



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

April 26, 2024 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



4/30	Town of Norfolk Town Hearing - 7:00PM - Hall of Flags
5/6	PTO Meeting - 5:00 PM - Cafeteria
5/7	Board of Education Meeting - 6:00PM - #211
5/10	Early Dismissal - 1:00PM
5/11	Lions Club Pancake Breakfast - Botelle Cafeteria - 8:00AM
5/13	Early Primary & Primary to Warner Theater
5/14	** Hour with Admins at the Norfolk Hub - <i>rescheduled from April 9th - 6:00PM</i>
5/17	Upper Intermediate Dance - 6PM - 7:30PM
5/22	6th Grade Cooperative Games Day @NWR7
5/23	Move Up Day for 6th Graders
5/27	No School - Memorial Day
5/28 - 5/31	Upper Intermediate Class Trip to Charlton MA
5/31	Kindergarten - 4th Grade to Roaring Brook Nature Center
6/3	Field Day (raindate: 6/5)
6/3	Celebration of Learning - 5:30 PM - Art Show & Spring Concert
6/4	Board of Education Meeting - 6:00PM - #211
6/7	Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast & GNG
6/10	6th Grade Promotion Night
6/12	Last Day of School - Early Dismissal - 1:15PM
8/28	First Day of School

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Students and staff enjoyed Earth Day. Learning about nature, gardening and pollinators with guest teachers from the community, along with hands-on activities, really engaged our students. Students had a guided hike with Matt and Vicki from Great Mountain Forest. They planted seeds for a salsa garden with Mr. Wilde and his Vo-Ag students from Northwestern. Ms. Eileen and Bina, from the Norfolk Library, read them an Earth Day book and helped them create seed balls that, when planted at home, will attract pollinators. Our staff also planned learning stations like making instruments from recycled items, painting kindness rocks and making pinecone and peanut butter bird feeders.

The finale was planting our Unity Tree. Each student shoveled some dirt in the hole until our tree was firmly planted in the ground. In the fall, its leaves will turn bright orange and remind us of the importance of including and accepting all. The tree is planted near the lower driveway, on the grassy hill, across from the playground path. Thanks to Mrs. Bottom and Zach from the Norfolk landscaping company, Consolini and Tonan, for donating the tree, digging the hole and giving your time. Families, I hope you saw the pictures of students on Class Dojo!

During the next two weeks, students in grades 3-6 will complete a series of assessments called Smarter Balanced. Your child brought home on Friday a letter with more information.