



THE JAGUAR JOURNAL

Respect, Ready, Responsible, Proud

January 27, 2017



February 17, 2017
Professional Development Day
Early Dismissal
12:56 PM

February 20-21st
2017
NO SCHOOL
President's Day
Recess

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,

On January 26, 2017, Dr. Carver presented her proposed budget to the Board of Education. The proposed 1.68% increase focused on maintaining all of our top quality curricular and extra curricular programs, while continuing to progress towards our action steps as outlined in our District Strategic Plan. The focus of the budget was to efficiently align our resources and allocate staff to achieve our goals, ensuring our students are college and/or career ready, meeting the demands of the global workforce. For our school, the budget supports enhancing our intervention model, maintaining appropriate class size, enhancing STEM opportunities, and ensuring all of our current programs continue. The Board of Education will be reviewing that proposed budget in a series of workshops and make a final recommendation to the Board of Selectman and Board of Finance on February 22, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Center. Please mark your calendar.

Over the past several weeks we have noticed an increase in the number of phone calls during the day, specifically after 2:00 pm, to pick up students in lieu of taking the bus home. Of course we understand last minute changes can and will occur, however this is not only a very busy time of day, but also causes concern to our students, because it is not their planned mode of transportation home. I am requesting that you please remember to send a note in with your child if there is to be a change to their normal pick up routine, and to refrain from changing that plan during the day unless it is an emergency. Thank you for understanding.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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



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
CT Weather website - www.ctweather.com



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PTO CORNER

Fundraiser updates:

- **READING ROCKSTARS IS COMING!!!** 2/27 through 3/17
 - 2/24 Dress up like a Rock Star!
 - 3/2 Dr. Seuss Birthday, dress up!
 - 3/3 Author visit!
 - 3/10 Dress up like your favorite book character
- Keep sending in those Boxtops! We earned \$407.70!
- School Store is open Thursday mornings before school.

Upcoming PTO Events:

- The next PTO meeting will be 2/28 @ 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

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 4th & 5th 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

Thank you!!



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11TH 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

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 7TH

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 18th
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

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 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.

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

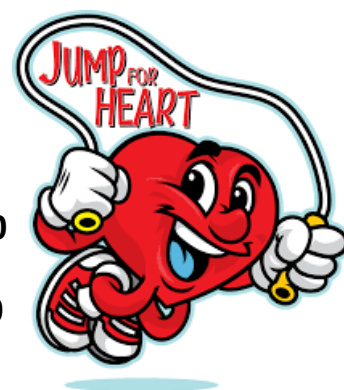
Go **Wild** for Heart Health~ Johnson School

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 16th please 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.

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!”

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.

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.

