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Dear Rye Neck Families,

Superintendent's Weekly Message

I am changing the frequency of my communications from a “weekly” to one on the first Monday of every month. My next message will be the first of these monthly Superintendent’s letters on April 3rd. This will better complement the comprehensive message you get from our principals on a regular basis.

I look forward to continuing my monthly spotlights on student achievements and the get-to-know our staff segments, and there will still be plenty to write about. Springtime is busy, with budget season, a host of student academic and extracurricular activities, and the culminating events that conclude our year in June. I will also be inviting families to attend discussions where they can share their thoughts on what programs and priorities they value in May and June.

Of course, if there is news or any critical announcement that must be shared immediately, I will always keep our community informed in a timely manner.

Art & Science

Congratulations to Ms. Feinman and all of our students and staff who collaborated on *Anastasia*, this year’s Rye Neck High School musical. I was so enthralled by the performance that I spent some time over the weekend reading about the real Anastasia Romanov, the legend of her possible survival, and how the effort of imposters to acquire the family fortune were eventually quashed by DNA evidence.

Speaking of science, I was also impressed by our K-2 students at the Daniel Warren Science Fair last Wednesday. Having a 5-year-old point a small finger up toward their project and explain a magnetic compass or how ink floats or all the other wondrous phenomena is seeing the first steps of what eventually becomes our students’ ability to showcase their knowledge at events such as the Rye Neck High School Research Symposium on April 18th. Along the way, they develop greater curiosity and capacity for research, which can be seen at the F.E. Bellows Science Expo (March 16th) and the Rye Neck Middle School Science and Technology Fair (March 23rd).

Best regards,

Dr. Eric Lutinski
Superintendent of Schools