# SCHOOL

## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

April 24, 2020

Dear Botelle Families,

I hope the first week back from April Break was a successful one for your child. It was great to see them in Morning Meeting, Reading and Math. Interactions on Meet with classmates and teachers are a key benefit of our distance learning plan. I love popping into a virtual lesson and seeing them answering questions, discussing a book or solving a math problem. Our teachers and students (and families) have made a huge adjustment and are truly demonstrating the value of life-long learning and resilience.

Next week, students will be participating in virtual writing lessons beginning at 11:15. This marks the start of the final phase of our implementation plan. Now that our plan is up and running, your feedback is extremely important. Please complete this <u>survey</u> so we know what's working and what we can modify.

Enjoy the weekend. I'm hoping for some warmer weather!!!

#### IMPORTANT DATES-

- 4/27 Live Writing Instruction begins. See the website for the schedule.
- 4/28 BOE Meeting @ 6. Join with Zoom. Click on the <u>link</u> to join.
- 4/29 Live Tech Help with Mrs. Dubecky. Click on the <u>link</u> to join. The link is also on the website.

### NEW-

- LIVE Writing Lessons start next week.
- First Chapter Fridays! Mrs. Dubecky reads aloud the first chapter of a new book for students in grades 3-6. Check it out on Google Classroom.
- Fun Story Fridays! Mrs. Dubecky reads aloud a picture books for students in PK-2. Check it out on Seesaw.
- Mrs. Ayers has healthy immune-boosting recipes on her website. Yum!

### ATTENDANCE-

- If your child is sick and will be unable to participate in live instruction or complete assignments, please email your child's teacher and Mrs. Lasko.
- Teachers and staff take attendance daily. Students are reported as present if they attend live instruction OR complete their assignments.

### WEBSITE-

Please visit our website for distance learning resources and information. If you've
misplaced important information that was sent home in print or electronically, you can
find it on the website. <a href="https://www.botelleschool.org">www.botelleschool.org</a>

### LOCAL RESOURCES-

There are resources available to children and families in need during social distancing.
 Please contact the First Selectman, Matt Riiska at 860-542-5829 or by email at firstselectman@norfolkct.org

Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions big and small. We are happy to help! You can email me, message me through Class Dojo or Seesaw or call me at 860-840-7818.

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