



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

April 10, 2020

Dear Botelle Families,

As you may already know, Governor Lamont announced yesterday that schools will remain closed until May 20. This was disappointing but expected news. While we would love to have our students back at Botelle, we are encouraged by their engagement in distance learning. We love interacting with them and seeing their progress. Thank you for all you have done to support your child during this transition despite the challenges inherent in this new learning environment. Parents are an enormous part of their child's success in school and that's never been more true.

We appreciate your feedback about how distance learning is going. Our teachers are grateful to know how much you appreciate them and their efforts. During the parent meetings this week, Dr. Iacobelli, Mrs. Dubecky and I took note of your concerns and suggestions so we can make improvements moving forward. If you were unable to attend the meetings, please don't hesitate to contact me or your child's teacher(s). We are here to help.

Enjoy the upcoming week off. When we return, we will continue with Phase 2 of our distance learning plan. For more information, please visit our [website](#).

### IMPORTANT DATES-

- 4/10-4/12 Bunny Scavenger Hunt
- 4/14 Board of Finance ZOOM Meeting
- 4/13-4/17 Spring Break There will be **NO SCHOOL**.
- 4/20 Live instruction for Morning Meeting, Reading and Math continues at 8:30, 9 and 10:15am. Your child's teacher will create meetings in Google Meet so your child can join.

### 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.
- If your child is unable to attend a lesson with support staff, please send an email to them. Otherwise they wait for the entire session to see if the student joins.

- 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. [www.botelleschool.org](http://www.botelleschool.org)

### LOCAL RESOURCES-

- There are resources available to children and families. Please contact the First Selectman, Matt Riiska at 860-542-5829 or by email at [firstselectman@norfolkct.org](mailto: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.

Enjoy the holiday and upcoming Spring Break.

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