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February 24, 2023 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



- 3/7 Board of Education Meeting - 6:00 PM - #211
- 3/8 6th Grade Parent Meeting regarding Nature's Classroom - 5:30PM
- 3/9 Upper Intermediate - American Mural Project Field Trip
- 3/10 End of 2nd Marking Period
- 3/13 - 3/17 Spirit Week
- 3/14 Upper Intermediate to Colebrook School - Internet Program
- 3/14 Hour with Administrators - 6:00PM
- 3/15 Tanglewood Marionettes - Morning Cultural Event
- 3/17 2nd Progress Report Goes Home
- 3/17 Roaring Brook Nature Center here for Early Primary K - Intermediate
- 3/17 Pizza/Movie Night
- 3/22 Early Dismissal - 1:00PM - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 3/23 Early Dismissal - 1:00PM - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 3/28 PreK Screening for 23/24 School Year
- 3/29 NWR7 Budget Meeting - Cafeteria - 6:30PM
- 3/30 PreK Screening for 23/24 School Year
- 3/31 Botelle Musical - Aladdin, Jr. - 10:00AM & 6:00PM
- 4/1 Botelle Musical - Aladdin, Jr. - 2:00PM
- 4/3 - 4/6 6th Grade Trip to Nature's Classroom
- 4/4 Board of Education Meeting - 6:00PM - #211
- 4/6 Early Dismissal - 1:00PM - Teacher PD
- 4/7 No School - Good Friday

PRE-KINDERGARTEN SCREENING 2023 - 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

We are compiling a list of children who will be of pre-kindergarten age in September of 2023. Norfolk children born in 2019 or on January 1, 2020 are 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 this

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

NEWS FROM THE NORFOLK LIBRARY

Chess Anyone ?

This Saturday Feb. 25th at 10:30-11:30 will be the last class until we get more interest from the community. It was a wonderful experience with Jeff Sheft.

Celebrating Women's History Month

On March 6th at 6:30, the Norfolk Library will screen *SELMA* by the acclaimed director Ava DuVernay. Please join us to watch the epic march which began March 7th 1965 from Selma to Montgomery that changed the world forever. A discussion afterwards will be led by Pastor Erick Olsen for those who wish to stay. This movie is rated PG-13 and is recommended for teens and adults.

Marionette Manipulation

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at working a marionette?

Come join us and the Tanglewood Puppeteers on Wednesday, March 15th at 3:30 pm. Please register with the Library and bring a note to school if you want to take the bus to the Library. This program is open to 24 kids ages 8 and up. Registration is necessary.

Irish Concert

Circle this date! March 19th at 5:30 pm, *TEADA* will be gracing the Great Hall with Celtic tunes. This is a family concert but registrations are necessary. This Irish music series has been part of this community for over 20 years! The concert will be about 1 hour and doors open at 5pm.

Corner Club

Wild Magic

Join Wildlife Rehabilitator and Animal Control Officer, Angela Grano on March 29th after school, for an interactive wildlife program. Every person will leave with a better understanding on how we can help the lives of creatures around us. Please pick up your children at 4:30 pm.

Last but not least....

READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

Thursday, March 2nd is Read Across America Day! It's a day where we celebrate a love of reading. At Botelle, we will celebrate in a few ways. Students can come to school dressed as their favorite book character. Think Piggie or Gerald, Dog Man, Cam Jansen, or Harry Potter, to name a few. Students can also wear clothing with words. Start planning those outfits!

We will gather as a school for a read aloud and then learning buddies will have an opportunity to read together.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

A parent came to school the other day and complimented us on our morning announcements routine. They didn't know that upper intermediate students led the school in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The parent was proud that our students began each day showing respect for our nation and flag. This made me think about the wonderful things that happen at Botelle that our

school community might not even know about! Our students are very involved in the daily happenings of our school and play an important role in making our school the fantastic place it is. Here are just a few of the many traditions our students participate in~

- ★ All school concerts, like the Winter Showcase which features instrumental and choral music
- ★ Projects that pique our students' interests, like the PIP project and the Informational poster project/electronic book maker, and hatching salmon eggs to release in the Farmington River
- ★ Community service projects like Pajama Day or the Souper-Bowl, where students bring in canned goods to vote for the Super Bowl winner
- ★ 6th grade Pasta Supper, where students serve dinner to members of the community to raise money for the annual overnight trip to Nature's Classroom
- ★ School jobs, like raising and lowering the flag, collecting notes from classrooms and picking up teachers' messages, morning announcements and the "All Out Up and Down" students who inform the bus drivers that everyone is ready to go home