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## December 9, 2022 Newsletter

### IMPORTANT DATES



12/13	Hour with the Administrators - 6:00 PM
12/15	Good News Gathering - 8:45 AM
12/16	PJ Day
12/20 - 12/22	Holiday Fair - Hall of Flags - 9:00 - 11:00
12/19 - 12/23	Holiday Spirit Week
12/23	All School Sing-Along - 10:30 - Gym
12/23	Early Dismissal - 1:00 PM
12/26 - 1/2/23	Winter Break
1/3	Board of Education Meeting - Room #211 - 6:00PM
1/5	Cultural Event - Hall of Flags

### PTO HOLIDAY FAIR DONATIONS

The PTO will be holding their annual non-profit Holiday Fair in December. The purpose is to allow Botelle students to shop for holiday gifts for family members. Gifts are priced (with a few exceptions) between \$1.00 and \$4.00. The children take great joy in selecting gifts for people in their lives! **We are asking for your help. If you could donate 5 - 8 items to the fair it would be greatly appreciated. Homemade items, pet treats, golf balls, socks, pencils, note pads, calendars are just a few ideas and are always desirable items.** All donations may be sent into school to the main office. Thank you for your support!

### NORTHWESTERN REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Greetings from the students of the Northwestern Regional Agricultural Education Program! We are excited to be offering some holiday sales items again this year. Please find attached our order form which can be used if you would like to place an order. Order forms can be sent in with a current student or emailed to: [ewildes@nwr7.org](mailto:ewildes@nwr7.org). It is important that you fill out all the necessary information on the order form and select your preference for a pick up time at the top of the order form. Orders can be picked up at the greenhouse at the selected time. We hope you have a great holiday season and as always, thank you for your support.

## **HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK- December 19th - 23rd**

Merry Monday -Wear your merriest **headwear**.think antlers, headbands and hats!

Twinkle Tuesday-Wear holiday **twinkle and bling**.... jewelry, lights, and accessories!

Winter Wonderland Wednesday-**Wear white!**

Tinsel Toes Thursday-Wear your favorite **holiday socks!**

Festive Friday-Wear **festive clothes** and **ugly sweaters!**

## **NEWS FROM THE NURSE'S OFFICE**

1. Botelle School is still following the Test, Mask, Go Protocol and there have been no changes to this protocol. Please continue to utilize the Covid-19 Symptoms Decision Tree and resources that were sent home at the beginning of the year. This information can also be found on the school website under the Health/Safety tab. Thank you for your continued communication with the Health Office and sending negative Covid test results via email.

2. Please know we do go outside for recess as long as the temperature is 20 degrees or higher including the wind chill. Please send your children to school with full snow gear (hats, gloves, coats, snow pants, and boots). It is required in order to play in the snow and it also keeps them warm in the freezing temperatures.

3. Things to come..... Please know that a letter and Covid-19 home test kits will be sent home with children before the winter break. This is to ensure everyone has a test available to them if needed over the holiday break. If you would prefer your child/children's test kits are not sent home via backpack mail. Please contact the Health Office at [Nurse@botelleschool.org](mailto:Nurse@botelleschool.org) or 860-542-1904 and I will be happy to have the test kit in the Main Office available for you to pick up at your convenience.

## **NEWS FROM THE NORFOLK LIBRARY**

On Mondays, Dec 12 and 19, Miss Eileen will tell delightful Holiday stories and offer a craft to make for the children to take home or to put up in the Children's Room. Please call the Library to let us know you are coming so there are plenty of materials for all. This program runs right after school to 4:45pm.

On Wednesday, Dec, 14th, after school, please join us for a Cardboard Gingerbread Village Construction craft project. Erica Crofut and Miss Eileen will help the children with this fanciful project. Please let us know if you are coming so we have enough materials. Pick up time is 4:45pm.

Norfolk Library Vacation Week Programs

Seattle Children's Film Festival at the library!

On Tuesday, Dec. 27, 4-5pm come enjoy these award-winning short animated films from around the world. All ages!

On Thursday ,Dec. 29, 4-5:30pm, come enjoy award winning short live-action films from around the world. Ages 8 and up!

TAIKOZA - On Friday, Dec 30th 4pm , bring the whole family to hear the big sounds of Japanese drumming. Registrations can be made on the Norfolk Library website for the vacation programs

## **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

PJ Day is on Friday, December 16th! We are raising money in support of children with cancer. Every year CCMC holds the "PJ Day for the Kids" fundraiser for businesses and schools/ Their goal is to raise awareness of childhood cancer and show solidarity for children who spend a lot of time in their pajamas while fighting this terrible disease. Botelle has an online donation page or you can send your child to school with a dollar. When we reach our goal of \$100, our students and staff will wear PJs this Friday. Here is the link to donate online. <https://give.connecticutchildrens.org/fundraiser/4312351>