

FROM THE SCHOOL COUSELOR

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S GRIEF AWARENESS MONTH. THE HOLIDAY SEASON CAN TRIGGER STRONG EMOTIONS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED GRIEF AND LOSS AS THEY ADJUST TO CELEBRATING WITHOUT THE PERSON WHO IS NO LONGER WITH THEM. THE FRIENDS OF AINE IS OFFERING A WINTER SERIES OF PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT GROUPS BEGINNING ON JANUARY 7TH. YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE GROUPS HERE: <u>PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT - FRIENDS OF AINE</u>. THE WINTER SERIES SCHEDULE CAN BE FOUND HERE: <u>PROGRAM SCHEDULE - FRIENDS OF AINE</u>. YOU CAN FIND A LINK TO REGISTER ON THE SCHEDULE PAGE. DROP-IN SESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE WITH THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR FOR ANY STUDENTS WHO EXPERIENCE STRONG EMOTIONS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON. PLEASE FEEL TO EMAIL <u>(KATHY.BROWN@SAU19.ORG)</u> OR CALL AT 603-487- 2211 X5736.

BOBCAT PRRRIDE PREP RALLY

OUR FIRST BOBCAT PRRRIDE PEP RALLY WITH TAKE PLACE WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27TH AT 8:30AM. SHOW YOUR BOBCAT PRRRIDE BY WEARING BLUE OR YELLOW! WE WILL BE COLLECTING DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TO DONATE TO THE GOFFSTOWN NETWORK FOOD PANTRY, WHICH SUPPORTS FAMILIES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY THE PANTRY IS MOST IN NEED OF: • CANNED GOODS (SOUP, VEGETABLES, FRUIT, BEANS, BAKED BEANS, TUNA FISH, TOMATO SAUCE)

- PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
- CANNED MEALS, SUCH AS RAVIOLI AND BEEF STEW
- BOXED GOODS (PASTA, RICE, MACARONI AND CHEESE, DRY SOUP)
- PACKS OF INDIVIDUAL FRUIT CUPS, SNACK BARS AND PEANUT BUTTER/CHEESE CRACKERS



RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE & READY TO LEARN

VOLUNTEER PROCESS

DESIGNATED VOLUNTEER / FINGERPRINTING FOR FIELD TRIPS

DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR THERE MAY BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR VOLUNTEERING AT THE SCHOOL. ANY PARENT THAT IS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO CHAPERONE ON THEIR CHILD'S FIELD TRIP IF THE OPPORTUNITY ARISES WILL NEED TO BE BACKGROUND CHECKED AND FINGERPRINTED. PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW PROCEDURES.

THE GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT (GPD) HAS PARTNERED WITH SAU 19 TO PROVIDE A COMMUNITY SERVICE TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS. GPD WILL NOW ACCEPT SAU 19 VOLUNTEERS AT THE POLICE STATION (LOCATED AT 326 MAST ROAD) DURING THE HOURS OF 9:00 AM AND 3:00 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. PLEASE NOTE YOU ONLY HAVE 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU GET FINGERPRINTED TO GET ALL THE FORMS TO THE STATE, SO IT IS CRITICAL YOU RETURN THE FORMS TO THE SAU ASAP AFTER THE FINGERPRINTING.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU LEAVE PLENTY OF TIME AS THIS PROCESS CAN TAKE ANYWHERE BETWEEN 2-6 WEEKS.

BULLYING TRAINING UPDATE

THE BULLYING TRAINING IS AVAILABLE ON THE PRIMEX WEBSITE USING THIS <u>LINK</u>. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED WITH PRIMEX TO COMPLETE THIS ONLINE TRAINING. AT THE COMPLETION OF THE TRAINING, AN ONLINE PDF CERTIFICATE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO YOU. THIS CERTIFICATE CAN BE EMAILED TO BECKY FRAGOS AT THE SAU OFFICE AT REBECCA.FRAGOS@SAU19.ORG

VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS TRAINING ANNUALLY AND SUBMIT THE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION TO THE SAU OFFICE TO STAY CURRENT ON THE LIST.

SAVE THE DATE

- 11/27 EARLY RE; EASE 12PM
- 11/28 NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING RECESS
- 11/29 NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING RECESS
- 12/4 NEW BOSTON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING, 6PM (LIBRARY)
- 12/12 3RD GRADE WINTER CONCERT
- 12/23 HOLIDAY RECESS
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NEW EVENTS CALENDAR

WE HAVE RECENTLY MOVED OUR EVENTS CALENDAR INTO OUTLOOK. HERE IS

THE LINK FOR PARENTS TO ACCESS OUR NBCS ACTIVITIES



OFFICE HOUJEKEEPING

ABSENCES

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT. YOU CAN EMAIL ATTENDANCE TO THE OFFICE ANYTIME AT NBCS_ATTENDANCE@SAU19.ORG OR BY CALLING ANYTIME ON OUR MAIN NUMBER, 487-2211, AND GO INTO "GENERAL MAILBOX". PLEASE REPORT ABSENCES TO THE SCHOOL PRIOR TO 8.30AM.

IF THE SCHOOL IS NOT CONTACTED THE ABSENCE WILL BE RECORDED AS UNEXCUSED. PLEASE READ THE ATTACHED POLICY WITH WHAT COUNTS AS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE. IF THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 10 1/2 DAY (5 FULL DAY) ABSENCES IN A YEAR THIS COUNTS AS TRUANCY. ABSENCES WILL BE REPORTED TO THE STATE THIS SCHOOL YEAR.

HTTPS://WWW.NBCS.K12.NH.US/NB_DOCS/POLICIES/JH-_-ATTENDANCE_ABSENTEESIM_AND_TRUANCY.PDF

CHANGE OF PLANS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR CHILD IN WITH A NOTE IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN PLANS FOR AFTER SCHOOL. THE OFFICE CAN BE HECTIC AT THE END OF THE DAY, SO WE ASK THAT ANY CHANGES BE SENT IN BY NOTE WITH UNEXPECTED CHANGES CALLED INTO THE OFFICE BY 1:15 PM.

TEXT UPDATES

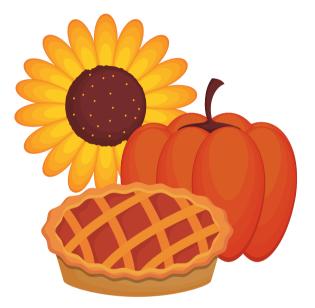
WE CONTINUE TO STRIVE TO DELIVER TIMELY MESSAGES TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND STAFF UTILIZING OUR SCHOOLMESSENGER SERVICE. IN ORDER TO OPT-IN TO TEXT MESSAGING, SEND A TEXT MESSAGE OF "Y" OR "YES" TO OUR SCHOOL'S SHORT CODE NUMBER 67587. MOBILE NUMBERS MUST BE IN OUR POWERSCHOOL SYSTEM FOR PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND STAFF TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES.

WE HAVE MOVED INFORMATION ON OUR OFFICE PROCEDURES TO OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE. IF YOU NEED INFORMATION ON CALLING IN ABSENCES, TARDIES, TEXT UPDATES, PLEASE GO TO THE OFFICE PAGE ON THE NBCS WEBSITE HERE .

WINTER CLOTHING REMINDER

AS THE TEMPERATURES ARE NOW DROPPING, IT IS STILL OUR GOAL TO HAVE THE CHILDREN OUTSIDE FOR RECESS EVERYDAY. WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND PARENTS TO SEND STUDENTS IN WITH PROPER ATTIRE FOR PLAYING OUTSIDE. THAT WOULD INCLUDE LONG PANTS, HATS, GLOVES AND COATS. WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH "SPARE" CLOTHING TO LOAN, AND ALL STUDENTS GO OUTSIDE FOR RECESS DAILY.

IT IS ALWAYS GOOD PRACTICE TO PACK AN EXTRA SET OF CLOTHES IN CASE THEY GET WET DURING THE WINTER MONTHS. ESPECIALLY IN THE YOUNGER GRADE LEVELS.



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WE HOPE YOUR FAMILY HAD A BLAST AT BINGO NIGHT. WHAT AN INCREDIBLE TURN OUT! THANK YOU FOR JOINING US,



TURN OUT! THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, AND A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS AND TO NEW BOSTON PIZZA!

HELP US CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE SCHOOL WE LOVE BY JOINING OUR BOARD. WE'RE SEEKING NEW BOARD MEMBERS NOW! TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED AND IT'S A LOT OF FUN! JOIN US AT A MEETING OR EMAIL US AT <u>NBCSPTA@GMAIL.COM</u> TO LEARN MORE.

NEW BOSTON RECREATION



S'MORES WITH SANTA WILL BE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH ON THE TOWN COMMON FROM 4-6PM. THE COMMUNITY CHURCH CHOIR WILL SING SOME CAROLS AND FIRE PITS WILL BE SET UP FOR MAKING S'MORES! THE TOWN TREE LIGHTING WILL TAKE PLACE AT 4:15PM FOLLOWED BY VISITS WITH SANTA ON THE GAZEBO UNTIL 6:00PM.

- THE ANNUAL LIP SYNC CONTEST FOR GRADES 1-6 WILL BE SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH AT 6:30PM. ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 2ND AT NOON. LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE.
- WE WILL BE ASSEMBLING THE OUTDOOR ICE-SKATING RINK SOON. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE VOLUNTEER ICE CREW THIS WINTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECREATION OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

 UPCOMING ADULT BUS TRIPS: HOLIDAY BRASS AT THE REX THEATRE (DEC 5TH); NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE (MARCH 28TH). LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR ONLINE REGISTRATION.

FOR MORE PROGRAM/EVENT INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.NEWBOSTONNH.GOV/RECREATION

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

PHYSICALS AND IMMUNIZATIONS:

PLEASE SHARE UPDATED PHYSICALS AND IMMUNIZATIONS WITH THE SCHOOL NURSE THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR. A PHYSICAL SHOULD BE A SIGNED HEALTH FORM FROM THE PROVIDER THAT STATES YOUR CHILD IS CLEARED FOR SCHOOL. AFTER VISIT SUMMARIES AND PROGRESS NOTES ARE NOT ACCEPTED AS A SCHOOL HEALTH FORM.

AFTER THE AGE OF 4, AND BEFORE THE START OF KINDERGARTEN, ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BE UP TO DATE ON THEIR IMMUNIZATIONS TO MEET THE NH STATE REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND SCHOOL. STUDENTS WILL LATER RECEIVE THEIR TDAP, WHICH IS A REQUIREMENT PRIOR TO ENTERING 7TH GRADE.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY BEEN CONTACTED BY THE SCHOOL NURSE, PLEASE UPDATE PHYSICALS AND IMMUNIZATIONS AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. FOR CONVENIENCE, THESE DOCUMENTS CAN BE FAXED FROM YOUR CHILD'S PROVIDER'S OFFICE TO (603) 487-2215 ATTN SCHOOL NURSE. DOCUMENTS CAN ALSO BE SENT TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD, DROPPED OFF IN THE MAIN OFFICE, UPLOADED INTO POWERSCHOOL, OR E-MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE SCHOOL NURSE AT <u>CHRISTEN.DUDAS@SAU19.ORG</u>.

New Hampshire School Immunization Requirements 2024-2025

Refer to page 2 for minimum ages and intervals

Diphtheria, Tetanus, and	6 years and under: 4 or 5 doses with the last dose given on or after the
Pertussis	4 th birthday
DTaP	7 years and older: 3, 4, or 5 doses with the last dose given on or after
DT/DTP	the 4 th birthday
Tdap/Td	Grades 7-12: 1 dose of Tdap is required for entry into 7 th grade
Polio	Grades K-12: 3 or 4 doses with the last dose given on or after the 4 th
	birthday and the last 2 doses separated by 6 months or more
Hepatitis B	Grades K-12: 3 doses at acceptable intervals
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella	Grades K-12: 2 doses; the first dose must be administered on or after
MMR	the 1 st birthday
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	Grades K-12: 2 doses with the first dose administered on or after the 1 st
	birthday OR laboratory confirmation of immunity. History of natural
	immunity without lab confirmation of immunity is NOT acceptable.

ILLNESS:

THERE HAS STARTED TO BE AN INCREASE IN ILLNESSES. WHEN A CHILD AWAKENS WITH VAGUE COMPLAINTS (OFTEN HOW COLDS, FLU, STOMACH VIRUSES BEGIN), IT IS RECOMMENDED TO OBSERVE YOUR CHILD AT HOME FOR AN HOUR OR TWO BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO SEND THEM TO SCHOOL. THERE HAVE BEEN POSITIVE CASES OF STREP, AND AN INCREASE IN THE STOMACH VIRUS (STOMACHACHE, NAUSEA, VOMITING, AND/OR DIARRHEA).

AS A REMINDER, IF YOUR CHILD IS EXHIBITING COVID SYMPTOMS AND TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID, WE FOLLOW THE SCHOOL POLICY FOR ILLNESSES. MASKING AND QUARANTINE ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IT IS SCHOOL POLICY THAT CHILDREN MUST REMAIN OUT OF SCHOOL FOR 24 HOURS AFTER ANY EPISODE OF VOMITING, DIARRHEA, OR TEMPERATURE 100 DEGREES OR HIGHER.

KEEPING A SICK CHILD AT HOME WILL HELP MINIMIZE THE SPREAD OF INFECTIONS AND VIRUSES IN THE CLASSROOM. YOUR CHILD SHOULD BE PHYSICALLY ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES. IF SYMPTOMS ARE NOT IMPROVING, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S PCP FOR FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS. WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN KEEPING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY HEALTHY!

THIS TIME OF YEAR, TEACHERS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATIVE FOR DONATIONS TO HAVE TISSUES, SANITIZING WIPES, AND NON-SCENTED LOTION (DRY HANDS AFTER FREQUENT HANDWASHING) FOR STUDENTS TO USE IN THE CLASSROOM.

I'M HOPING WITH YOUR HELP, EVERYONE CAN HAVE A HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON AND SCHOOL YEAR !!



PLAYGROUND AND GYM SAFETY:

THE STUDENTS ALWAYS HAVE A GREAT TIME IN GYM CLASS AND EXPLORING THE DIFFERENT AREAS ON THE PLAYGROUND DURING RECESS. I LOVE SEEING STUDENTS OUTSIDE RUNNING AND PLAYING, HOWEVER, THE FUN ENDS WHEN A STUDENT GETS HURT. I'VE NOTICED AN INCREASE IN INJURIES USUALLY DUE TO INAPPROPRIATE FOOTWEAR. STUDENT SHOULD BE WEARING SNEAKERS IF THEY PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN GYM OR THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES (GAGA, SOCCER, CLIMBING ON THE ROCKS, TAG GAMES, ETC.) THAT ARE AVAILABLE DURING RECESS. PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO WEAR SNEAKERS TO SCHOOL WHEN PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS/CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT MS. CHRISTEN (603) 487-2211

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