



SOAR to new heights at Botelle School ~ Show self-control, Offer kindness & respect, Achieve your goals & be Ready to learn!

January 6, 2023 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



1/10	Hour with the Administrators - 6:00PM - #211
1/13	Early Dismissal - 1:00PM - Teacher PD
1/16	No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
2/7	Board of Education Meeting - 6:00PM - #211

SCHOOL RULES

We have noticed an increase in children chewing gum and using their cell phones while at school. Please note that gum is NOT allowed at school. We have found chewed pieces on the gym floor and other locations. We want to keep our school and buses clean.

Cell phones ARE allowed to be brought to school. However, students must keep them in backpacks throughout the day. They can not be used for games, texting, listening to music or making phone calls. Cell phones are a distraction from learning. Cell phones are used on the bus only. Please review these rules with your child, if you let them chew gum and use a cell phone. Thank you!

NEWS FROM THE NORFOLK LIBRARY

MERRYMAKERS STORY HOUR

This Story hour, starting Mondays Jan 23, 2023, is designed for K-2nd grade. We will share stories, crafts, conversation and music. Miss Eileen will tailor this afterschool program to the needs of the children. Please call the library to register your child by calling the Circulation Desk at 860 542 5075. The bus will drop the children off at the library at 3:30 and pick up time is 4:30pm. Children **must** be registered before joining the storytime.

PAGETURNERS BOOK CLUB

This book club has been popular for decades! Children in the 5th and 6th grade are welcome to join. It's really fun because we include related foods, maybe a movie or a guest at the meeting. Before I pick the book, I would like to hear who is interested. We will then choose a time best for most. Please email Miss Eileen at efitzgibbons@biblio.org and put Pageturners in the subject line. I would like to have the kids begin the book this month.

CORNER CLUB 2023

CHINESE NEW YEAR!

On Jan. 25th after school , LU LI will perform her acrobatic performance to celebrate the Year of the Rabbit. This dance will begin about 3:45 and parents are asked to pick up around 4:30pm. Children being dropped off at the Library do need a note. Fortune cookies included!

MUSIC AMONG NEIGHBORS

Join us to hear Trina Hamlin { Sam's Mother} give an amazing performance at the Norfolk Library on Saturday January 21st at 5-6pm. **Please register** so we know how many chairs to set up by calling the Library or visiting the website. Get a babysitter and make a night out of it!! Come hear her" powerhouse voice, sizzling harmonic chops andblending blues, folk, pop and rock"

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

On Feb. 4th at 1pm we invite you to enjoy the Sock Monkey Circus by Honey Goodenough. This puppet show is perfect for school age children who want to have a good laugh. This is the 12th anniversary of this national event.

NEWS FROM THE NURSE'S OFFICE

Per Public Act 21-116 please find a list of resources available to you for educational, safety, mental health, and food security resources and programs. The link is as follows [Resources for Families and Students](#). These resources will also be on our school website under the health and safety tab. Have a great weekend and let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at nurse@botelleschool.org or 860-542-1904.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

I hope you enjoyed the Class Dojo posts that recapped the beginning of the year! If you want to use Class Dojo as a way to communicate with your child's teachers and to see what wonderful things happen at Botelle, you can subscribe using this link.

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=school&schoolID=4eece572f64aa62934ed3b9e>

One of the wonderful things that happened this week was the cultural event sponsored by our PTO. A STEAM museum was set up in the Hall of Flags and students had an opportunity to learn about science, technology, engineering, art and math. Students worked together to build an arch and build structures with K'nex and gears. They played games that taught about electricity and making music. They even had an opportunity to put together and take apart skateboards. Colebrook students joined us and students had a lot of fun while learning! Check out the posts on Class Dojo to learn more.