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## October 29, 2021 Newsletter

### IMPORTANT DATES



- 10/29 Boo-telle Spooktacular - Covered Playground - 5:30 - 7:30
- 11/1 PTO Meeting - 6:00PM
- 11/2 No School - Teacher In-Service
- 11/9 Board of Education Meeting - 6:00PM - Room #211
- 11/12 Marking Period Ends
- 11/19 Progress Reports Sent Home
- 11/22 Early Dismissal @ 1:05
- 11/23 Early Dismissal @ 1:05
- 11/22 & 23 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11/24 - 11/26 No School - Thanksgiving Break

### FIRST ROUND SOCCER PLAYOFF GAMES -SATURDAY!

This Sunday, the 31st, both Norfolk soccer teams (3/4 grade and 5/6 grade) will be hosting their first round playoff games at the Botelle fields. The #2 seeded 3/4 grade team will be playing at 10:30 am, and the #1 seeded 5/6 grade team will tentatively be playing at 11:00 am (just waiting on final verification from the opposing team). Both teams have had amazing seasons and are hoping for a championship run! Please come down to the Botelle soccer fields and cheer on the kids!

### VETERANS DAY FAMILY MEMBERS

Even though our annual Veterans Day Assembly will not be held with guests this year, we still want to celebrate and honor Norfolk veterans and the veterans in our families. We are in the process of writing short letters of gratitude and will be recording our Veterans Day Assembly and posting it to Botelle's website for all to watch. If you have a family member that is a veteran or on active duty, we would love to honor them!

Contact Mrs. Lasko in the office to add a name to our list or confirm a name and mailing address. Thank you.

### VETERANS DAY SLIDESHOW

On Friday, November 12 we will celebrate Veterans Day with a whole school assembly. We are disappointed that our veterans and guests will not be able to join us in person, but we are streaming and recording the assembly so it can be enjoyed by all. To help our students learn more about our local veterans we want to create a slideshow with pictures of the veterans we invite to the assembly. If you know a local veteran, encourage him or her to email or drop off a picture. We want to know the name, branch of service, rank, rate, and years served. Call the main office with any questions.

## NEWS FROM THE NORFOLK LIBRARY

This past week Ericka Crofut led another amazing art project for students at Corner Club. The next Corner Club will also be led with this art educator but due to the holiday will be Wednesday Nov. 17th after school at 3:45 - 4:45pm. This program is limited to 12 students and a notice will be sent out closer to the date.

Pageturners book club just finished discussing *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds and will be reading *Because of Mr. Terupt* by Roy Buyea next month.



## COVID UPDATES

Positive cases in school this week: 1

People quarantining: 1

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.

### **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 are quarantining due to a positive case of Covid or is a close contact. 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.



### **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

Excitement is in the air! Many of our staff and students enjoyed the day in Halloween costumes. We hope to see you this evening at the Boo-telle Spooktacular. It is sure to be a fun event. Thank you to our PTO for your time and effort in making this much beloved family event enjoyable for all. Remember to dress for the weather, as most of the festivities will be in the covered playground. While we consider the covered playground an outdoor space, if social distancing is not possible, wearing a face covering is recommended. You may have heard we have a positive COVID case, which is all the more reason to be extra cautious in large groups, even when outdoors.

It's hard to believe that November 1st is Monday! A lot happens this month- the Veterans Day Assembly, progress reports, parent-teacher conferences and Thanksgiving! Your child's academic progress and achievement is increased with a strong home-school partnership. Conferences between the child's family and teacher is one way to build that partnership. Conferences allow us to show examples of your child's growth and achievement and discuss how you can support your child's learning at home. Right now we are planning for in person conferences between families and teachers. Conferences are Monday, November 22 and Tuesday November 23. Evening conferences are Monday and afternoon conferences are on Tuesday. Look out for the conference slips coming home soon so you can sign up. If you have any questions about your child's progress, prior to conferences, please contact your child's teacher(s). They are always available to discuss your child's performance at school. It's why we are here!

Have a spooktacular weekend little ghosts, goblins and ghouls! Happy Halloween.