

## Upcoming Events

**April 1-4:**

**NYS ELA 3-8 Assessments**

**Monday, April 1:**

**District Parent Council Meeting,  
6:30pm @ Tubman Admin. Bldg.**

**Wednesday, April 3:**

**Parent/Teacher Conferences,  
5:30-7:30pm  
Board of Education Meeting,  
7pm @ AHS Library**

**April 8-12:**

**Owasco Spring Book Fair**

**Tuesday, April 9:**

**OPT Meeting @ 3:30pm**

**April 15-19:**

**NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess**

**Monday, April 22:**

**Earth Day Celebration**

**Tuesday, April 23:**

**Board of Education Meeting,  
7pm @ AHS Library**

**Friday, April 26:**

**Report Cards Mailed Home**

**For more events, please visit:  
[www.aecsd.education/owasco](http://www.aecsd.education/owasco)**

# Owasco Elementary School

**March 2019**



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Owasco Families,

I am honored to be serving in the capacity of Interim Principal at Owasco Elementary School through the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. I have no doubt our students and staff will miss Mrs. Adam-Snell and the leadership she provided to Owasco during her tenure here. Fortunately, she will not be too far from our building, as her new office is but a short distance away in the Administration Building. Congratulations, Mrs. Adams- Snell!

For those whom I have not yet met, let me introduce myself. I retired as principal of Owasco Elementary School in 2011, having served in that capacity for nine years. I returned as Interim Principal during the 2014-15 academic year. My other experiences in Auburn include the position as Assistant Principal at Auburn High School, and teacher at Genesee Elementary School for a number of years before becoming an administrator. A common thread runs through all of my educational experiences from New York City where I began my career, to Central New York, and the Caribbean Islands: Parents and teachers want what is best for (their) children.

I have a deep commitment to children who attend Auburn schools. I believe that all children can learn and are entitled to the highest quality education we can provide. I believe that the success of our children is possible through a strong partnership between school and home. This is only possible through frequent and honest communication, engagement, and mutual support.

I look forward to my work at Owasco these next few months. Please contact me if you would like ideas on how you can become or remain involved in your child's education. I am grateful for the opportunity to return "home" to Owasco, to be part of our staff, reconnect with students and their families, and to meet new ones.

Thank you!

Mrs. Cuevas-Post

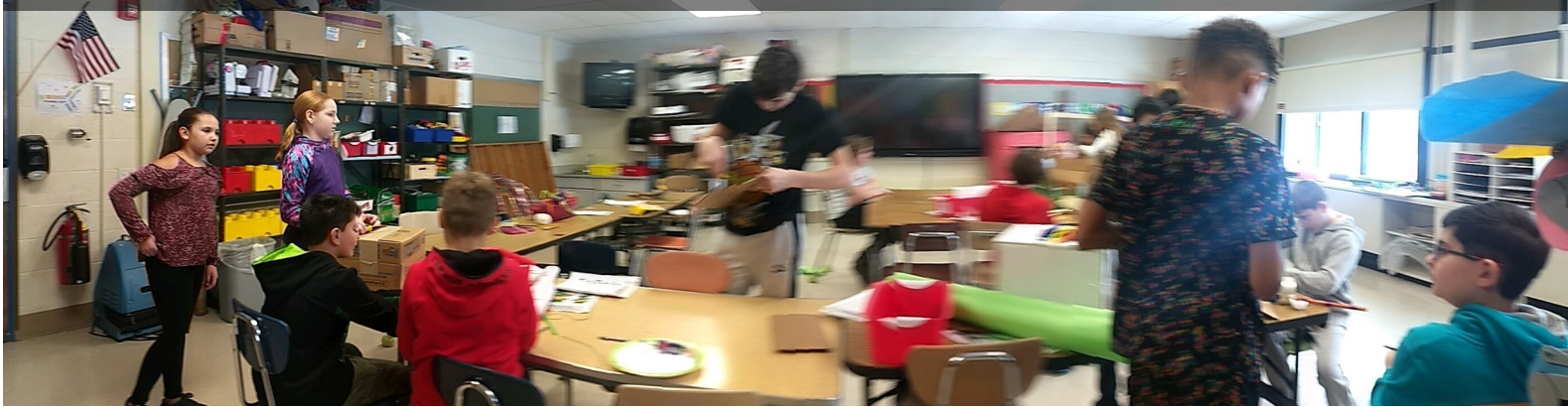
**The next OPT meeting is April 9 @ 3:30 p.m.**

**All parents who can are encouraged to attend!**

## Our Vision:

Our vision as the Owasco school community is to inspire a passion for learning. We will create a learning environment where everyone shows kindness, responsibility, and safety. Today, tomorrow, and into the future Owasco Owls will possess the knowledge and skills to become problem solvers and lifelong learners. At Owasco Elementary, we will build positive relationships between community members, parents, staff, and students.

Ms. Testa's class learned about simple machines by creating leprechaun traps that utilized at least two simple machines in the innovation lab.



Staff Highlights

March 2019

FEATURED TEACHER

Congratulations to Ms. Calarco for being named the CNYRIC's March 2019 Featured Teacher for her awesome STEAM initiatives and much more!



Victoria Calarco

Librarian/STEAM Instructor  
Owasco Elementary School  
Auburn Enlarged City School District



Owasco staff hard at work during our monthly faculty meeting in February.



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!  
every student present!

Bright futures begin with good school attendance

Missing just a few days of school a month can hurt a student's math and reading skills or even their chance of graduating. Keep your child on track with school work. Every day is a gift of education!

Please make sure your student is in school whenever possible. If your child is not present, please let the main office know by calling (315) 255-8720.

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## Students Organize a Recycling Club

Students in Mr. Jones' 5th grade class recently met with Superintendent Pirozzolo to discuss ways to reduce waste at their school. Reese Mallory, Antonella Piscioti, and Kylie Kazmierski noticed that trays and plastic ware were continually being tossed out on a daily basis, so they decided to do something about it. They first spoke with their principal who directed them to the superintendent. The students and the superintendent came to the conclusion that maybe a club at the school could make a difference. The students have begun working with Ms. Calarco, the school librarian, on how to form a club and the responsibilities of the leaders of the club. The students are all ready organizing a Recycling Club event to clean up the local neighborhood surrounding the school. With students willing to step up and make a difference, there is nothing that can't be accomplished without a little hard work and determination.

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**Please lend a hand, and be the difference in your own neighborhood!**

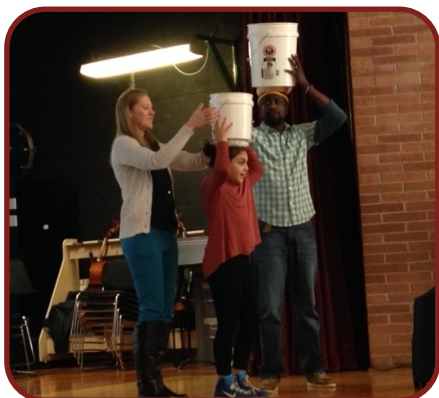
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## Student Environmentalists



Students Jeffrey Tiff, Bryan Wells, Haiden Klop, and Landon Paul were inspired to take action in their community by environmentalist Farmer Tantoh Nforba from Cameroon, Africa. Here they are presenting the plan they developed to clean up Bradford Park to Mayor Quill and Michael Talbot. These students and several others district-wide presented environmental themed projects at an Environmental Maker Fair Thursday, March 28.

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One of our students carrying water on her head Cameroon style!

## Book & Breakfasts



**L: Grade 1 Book & Breakfast**



**L: Grade 3 Book & Breakfast**



**Above: Grade 5 Book & Breakfast**

