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June 6, 2022 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



6/7	Board of Education Meeting - 6:30PM - Hall of Flags
6/10	Field Day (rain date 6/13)
6/10	Talent Show - 6PM - Outdoor Amphitheater - (weather permitting)
6/14	Parent & Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast - 8:15 in cafeteria
6/14	Good News Gathering - 8:45 in gym
6/14	6th Grade Promotion Night - 6PM
6/15	Last Day of School - Pre-Kindergarten - Dismissal at 11:15AM
6/15	Last Day of School - Dismissal at 1:15PM
8/31	First Day of School

BOTELLE LIBRARY NEWS

As we wrap up a school year filled with lots of great reading, it's time to get all of the library books back on the shelves. Students' library books are due back on Friday June 3. I will send home notices next week for any outstanding books. If you have any questions or want to know what books your child still has out, please email me at dubeckye@botelleschool.org.

This summer, instead of running a separate reading challenge, we are encouraging students to participate in the Norfolk Library's summer reading program. Students will receive recognition from the library and the school! Be on the lookout for more information going home soon.

Botelle will be having **A BOOK SWAP** on Tuesday 6/14. Students can recycle old books and get new books to read for the summer! For every book students donate, they get to pick a book at the swap tables. (Staff will be donating books as well, so even if students don't have a book to swap, they will be able to get one.) Please take this opportunity to clear out books your family no longer reads and get some new ones! Send donated books to school by Wednesday 6/8.

FIELD DAY

We are excited to announce that Botelle Field Day 2022 will take place in the morning on Friday, June 10th in the lower field. **Parents are welcomed and encouraged to volunteer.**

Any parent **interested in volunteering** can contact Mr. T-K at thornekaunelisw@botelleschool.org.

Students should bring shoes that can get wet, a change of clothes (including shoes) and towel. Please apply sunscreen/bug spray at home. **Parent Volunteers:** Anyone interested in staying and purchasing lunch, please contact Mrs. Lasko at laskom@botelleschool.org. Lunch will be: **Bosco Sticks with Marinara Sauce, Veggie Sticks, Watermelon, Ice Cream Sandwich and Milk**. The cost of an **adult lunch is \$5.00**.

PARENT & VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

Join us on Tuesday, June 14 at 8:15 in the cafeteria for a light breakfast in honor of YOU! A strong home-school and community-school partnership leads to success in the classroom for students. We want to thank you for all you do - from helping with homework to leading an afterschool program - your support means the world to us and our students. Please RSVP to Mrs. Lasko @ 860-542-5286 or laskom@botelleschool.org by Friday, June 10. We hope to see you there - and so do our students! Join us afterwards for the Good News Gathering starting at 8:45 in the gym!

NORFOLK LIBRARY NEWS

The Happy Beach Kick off Party for the Summer Reading program "Oceans of Possibilities" is on June 18th from 5-6 pm. A Caribbean Steel Drum Band will be playing happy beach music and is free and open to everyone. Plan on a family picnic and we will serve dessert. Bring your beach chairs, blankets and dinner. We will spread out on the lawn. If it's wet or too hot , we will move the beach party to the Great Hall. Don't forget to wear island attire . Show us your costumes from the Little Mermaid play. If you have any questions you may email Miss Eileen at efitzgibbons@biblio.org or call the Library 860 542 5075 ext 4.

Children will be receiving information about the Summer Reading Challenge!
All children must be registered in order to win a super duper prize. The forms will be given to the school and are available at the Norfolk Library.

Remember to check out what's happening on Mondays at 5:30 pm . Wonderful science and art programs.

NORTHWESTERN REGIONAL #7 FOOD TRUCK KINDNESS IN MOTION FESTIVAL

We would like to invite you and your school community to our *Second Annual Kindness in Motion Food Truck Festival on Saturday, June 4th from 12:00-6:00 pm at Northwestern Regional High School!* In addition to food trucks and music, there will be plenty of family friendly activities such as bounce houses, inflatables, sports, yard games, face painting...and more! We will also have a helicopter fly-in and a fire truck! There is something for all ages!

We are asking for a \$5 donation per person which will go directly towards funding our Kindness in Motion program for the 2022-23 school year. As you know, our Kindness in Motion program is an initiative aimed at promoting and spreading kindness. We would like to celebrate the end of a great year with this Festival!

Due to the pandemic, we have not been able to host this event since 2019. Here is the promotional video from the last food truck festival: <https://vimeo.com/340653826>

COVID UPDATES

Positive cases in school as of today: **0**

People quarantining: **0**

Please use the health screening tool daily to determine if your child should come to school.

Covid Protocols



Daily Screening For Parents

Every morning before you send your child to school, please check for the following:

-  Does your child have a temperature of **100.4 degrees** or greater?
-  Does your child have any other symptoms of COVID 19? *See the below list.*

Feeling
Feverish
Chills

Cough
Shortness of Breath
Difficulty Breathing

New Loss of
Taste and/or
Smell

Congestion
Runny Nose

Sore Throat

Fatigue
Headache

Nausea
Vomiting
Diarrhea

Muscle Pain

Keep Child
Home

-  Was your unvaccinated child in close contact* with anyone confirmed with COVID-19 within the last 2 weeks?
-  If the answer is **YES** to **ANY** of these questions, **DO NOT** send your child to school. Instead, **begin quarantine** of your child and contact your healthcare provider. Strongly consider COVID-19 testing.
-  If **ANYONE** in your home has been tested for COVID-19 (**excluding routine testing**) or is symptomatic, **DO NOT** send your unvaccinated child to school until the results have been obtained.
-  If your unvaccinated child has traveled, CDC Travel Guidelines advise that individuals who have traveled should quarantine for 7 days with a test on day 5.

COVID-19 Parents Screening Tool - **Subject to Change Based on New Data/Guidelines** - REVISED August 16, 2021

Thank you for all you do to keep our school community safe and healthy. It can be difficult to understand the health protocols. Here's a quick list of steps to follow if your child is presenting with any symptoms consistent with Covid.

1. Keep your child home and report the absence to the school nurse.
2. Call your child's doctor and follow their recommendations.
3. Your child can return to school with a negative Covid test and improved symptoms.

OR

4. Your child can return to school with an alternate diagnosis and note from the doctor and no or improved symptoms.
5. Call or email the school nurse to inform us of the return to school plan.

If your child is a close contact of a positive individual or anyone in the household is awaiting test results, please keep your child home and contact the school nurse. If your child is fully vaccinated and we have a record of that, you can inform us of the positive case and send your child to school.

MAKE UP WORK

If your child is home sick or awaiting test results, teachers can send home missed work so your child doesn't fall behind. Please allow 24 hours for our teachers to prepare the assignments, directions and materials. We want the work to be meaningful and doable for your child.

REMOTE LEARNING

Remote learning is only available to students who have a positive case of Covid or are a close contact due to an out of school exposure. Again, please allow 24 hours for our teachers to prepare the assignments, directions, and materials. Google Meets will be set up if the student has adult support available at home during live instruction. Otherwise, work will be available through SeeSaw or Google Classroom with a virtual conference with the teacher. Due to changes in the quarantine recommendations, we can provide virtual instruction if a student will be 3 days or more. If your child will be out for one or two days, teachers can provide students with assignments and will meet with your child upon their return to reteach as needed.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Thank you for joining us for the Celebration of Learning last week. It was wonderful to see your children showing off all they've learned in the classroom, MakerSpace, Art Show and during the Spring Concert. We are very proud of all our students have accomplished despite the absences and uncertainties associated with the ongoing pandemic. For many of our staff members, it was their first opportunity to participate in this Botelle tradition and they remarked that it was their favorite schoolwide event. It was a lovely evening and enjoyed by all!

If you haven't done so already, please complete the Parent Feedback Survey. We use your feedback to celebrate our strengths and set goals for how to improve. Botelle is a great school and we always look for ways to make it even better for our students and families.

[Parent Feedback Survey](#)