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March 14, 2022 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



- 3/11 2nd Marking Period ends
- 3/13 Spring Ahead - Daylight Saving Time Begins
- ~~3/15 Good News Gathering featuring former Norfolk teacher, Mrs. Cooper - **POSTPONED**~~
- 3/14 - 3/18 Spirit Week
- 3/18 Progress Reports go home
- 3/18 Roaring Brook Nature Center - here for Early Primary, Primary & Intermediate
- 3/23 Early Dismissal @ 1:00 for afternoon Parent Teacher Conferences ****New release time**
- 3/24 Early Dismissal @ 1:00 for evening Parent Teacher Conferences **** New release time**
- 3/31 Cultural Event - Art of Inspiration
- 4/1 Little Mermaid Jr. Production - 10:00AM & 7:00PM
- 4/2 Little Mermaid Jr. Production - 2:00PM

LOST & FOUND

We have accumulated a lot of unlabeled lost items. If your child has lost any items of clothing - shirts, flannels, socks, vests, sweatshirts or sweaters, please stop by the table by the main entrance during conferences on March 23rd & March 24th to claim items. Any unclaimed items will be given to Goodwill.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The PTO is holding a Scholastic Book Fair at the end of the month and is looking for volunteers. Volunteering at the Book Fair is the perfect way to stay connected to your child at school and help students find the books they can't wait to read. Click the link to sign up now and get ready for a fun and rewarding volunteer experience! <https://volunteer.scholastic.com/#/signup/eAmRYgEq5> If you have any questions, please email Erin Dubecky at dubecky@botelleschool.org

PRE-KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR

We are compiling a list of children who will be of pre-kindergarten age in September of 2022. Any Norfolk child born in 2018 or on January 1, 2019 is eligible for enrollment in our pre-kindergarten program. It is important for you to contact the school, so that we can plan for the coming school year and share with you important information about registration & orientation. **Please help us get the word out by telling your friends and neighbors who have a child that is**

eligible to attend pre-kindergarten thisfall. Please contact the school at (860) 542-5286 - ext. 200 or email mplasko.norfolk@snet.net to register your child.

NEWS FROM NORFOLK LIBRARY

CORNER CLUB at the NORFOLK LIBRARY

Corner Club is a **free** after school enrichment program for school age children.

On Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 3:50-4:50pm **Margaret Moody Puppets** present **Badger Meets the Fairies!** Alison Plante of Berklee School of Music composed the original music based on Celtic melodies. This gentle tale is based on European fairy lore. This is a special mid month program to celebrate National Puppet Day and St Patrick's Day.

On Wednesday March 30th at 3:50-4:50pm **The Sharon Audubon** presents **Animal Menagerie**. Come meet some birds, reptiles and insects!

If your child takes a bus to the Library, remember to bring a note to a school.


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.*



- ⚠ Was your unvaccinated child in close contact* with anyone confirmed with COVID-19 within the last 2 weeks?

X 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.

STOP 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.