

Spotlight On Education

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Students Hunt for Math Treasures at New Berlin

Students at New Berlin Elementary traveled a creative and exciting road to math discovery when their school hosted *The Great Math Treasure Hunt* on the evening of February 19.

Upon arriving at school, students received a treasure map to complete as they visited the various math stations. The stations, inspired by the school's theme for the year "*Ride the Tide and Dive in Deep*," included Pattern Island, Fishing for Numbers, Polygon Pirate Ships, Shapes That Pop and Pattern Hunt. Those who completed the treasure map received a no homework pass.



Students also enjoyed a visit from **Maggie the Reading Dog**. Maggie "read" the children math-related literature, and parents were given math strategies and Web sites to take home.

New Berlin's brand new full-life mascot "Champ the Bear" was introduced for the first time at the event. In the past, this mascot only has been seen in the form of a drawing, but his new costume brought him to life in front of the students.

Every year, the Math Family Night at New Berlin Elementary takes on a different theme. This is the first treasure-related family night the school has hosted.