



THE JAGUAR JOURNAL

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October 21, 2016



October 26-27th
Parent/Teacher
conferences
**REMINDER
DISMISSAL WILL BE
12:20 pm**

November 3rd
5th Grade Health Fair
9:30-2:00 pm
and
PBIS BreakFast
8:30 am

November 4th
Movie Night
6:00-8:00

November 9th
Veterans Day
Tribute 8:15 am

Don't forget to
show your
Johnson PRIDE by
wearing spirit
wear or school
colors every
Friday!

Halloween Update!
Students can wear
costumes to school
on Oct 31st. Please
make sure they are
age appropriate. No
masks, no violent or
frightening costumes

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,

Over the course of the past week we have had several students who sustained injuries while doing gymnastics during recess. Consequently, I gathered information from teachers, students, and our school nurse. Teachers and students reported children were performing various gymnastic activities including throwing other students in the air and catching them, as well as building pyramids. In addition, some were choosing to do this on the paved area of the playground.

As the safety of our children is of the utmost priority, I made an announcement expressing my concern. I requested that these activities be discontinued at this moment. As always, teachers will continue to be vigilant about supervision while on recess and use their professional judgment if they see activities which pose a potential danger.

Very truly yours,
Alison Salerno
Principal

IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ!

The Bethel Public Schools District uses PowerSchool, an Internet-based student management information system. The information system includes a section known as the Parent Portal which will give parents the ability to access important information about their child(ren) over the Internet in a secure manner. All parents received a letter containing directions and information regarding your Parent Access ID and Parent Access Password. If you already have a Parent Portal account you can add your student to your existing account.

TO DATE, MANY of you have not yet created your account!

We are requesting that you update the demographic information and click on the policies and permissions **ASAP**. This information is critical to providing us the most accurate information and phone numbers if there was an emergency.

If you have any questions please call Rachel Caram at 203-794-8700.

A video tutorial is available on our website (click the link)
www.bethelk12.ct.us

PTO NEWS

Fundraiser Updates:

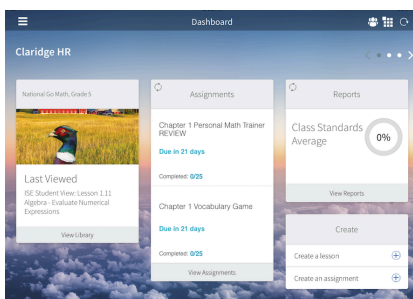
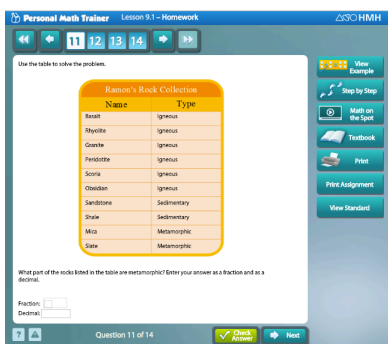
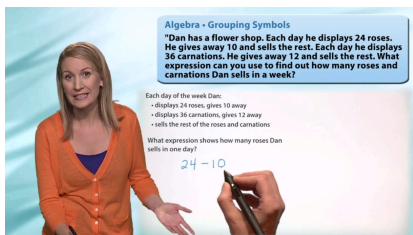
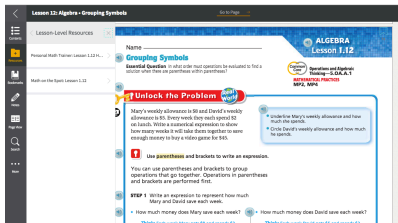
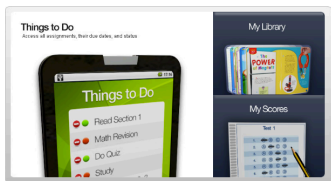
- Did you pick up your Yankee Candle orders? Online orders will continue through Dec
- Box tops: Keep sending them in! Our classes will be competing to see who can bring in the most
- School store is open on Thursdays! (Before school!)
- Spirit wear will be ready for pick up in a few weeks.

Upcoming Events:

- Movie night is coming! November 4th. Students will vote for movie of choice. Stay tuned for more info.
- The next PTO meeting will be November 15th at 9:15 am at Johnson School.

CONTACT US!

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Go Math for Parents

*A Guide to
the Online Resources*

Wednesday, November 9th

7:00pm

Johnson School
Media Center

A workshop open to parents and
Johnson School students

Feel free to bring a laptop (or you
may use one of our Chromebooks)

We will explore the many different
online activities that are available
with our GoMath program!

Presenter: Mrs. Mary Liquori
5th Grade Math Teacher



WellnessFair

You're Invited To Johnson School 5th Grade Wellness Fair

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 and 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 3, 2016

In celebration of Student Well-Being,

Sodexo will be featuring the following wellness booths during the event:

ACHIEVEMENT

Cyber Safety – How to make good choices with social media and the internet, an interactive “Jeopardy” style game for students.

EFT “Tapping” Therapy with Katie Coffey - EFT Tapping works like emotional acupressure to quickly, gently and easily release the negative emotions and beliefs that are at the root of all of our problems and pain.

ACTIVITY

Yoga with Aline Marie

NUTRITION

Sugar Busters with Carly Marena, Sodexo Registered Dietitian – Do you know how much sugar is in the foods you eat? You'd be surprised!

ENVIRONMENT

Bee Keeping with Alicia Craybas from Blue Jay Orchards

COMMUNITY

Ben's Bells - Students will get the opportunity to write a “Kind Note.”

SPECIAL GUEST: Joe Moravsky “The Weatherman” from American Ninja Warrior will talk to students about his experiences and living a fit life.

Parents are welcome to attend this fun and informative event! Proudly sponsored by Sodexo School Lunch Program.



Amanda Riley, Sodexo Education,
203-794-8722, riley_a@bethel.k12.ct.us


QUALITY OF LIFE SERVICES

Tribute to Veterans



On behalf of the Johnson School faculty, staff and students you are cordially invited to pay tribute to our servicemen and women on November 9, 2016 at 8:15 am. Students are encouraged to invite members of the community, your family and friends who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

The assembly will take place at Johnson School. Students and their honored guests will be invited to the cafeteria following the tribute for light refreshments. Students who are member of the Girl Scouts or Boy Scouts are welcome to wear their uniforms this day.

Please complete the form below and return to school by Friday, November 4, 2016. Attn: Mr. Rawlins

Student's Name _____

Homeroom _____

Veteran's name _____

Branch of the Armed Forces _____

Total number of guests _____

Boys and Girls Basketball League

REGISTRATION FOR IN-TOWN BASKETBALL WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 6th, ONLINE OR AT THE PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE AND WILL END ON NOVEMBER 7th

The Bethel Parks and Recreation Department is taking basketball registration for boys and girls in grades 2-8. The program is designed to introduce the game of basketball in a fun and positive environment. The season will begin on Saturday, December 3rd and will run through the end of February 2017. Schedule is subject to change based on registrations.

Practice days/times for grades 2 – 8 are subject to coaches and gym availability. The coaches' only meeting will take place on Saturday, November 12th for team selection and players will be contacted before November 28th regarding team placement. **Coaches are still needed please contact the office.**

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO COACH OR TEAMMATE REQUESTS HONORED AS IT IS TOO DIFFICULT TO COORDINATE WITH APPROXIMATELY 500 PARTICIPANTS.

BOYS LEAGUE

Senior League: A league for boys in grades 7 & 8. All games will be played on Saturdays at 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, or 12:00. Full court games will take place at Bethel High School.

Junior League: A league for boys in grades 5 & 6. All games will be played on Saturdays at 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, or 11:00 a.m. at Bethel Middle School.

4th Grade League: A league for boys in 4th grade. All games will be played on Saturdays between 8-11 depending on number of teams at Johnson School.

3rd Grade League: A league for boys in 3rd grade. All games will be played on Saturdays between 10-2 depending on number of teams at Johnson School.

2nd Grade League: A league for boys in 2nd grade. All games will be played on Saturdays between 10-2 depending on number of teams at Berry School.

GIRLS LEAGUE

Senior League: A league for girls in grades 6 - 8. All games will be played on Saturdays at 8:00, 9:00, or 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Center.

Junior League: A league for girls in grades 4 & 5. All games will be played on Saturdays at 8:00, 9:00, or 10:00 a.m. at Bethel Middle School.

2nd and 3rd Grade: A league for girls in grades 2 & 3. All games will be played on Saturdays at 8:00, 9:00, or 10:00 a.m. depending on number of teams at Berry School.

HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

9th-12th Grade: This is a Bethel Parks & Recreation basketball league for high school boys and girls. Open gym will begin in December, and games in January. Times will be announced in late November. Open gym and all games are at the Bethel Municipal Center. All Games are played on Sundays. **First open gym will be Sunday, Dec. 4th from 3:00-5:00pm in the Municipal Center. We will also have weeknight open gyms on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:30-10:00, dates for weeknights will be given out on December 4th.**

BASKETBALL FEE: \$ 75.00 Individual \$120.00 Family Fee



LAST DATE TO REGISTER IS Monday, November 7th
AFTER THIS DATE YOU WILL BE PUT ON A WAITING LIST AND
A \$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ASSESSED.

BETHEL RESIDENTS ONLY



All parents interested in coaching or helping out with any sports MUST be certified by the NYSCA. You may renew, add a sport or take the initial clinic online. You will need your membership number if you're currently certified. You can find out how to get certified by going to our website: www.bethel-ct.gov

Preschool Screening

Are you concerned that your child may be experiencing difficulties or delays with talking, play skills, problem solving skills or making their needs known?

If so, you and your child (3-5 years old) are encouraged to participate in a Circle of Friends screening. While meeting the staff to discuss your concerns or ask questions regarding your child's development, your child will take part in informal play activities that include songs and motor activities.

The preschool team includes the Supervisor of Special Education, Preschool Special Education Teachers, Speech/Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist and School Social Worker.

Screening dates for the 2016-2017 school year are

Wednesdays from 10:00-10:45

October 19, 2016

November 30, 2016

January 18, 2017

February 22, 2017

March 29, 2017

April 26, 2017

May 31, 2017

If school is closed because of inclement weather, the pre-school screen will be cancelled.

Pre-registration is appreciated but drop-ins are welcomed.

For more information, please contact Kate Coffey at [203-794-8679](tel:203-794-8679).