



BOTELLE

SCHOOL

March 19, 2021 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES



- 3/22 Parent Teacher Conferences – Evening
- 3/23 Early Dismissal at 1:00
- 3/23 Parent Teacher Conferences – Afternoon
- 4/1 Early Dismissal at 12:00 – Bag Lunch Sent Home – Teacher PD
- 4/2 No School – Good Friday
- 4/12 – 4/16 Spring Break – No School

Battell Arts Foundation Scholarship

Two (2) scholarships will be awarded to eligible and worthy applicants for study or experience in the arts. The standard award is \$500, although the Committee retains the right to be flexible in especially deserving circumstances. Criteria for application:

- A resident of Norfolk or Colebrook
- Under the age of 18 or enrolled in school grades 4-12
- Currently engaged in an artistic endeavor
- In need of financial assistance
- Criteria for selection:
 - Quality and specificity of application materials
 - Established history of applicant's artistic endeavor
 - Assessment of applicant's significant financial need

Process:

I. The applicant should address a letter to the Battell Arts Foundation Scholarship Committee detailing the following. This letter should be written by the applicant him/herself when age-appropriate.

- Applicant's age and educational affiliation
- The proposed activity or experience, along with an estimated cost
- How the activity or experience will benefit the applicant
- The applicant's past experience in relation to this activity or experience
- The applicant's financial need
- How the applicant will use the scholarship funds

II. A letter of recommendation supporting the applicant is also required. This letter must be from a teacher, artistic mentor, or non-family interested party.

No scholarship application will be considered without an accompanying letter of recommendation.

III. The letter of application and accompanying recommendation must be post-marked or received via email by Monday, April 12, 2021.

Mail: Battell Arts Foundation
PO Box 181, Norfolk, CT 06058

Email: Hodgkin.tom@gmail.com

HELLO FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Our annual vision screening program by the Lions Club will be next week! On 3/24/21 the local Lions Club in our community will conduct a free vision screening for all children enrolled at Botelle School. The screening equipment being used may determine the presence of eye disorders including far and near sightedness, astigmatism, anisometropia, strabismus and anisocoria. The screening is done by a photographic process from a distance of three feet. No physical contact is made with the child and no eye drops are administered. The information obtained from this vision screening is preliminary only, and does not constitute a complete exam or diagnosis of vision problems. The results of your child's individual screening will be provided to you along with notification for any results not within normal limits that recommend a referral to a health care provider. Please contact the Health Office at 860-542-1904 with any questions or concerns.

Just a friendly reminder; if your child is out absent for non Covid related reasons please ensure they return with a school excuse note or proper documentation for their absence to be excused.

The Health Office is in need of clothing. Would you consider donating gently used pants, sweatpants or leggings that your children have outgrown? All sizes are needed. If your child has borrowed clothing from the Health Office please wash and return them.

Healthy Tip from the Health Office

Satisfy your sweet tooth by indulging in a naturally sweet dessert dish - fruit! Serve a fresh fruit cocktail or a fruit parfait made with yogurt. For a hot dessert, bake apples and top with cinnamon.

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 . 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.



COVID UPDATES

Positive cases in school this week: 0

People quarantining: 1



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

We are very proud of our students' progress over this past marking period. Yesterday you received your child(ren)'s progress report that describes how they are currently performing with the grade level standards. At conferences, teachers will provide examples of your child's work that illustrates their growth and understanding of what they are learning. You'll hear more about their strengths, areas for growth and how you can support their learning at home.

Your child also knows a lot about their strengths and areas for growth. At Botelle, our students can describe what they are learning and what they have to do to be successful in learning it. They can identify strengths and areas for growth in their own work. They can also use what they know to evaluate their peers and give them feedback to improve. So talk with your child about some of the areas on their progress report and see what they have to say about their strengths and next steps as learners.

At school we call these "Glows and Grows". A glow is a strength in a student's work and a grow is an area for improvement. When students give feedback on assignments they identify glows and grows. Students use the grow feedback to improve their work and learning. When students practice self and peer assessing, it strengthens their learning and leads to greater achievement. Ask your child about the glows and grows they've received on their work.