

Botelle School Newsletter

September 17, 2018



September 28	Lion's Club Vision Screening
October 2	PTO Cultural Event – Motion 360 – 9:00AM – Hall of Flags
October 2	PTO Meeting – Cafeteria – 6:00PM
October 5	No School – Teacher In-Service Day
October 8	No School – Columbus Day
October 9	Board of Education Meeting – 5:30PM - #211
October 10	6 th Grade Parent Meeting – Informational – Cape Cod – 5:30PM - #104
October 23	Good News Gathering – 8:45AM – Hall of Flags

NORFOLK AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

Please take a minute to complete the attached NASP transportation survey. Thank you.

ARTWORKS BY SUSAN ROOD ON EXHIBIT AT THE NORFOLK LIBRARY

Students and parents are invited to attend Mrs. Rood's Art Exhibit, *Multiple Possibilities: Linocuts and Monotypes* at the Norfolk Library. The show may be viewed during regular hours through the month of September.

STORYTIMES AT THE NORFOLK LIBRARY 2018

The LUNCH BUNCH is for Pre K kids who sign up to join the Library Storytime. The children may take the bus {if you have a note} to the Library and Miss Eileen meets the children. The little ones bring their simple lunch and after we eat, stories are read, songs are sung, puppets get playful and a jolly time is had by all.

A registration form must be filled out BEFORE the storyhour begins on September 26th.

Forms will be at the school and Library. The Lunch Bunch is every Wednesdays until early December. Pickup time is 12:30pm

The MERRYMAKERS is for Kindergarten/First Graders who sign up to participate. The bus will drop the kids off after school {if they have a note} and they will be joined with Eileen Fitzgibbons, Head of the Children's Services. Together the students will share a healthy snack, listen to stories and create art work from recycled items. We let the imagination lead us in the Storyhours! Merry Makers begins on September 24th. **Forms will be at the school and Library.** Miss Eileen must have the completed forms BEFORE the storytime series start. Merrymakers will be on every Monday {except Holidays} until early December. Pickup time is 4:30.

Please call Miss Eileen with any questions at the Library 860 542 5075 or email her at

efitzgibbons@biblio.org

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

On Wednesday, Kayleigh-Raine visited me in my office to give me a colorful poster she made that said, "Yay School!" As you can imagine, I was very enthusiastic about this gift because it sums up how we want all children to feel about the start of the new school year. It also matches how the Botelle School staff DOES feel about the new school year and the privilege of teaching your children. I'm sure that came through loud and clear when you visited your child's teach at Open House.

It was so nice to see so many of you at Open House on Wednesday, September 12. We started in the gym as a whole school to meet our staff- new and returning, get excited about the new school year, learn about SOAR and ways to get involved in our PTO. Then parents and guardians went to their child(ren)'s classroom to learn about the upcoming year from the classroom teacher. Mrs. Rood and Ms. Kleisner met families in the Hall of Flags and shared information about the art and music programs at Botelle. Be sure to check out the brochure attached to this newsletter about our specialists- when they are here and what their programs are all about.

We concluded our first full week of school with a Good News Gathering. We meet monthly(ish) as a whole school and celebrate our accomplishments, learn about SOAR through skits, poems and songs and get to know one another a little more. We start our gatherings with a whole school circle where we share a little bit about ourselves with one another. The topic for Friday's circle was, *This year I'd like to learn more about....* Students wanted to learn more about their classmates, teachers, soccer, sports, history, science and math (to name a few). This is sure to be a wonderful school year filled with learning and fun!

Have a great week!