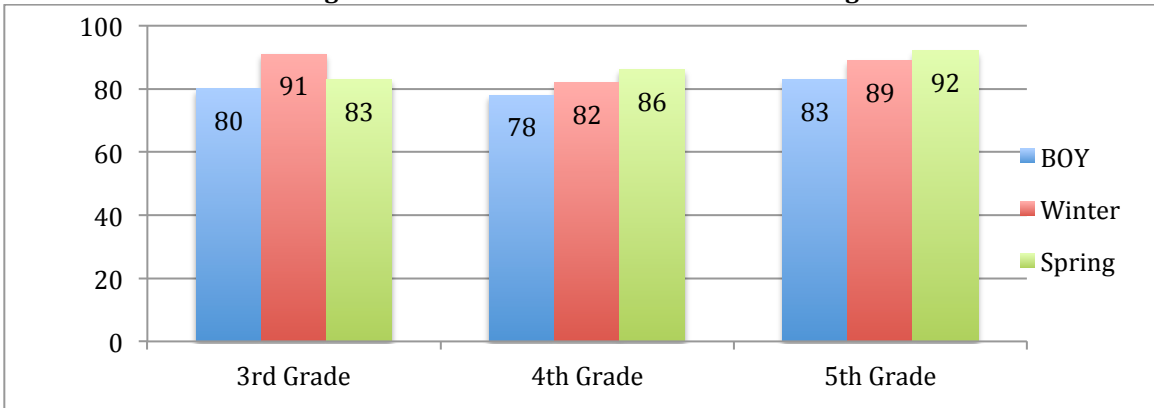
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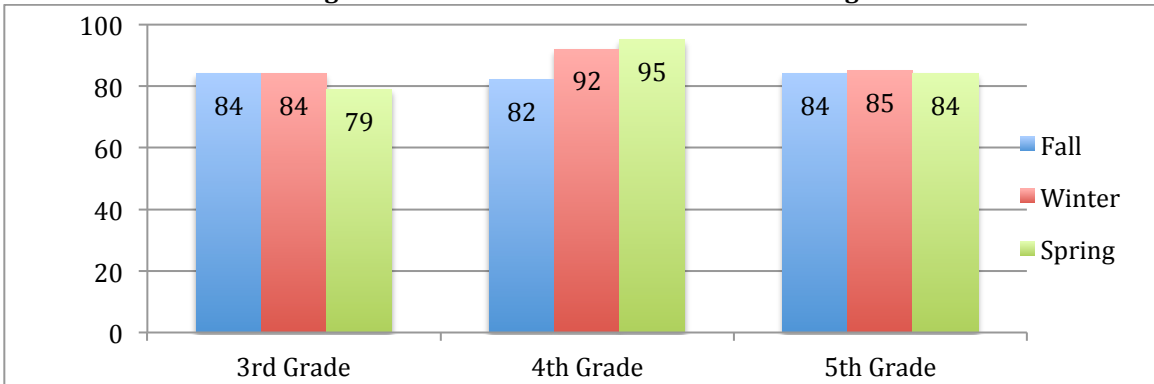
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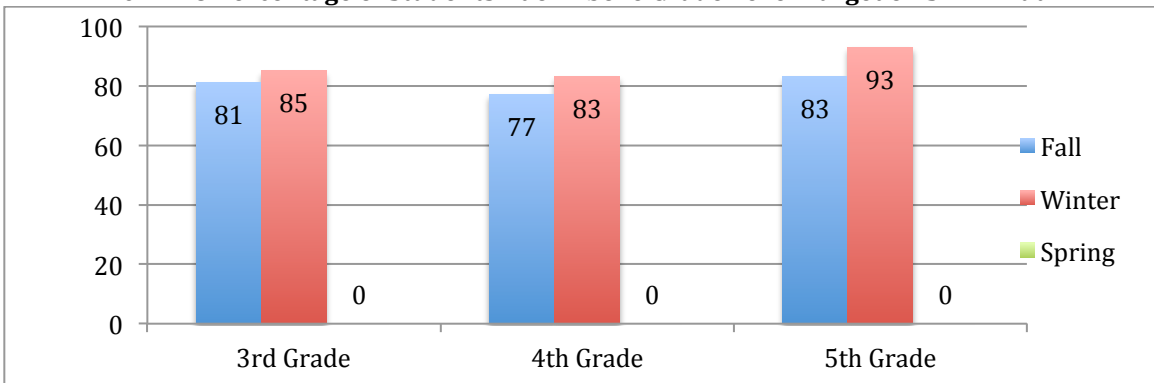
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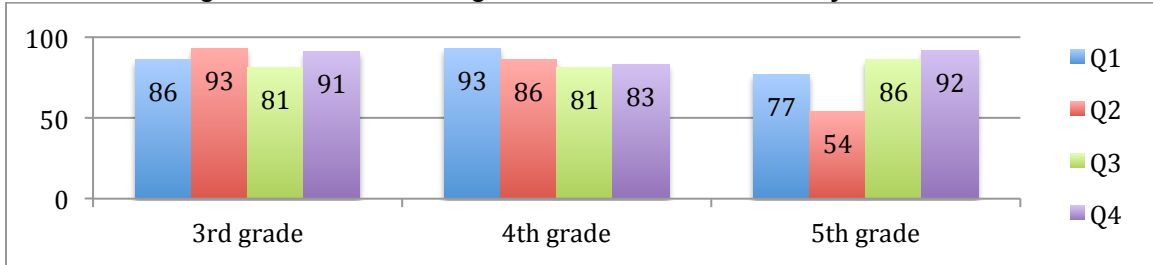
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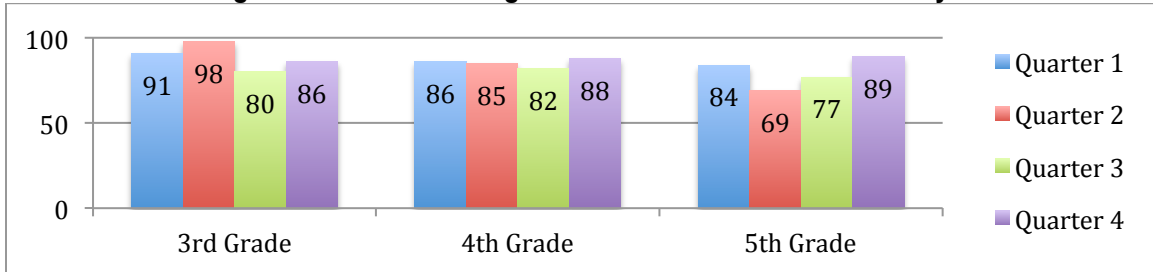
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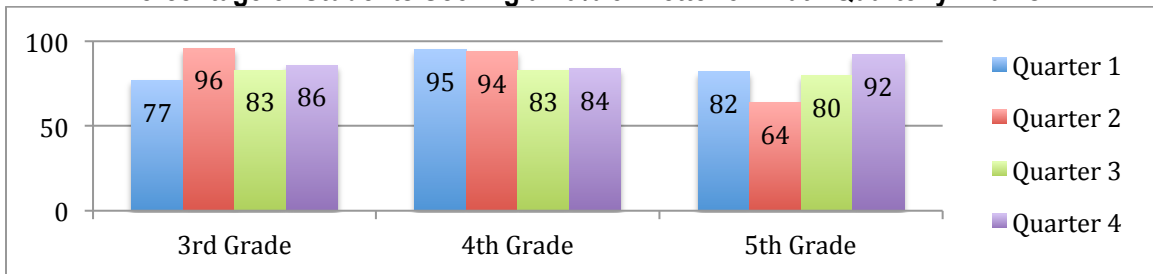
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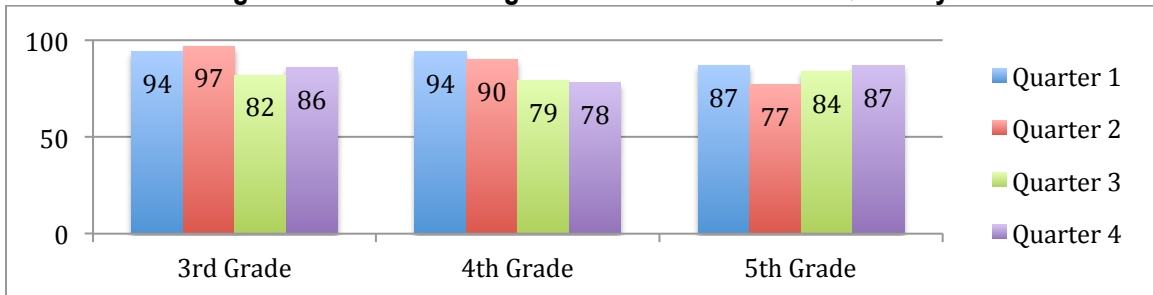
2013-14
Percentage of Students Scoring a 70% or Better on Math Quarterly Exams



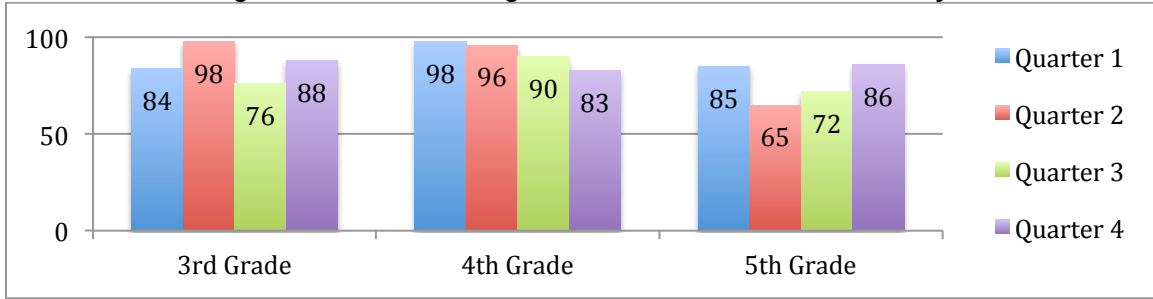
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