



**BOTELLE**

**SCHOOL**

## March 8, 2021 Newsletter

### IMPORTANT DATES



- 3/14 Daylight Savings Time Begin - Spring Ahead
- 3/15 - 3/18 Spirit Week
- 3/19 2<sup>nd</sup> Progress Report goes home
- 3/22 Parent Teacher Conferences - Evening
- 3/23 Early Dismissal - 1:10
- 3/23 Parent Teacher Conferences - Afternoon

### KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

Hello Botelle Families,

It's Mr. TK. I want to remind you that our Kids Heart Challenge (formerly called "Jump Rope For Heart") event will be taking place on Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. This event will occur during students regular PE class time. As we have talked about, we want every student to live a heart-healthy lifestyle, and that can start by taking one of the American Heart Association's Heart Challenges!

If you haven't already, please click below on the Kids Heart Challenge link to get started. I challenge YOU to sign up online today. It's fun and easy, and just for registering, you receive a free Heart Hero wristband!! Click here: [Botelle Web Site](#) With heart, Mr. TK

### SPIRIT WEEK - MARCH 15 - MARCH 19

#### Wacky Tacky - Monday

From crazy hair to funky feet and mismatch mayhem in middle ...  
This is the day to indulge your inner wacky!

#### Beach Day - Tuesday

Bust out your colorful Hawaiian shirt or your favorite sand and surf attire.  
Just remember - it may be summer in our hearts, but it's still winter here in Norfolk ... dress for fun *and* the weather!

#### Go Green! - Wednesday

Happy St. Patrick's Day! Wishing you a pot o' gold, and all the joy your heart can hold. It's sure to be a sham-ROCKIN' school day!!

#### Rock the Rainbow - Thursday

Wear the color of your class! 6th=Red, 5th=Orange, 3rd/4th=Yellow,  
1st/2nd=Green, & PreK/K=Blue

#### PJ Day - Friday

Wear your jammies to school and enjoy a cozy movie with your classmates!

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

We are beginning to compile our 2021-2022 pre-kindergarten roster for children born in 2017 or on January 1, 2018. Please contact the school office to make sure your child is included on our roster for the upcoming school year at (860) 542-5286 - ext. 200 or email [laskom@botelleschool.org](mailto:laskom@botelleschool.org) . Registration forms will be mailed out to in May.

Do you know of someone that is new to Norfolk? If so, please be sure to pass this information along to them.

## 2021 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGISTRATION - IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!

Registration forms were sent home today via Blackboard Connect. The registration fee is \$20 for your first child & \$15 for other children in your family. Checks made out to "Town of Norfolk" and returned to Botelle School. Please call Marc Crone at 860-508-1598 with questions. Forms must be returned to Botelle School by Friday, February 26, 2021

## SHARED SERVICES INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM (SSIP)

The SSIPP is an integrated preschool program serving the needs of children ages 3 to 5 in the towns of Barkhamsted, Colebrook, Hartland and Norfolk. The program is located at the Barkhamsted School and follows the Barkhamsted School calendar.

A screening is being offered on **March 24, March 25, and March 26, 2021**, for parents who have concerns regarding their child's development. The screening process helps to identify children who may need intervention to perform successfully in school. Identified children will qualify to become a participant in the Shared Services Preschool Program. Parents who are interested in having their child attend Shared Services Integrated Preschool Program as a **role model** must submit their child's name at this time as well. In the event that there are more role model applicants than slots, a lottery will be held.

To be eligible for the program, children must live in Barkhamsted, Colebrook, Hartland, or Norfolk; be age 3 by September 1; and must have attended the screening. The lottery will be held on March 29 and parents will be notified of lottery results by March 31, 2021.

Please call the preschool program, before 9 a.m. or after 3 p.m. at 860-379-2729 ext. 202 to schedule a screening for your child. Applications for the preschool program will be available at the screening. This year the screening will be held virtually. Individual Zoom meetings will be arranged for each child. In March, each family registered for the screening will receive an email with the meeting information and a short list of materials that will be needed for the screening tasks.

## PROGRAMS AT THE NORFOLK LIBRARY

Four TAP lessons starting Wednesday afternoons on March 3rd for ages 9 - 99 yrs!

For anyone who ever wanted to give Tap Dancing a try, this is a fun class for the whole family to participate in!! Class includes warm-up exercises and a short tap routine. Tap shoes and a piece of plywood would be ideal, though you can also take this class in hard soled shoes or even socks. Hard floor is preferred over rugs! This class will be taught by Amber Cameron, who is a Radio City Music Hall Rockette! Information about purchasing shoes on the Library website. Let Miss Eileen know if you want her to pick out books for the family. She might even deliver!

Join Food Explorers to make Cinnamon Sugar Knots with a Registered Dietitian! March 9<sup>th</sup> - 5:00PM - 6:00PM. This yeast free dough uses Greek yogurt to make a fluffy texture! You'll need the following ingredients: butter, sugar, baking powder, brown sugar, cinnamon, vanilla Greek yogurt, flour, salt and optional vanilla extract. This is a family-friendly program and an adult should be supervising in the kitchen. Please register here to be emailed the Zoom link or call the Library 860-542-5075.



## COVID UPDATES

Positive cases in school this week: 0

People quarantining: 0



## **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

Students and staff enjoyed Read Across America week with fun activities that celebrate the joys of reading. Thanks to Mrs. Incillo for planning meaningful reading experiences for our students that match what readers do - from finding a cozy spot for reading to recommending books to others. Classroom doors were decorated with books from favorite authors, reading tents were made with blankets and desks and students published book recommendations for others readers to see.

Children develop a love of reading by hearing stories read to them and establishing a reading routine. You can help at home by carving out time to listen to books while driving in the car, reading together before bed, visiting the library and giving the gift of books on birthdays and holidays.

Up next is PTO Spirit Week. We are looking forward to the fun events that showcase Botelle School spirit!