



# THE JAGUAR JOURNAL

Respect, Ready, Responsible, Proud

January 13, 2017



January 13, 2016  
NO SCHOOL  
Professional  
Development

January 16, 2016  
NO SCHOOL  
Martin Luther King  
Day

January 17, 2017  
PTO meeting  
9:15 am  
Teacher's Lounge

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

**Find us on  
Facebook!  
Johnson  
Parent  
Network**



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

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caretakers,

I personally invite you to save the date and attend our Fifth Annual Bethel Public Schools Parent University on February 23, 2017 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at Bethel Middle School. Parent University is a FREE educational program offered by Bethel Public Schools, for parents and caregivers. Parent University provides parents and caregivers the opportunity to gain a better understanding about what their children are learning and become a full partner in their child's education. More information will be coming soon!!! Babysitting is available for children ages 4 and up who are toilet trained.

Anote la fecha de nuestro tercer ano de La Universidad de Padres de las Escuelas Publicas de Bethel, el 23 de febrero, 2017, a las 6:30 – 8:30 pm. La Universidad de Padres es un programa educativo GRATIS, ofrecido por Las Escuelas Publicas de Bethel, para padres cuidadores. La Universidad de Padres provee a padres y cuidadores la oportunidad de obtener un mejor entendimiento acerca de lo que sus ninios estan aprendiendo y a convertirse en companeros integrales en la educacion de sus ninios. Mas informacion vendra pronto!

Very truly yours,  
Alison Salerno  
Principal

## Important Reminder!

As the weather continues to get colder, it is so important that your child is dressed appropriately! We try to allow for outdoor recess as much as possible (weather permitting). If your child is in need of a winter coat, please call Kate Coffey at 203-794-8679



Keep clipping those box tops! Every little bit helps!



When it is necessary to delay or close school due to inclement weather or have an unscheduled early dismissal due to forecasted inclement weather, the announcement will be made over the following radio, TV stations, and websites:

WLAD AM Danbury 800 on the dial  
WINE AM Brookfield 940 on the dial  
WICC AM Bridgeport 600 on the dial  
WEBE FM Bridgeport 108 on the dial  
WEZN FM Bridgeport 100 on the dial

TV channel 3, channel 8, channel 6  
Bethel Public Schools website - [www.bethelk12.ct.us](http://www.bethelk12.ct.us)  
CT Weather website - [www.ctweather.com](http://www.ctweather.com)

**SAVE THE DATE – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017**



**Parent University Rated “Excellent”**

by an overwhelming majority of 2016 Attendees

*“It was wonderful!” “Great opportunity...” “Very helpful!”  
“...the most useful presentations I’ve ever attended!”*

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**Don’t miss the 2017 Parent University with all the topics *you* requested, including:**

- Kindergarten Orientation • Strategies to Help your Child Regulate Stress
- Navigating the Parent Portal • Internet Safety • And so many more!

Stay tuned for additional information on registration and a full list of topics offered.

**Mark your calendars now for Parent University 2017  
Thursday, February 23rd, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at BMS.**

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Art Show Prep Season is Here!!!

This year's art show will be on Thursday March 16, 2017 from 5-7 p.m. at Johnson School. Every year we display thousands of artworks from the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

There is a tremendous amount of behind the scenes work that goes into this event. Ms. McCue is looking help matt, label, and/or inventory artwork for the show.

If you can assist in the success of this year's event, please contact Ms. McCue.

[McCuet@bethel.k12.ct.us](mailto:McCuet@bethel.k12.ct.us)

Thank you!!

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# BETHEL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

PRESENTS A FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT INNOVATION, CREATIVITY AND EXCELLENCE IN OUR SCHOOLS

11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

# BARNUM BALL

A ROARING GOOD TIME



## SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017

ALL INCLUSIVE 6:30-8:30PM

BEVERAGES ADDITIONAL AFTER 8:30PM

## ETHAN ALLEN HOTEL

**\$105 OVERNIGHT RATE**  
MENTION THE BARNUM BALL WHEN  
MAKING YOUR ROOM RESERVATION

DINNER & DANCING  
LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

**\$80 PER PERSON**  
**\$750 TABLE OF 10**

PURCHASE YOUR BALL TICKETS ONLINE AT  
[WWW.BETHELEDFOUNDATION.ORG](http://WWW.BETHELEDFOUNDATION.ORG)

Order your tickets by Feb. 20 to be entered into a drawing for overnight accommodations for the Ball

ORDER YOUR TICKETS TO THE BARNUM BALL ONLINE OR SEND THIS PORTION TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHECK BY TUESDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>

Order your tickets by Feb. 20 to be entered into a drawing for overnight accommodations at Ethan Allen for the Ball \* generously donated by Ethan Allen Hotel

Yes! I'm looking forward to the Barnum Ball on March 18<sup>th</sup>  
Enclosed is my check for:

- # \_\_\_\_ tickets x \$80 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Table of 10 = \$750 (you can include separate checks, but payment must be paid in full)  
Please list all names on the back of this form

Sorry, I can't make it!  
Here's a donation to support school grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
please list each name for this reservation  
if purchasing a full table, please include all names on the back of this form

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_  
An email confirmation will be sent once payment is received

Please seat me with \_\_\_\_\_

We will email you to select your meal choices shortly.

Mail to: PO Box 92, Bethel, CT 06801  
Checks payable to Bethel Education Foundation  
Questions? Email: [BethelEdFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:BethelEdFoundation@gmail.com)

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



IS YOUR BUSINESS LOOKING TO SUPPORT INNOVATIVE PROJECTS IN THE BETHEL SCHOOLS?

**SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS**

Become a sponsor, advertise in the Ball book, or donate an auction item!  
Go to [www.BethelEdFoundation.org](http://www.BethelEdFoundation.org) and click on the Support Our Work Tab



## **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](mailto:JohnsonMusicals@gmail.com).

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

# **\*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.



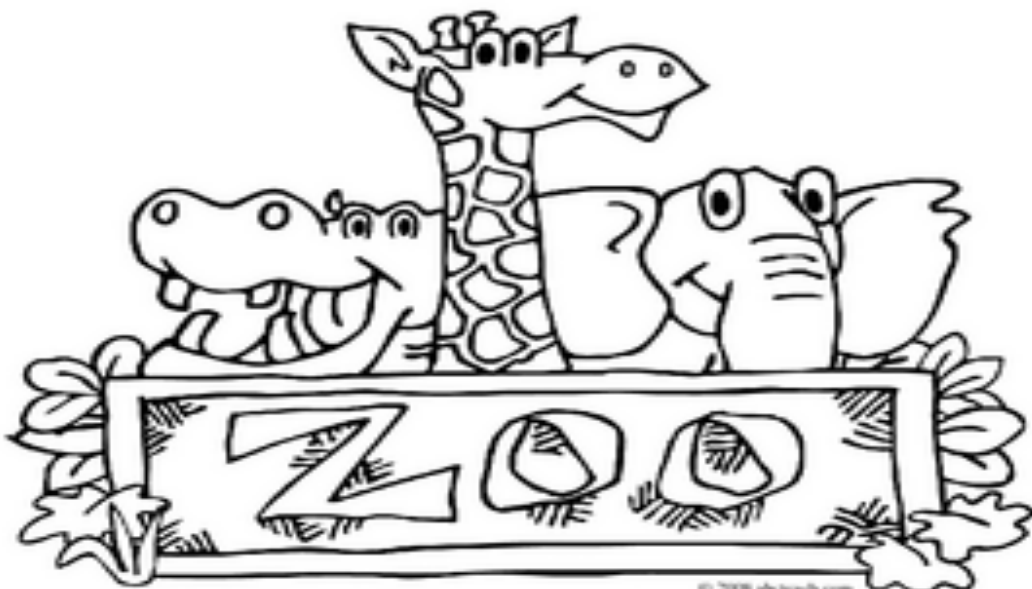
# SAVE THE DATE

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.



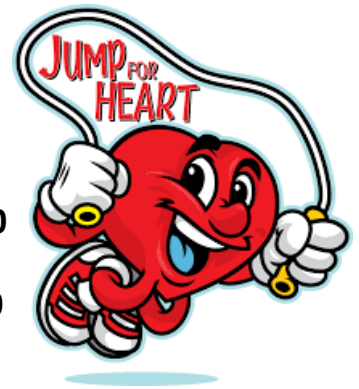
# Go **Wild** for Heart Health~ Johnson School

**Jump on board with the American Heart Association!**

**Jump Rope For Heart is coming to our school!**

**Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> - Fifth Grade from 3:00-4:00**

**Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - 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 16<sup>th</sup> please email

[jaquess@bethel.k12.ct.us](mailto: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.