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January 6, 2017



January 9, 2017 The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe BMS - 1:30 pm

January IO, 2017 Winter Band Concert BMS - 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm

January 13, 2016 NO SCHOOL Professional Development

January 16, 2016 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Day

January 17, 2017 PTO meeting 945 am Teacher's Lounge

January 25, 2017 Mandatory parent meeting For school play 6:00 pm Johnson school SEE FLYER ATTACHED

Bon't Forget to show your Johnson PRIDE by wearing spirit wear or school colors every Friday Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caretakers,

Happy New Year!

As we embark on a new calendar year, I would like to stress a few safety reminders. Please note, the driveway in front of the school is one way. Further, before 8:15 am students must be dropped off in the car lane <u>at the crosswalk</u>. Please do not drop your child off before the crosswalk and let them cross the barriers, as this is a real safety issue. There is supervision for the students at the crossing. In addition, please make sure your child is exiting the car on the RIGHT side, to step into the crosswalk, rather than having them walk around the car. Following this procedure will ensure the safety of all students.

When visiting Johnson School, all visitors must check in at the main office and receive a Hall Pass badge. If you are not already in our system, you will be asked to provide a valid driver's license as a form of identification and have your information entered into our system. When leaving the building, please make sure you are returning to the main office to check out of the school. In addition, we ask that any dismissal changes be in the form of a note to the classroom teacher. We understand at times plans change urgently. If this is the case, please call the main office as soon as possible.

We appreciate your understanding and flexibility as we work through the integration of the Parent Portal protocols. It is critical that your information is up to date. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call my secretary Rachel Caram $203-794-8700 \times 101$.

Very truly yours, Alison Salerno Principal

Jump rope for heart is coming! Please see the attached flyer for details!

Go Wild for Heart Health- Johnson School

Jump on board with the American Heart Association!

Jump Rope For Heart is coming to our school!

Wednesday, February 15th - Fifth Grade from 3:00-4:00

Thursday, February 16th - Fourth Grade from 3:00-4:00



Your support saves lives!

Click on: Johnson School Jump Rope For Heart Page

Any parents who are willing to help out on Thursday, February 16thplease email jaquess@bethel.k12.ct.us

WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING AT THIS EVENT!



SHAPE America and the American Heart Association collaborate on the Jump Rope For Heart and Hoops For Heart programs.



2017 Johnson School Musical!

Johnson School is excited to announce that we will be putting on a school-wide musical production of 'Alice in Wonderland' this spring! **Performance dates** will be Friday, May 12th at 7pm and Saturday, May 13th at 1pm and 7pm at Bethel

Middle School. Rehearsals will start on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. Most rehearsals will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A full rehearsal schedule will be sent home at the parent meeting.

The cost to participate in the musical is \$50; everyone who participates will get a part in the play. Talents will be used both onstage and backstage.

In addition, we also rely on parents/guardians to support the production! Please consider helping us make costumes, props and set pieces as well as help organize students during rehearsals. We also need assistance during the actual production, as well as help organizing the cast party! There will be a **Mandatory Parent Meeting** for all parents/guardians on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Johnson School cafeteria to meet with Production Manager, Paul Rodgers, our Director, Anthony De Poto, Music Director Erin Volpintesta, and Johnson School Principal, Alison Salerno.

Permission slips will go out the week of January 16th for students wishing to participate. If you have any questions, please email Paul Rodgers at JohnsonMusicals@gmail.com.

We are really looking forward to putting on a great show this spring!



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PTO CORNER

Come support the Johnson School Band for their concert at BMS, January 10th from 7:00-8:00!

Fundraiser updates:

- **THANK YOU!** We could not have such successful fundraisers without your support!
- Keep sending in those Boxtops! They really add up!
- School Store is open Thursday mornings before school.

Upcoming PTO Events:

• The next PTO meeting will be 1/17 @ 9:15 am

Want to get involved? Contact us to learn more, or come to one of our meetings. All are welcome, even our littlest family members.

Contact us: rmtjohnsonpto@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

What: Fifth Grade Field Trip When: Wednesday, May 31st, 2017 Depart: 7:30 am Return: 5:30 pm Where: Old Sturbridge Village 1 Old Sturbridge Village Road Sturbridge, MA 01566

What is Old Sturbridge Village?

Old Sturbridge Village is the largest outdoor history museum in the Northeast. It depicts a rural New England town of the 1830s. Students will be invited to visit more than 40 original buildings, including homes, meetinghouses, a district school, country store, bank, working farm, three water-powered mills, and trade shops – all situated on more than 200 scenic acres. They will meet heritage breed farm animals and interact with authentically costumed staff.

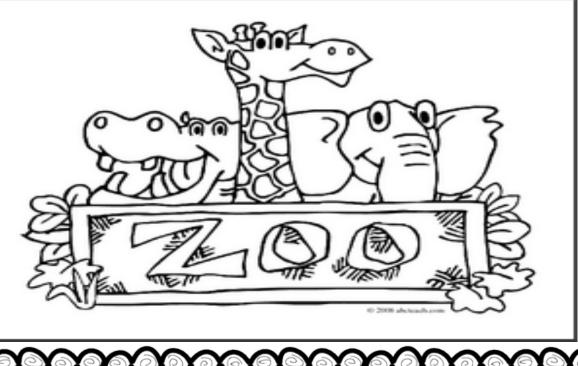
Cost: \$40.00 per student.

This cost includes a Coach bus and OSV fees. If you are interested in chaperoning, please contact your child's homeroom teacher ASAP. There are a limited number of spaces available. Chaperones will also have to pay the \$40.00. We will not be collecting money for the trip at this time. A formal permission slip will go home later in the year, when it is time to collect money and give out additional information about the trip, departure and pick-up.

SAVE THE DATE The Fourth Grade Spring Field Trip to the Bronx Zoo is Thursday, May 18, 2017.

The cost is \$45.00 per student or chaperone.

Further information will be sent home in March 2017.





Circle of Friends Preschool program, an integrated early childhood program for three and four year olds, has openings for the 2017-2018 school year. This integrated early childhood program provides a developmentally appropriate curriculum that focuses on the appreciation of individual differences, building selfesteem and fostering independence. Additionally, the staff works to develop the skills necessary for successful participation within the Kindergarten program. The OPEN HOUSE will take place on January 11, 2017, in the Berry School Media Center from 7:00-8:00 p.m. (Snow date January 18th) Program information, brochures and applications will be available. This will also provide an opportunity to meet the program staff.