



THE JAGUAR JOURNAL

Respectful, Ready, Responsible, Proud

December 1, 2017



**Nov 28-Dec 8,
2017
Toys for Tots
Giving Tree**

**Nov 28-Dec 8,
2017
Coat Drive**

**Dec 6, 2017
Orchestra
Concert
BMS
7:00-8:00 pm**

**Dec 5-7, 2017
Holiday Shop
11:00-1:00 pm**

**Dec 8, 2017
Professional
Learning
Early Dismissal
12:56 pm**

**Dec 19, 2017
PTO Meeting
9:15 AM**

**Dec 25-Jan 1,
2018
Holiday Recess
NO SCHOOL**

Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s) and Caregiver(s),

Please join Johnson School in welcoming best selling author, Mike Kuczala! Mike will help us learn about the brain-body connection and show us how movement is important in enhancing the learning process. Come learn strategies to help your child be the best they can be in school and while learning at home. This session is open to anyone in the surrounding areas, so please feel free to invite your friends, educators, and anyone interested in Kinesthetic learning to come see him.

This presentation is made possible by the Healthy Bodies/Healthy Minds School grant in partnership with the Bethel Health Department.

The presentation will be at Bethel Middle School on Thursday, December 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Today, we celebrated our Johnson Pride Students of the Month at an assembly. We are very proud of all of our students as they continue to emulate the attributes of Johnson Pride – Respect, Responsibility, Ready, and Pride, in all they do and say. I appreciate your support in reinforcing these tasks at home. Research tells us when there is a strong home/school connection with parents and school personnel delivering a consistent message, students benefit socially, emotionally, and academically.

I would like to take this opportunity to address a few questions:

Q. When will I be able to access my child's report card?

A. December 12, 2017

Q. How do I access my child's report card on the Parent Portal?

A. To access your child's report card, please follow the steps below:

- Log into the Parent Portal
- If you have more than one child, click on your child's name at the top left corner
- Click "Grades and Attendance" on the left hand column
- Click the "Standard Grades" tab on top. Current classes will appear.
- Click "Expand All" located at the top right.
- The trimester comment from the classroom teacher will appear at the bottom, under "BPS.COMMENTS.001Trimester 1 – Comment". You must click on the comment icon box to see the comment.

Q. What is the meaning of a "4" on a report card?

A. A "4" means the student is performing consistently at or above grade level, but must be able to transfer learning/skills across disciplines with sophisticated application.

Q. What does an "O" mean under Effort and Learning Behaviors on a report card?

A. O = Student is a consistent role model. The student goes above and beyond expectations and has a sense of leadership. He/she often helps others.

Q. Where can I access my child's NWEA and Smarter Balanced assessment data?

A. We now give you access to print your child's report cards, state assessments, etc. ***Please see the attached directions.***

Very truly yours,
Alison Salerno
Principal

Important Reminder!

SNOWFLAKES WILL SOON BE FLYING!

As the days grow shorter and the weather gets colder, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately. We do continue to go outside for recess (and fresh air! 😊)

Is your child in need of a winter coat? If so, please contact Kate Coffey at coffeyk@bethel.k12.ct.us

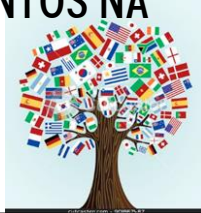


MIREN LOS EVENTOS QUE VIENEN PRONTO A NUESTRA ESCUELA!

[CLICK HERE](#)

VEEM OS PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS NA NOSSA ESCOLA!

[CLICK HERE](#)



SAVE THE DATE!

The Plumtrees school will hold its annual holiday *OPEN HOUSE* and *SING-A-LONG* on Saturday December 9, 2017 from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Music, refreshments, and a visit from

****Santa****

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

 Find us on Facebook

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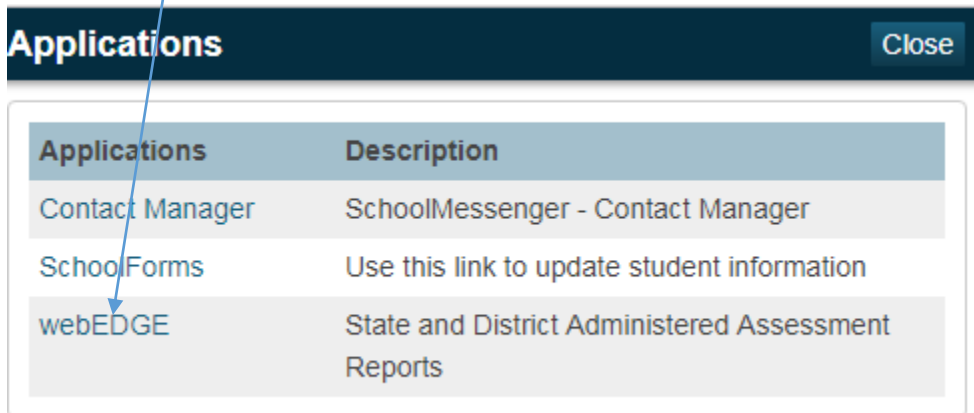
School delay notices are published on radio, television, Twitter, and the Bethel Public Schools website. Follow the Superintendent, Dr. Carver, at @BethelCTSuper to be the first to know when school is delayed or canceled in bad weather. Channel 3, 6, and 8 also offer you the ability register to be notified via text for school delays and closings when reported. Please note as a reminder: When it is necessary to delay or close school due to inclement weather or have an unscheduled early dismissal due to forecasted inclement weather for the afternoon, the "School Delayed" "Schools Closed" or "Early Dismissal" announcement will be made over the following radio and television stations and websites in the morning: 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, TV Channel 8, & TV Channel 6. Bethel Public Schools Website – www.bethel.k12.ct.us Connecticut Weather Website – www.ctweather.com

Accessing webEDGE on the Parent Portal

1. After you login to the Parent Portal, go to the upper right hand corner and choose



Then they choose,



This will open to this window:

The screenshot shows a website header with a dark green background. On the left is the Bethel Public Schools logo, which is a circular seal with a schoolhouse and the text 'BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS Bethel, Connecticut'. To the right of the logo, the text 'IMA SAMPLE'S STUDENT PORTFOLIO' is displayed in green and white, with a small green apple icon. Below this, there is a navigation menu with three items: 'Home', 'High School Report Card', and 'NWEA'. A blue arrow points from the 'High School Report Card' link to a text box below. Another blue arrow points from the 'NWEA' link to another text box below. Below the navigation menu is a large white rectangular area with a green pencil icon in the top left corner. Below this is a white banner with the text 'DON'T HAVE ADOBE ACROBAT READER?' in red. Underneath the banner, there is a 'DOWNLOAD' section with a red Adobe Acrobat logo and a button that says 'GET ADOBE ACROBAT'. To the right of this is a 'POWERED BY:' section with the 'EDGE' logo and the text 'Document Solutions, LLC'. A blue arrow points from the 'GET ADOBE ACROBAT' button to a text box below.

Parents/Guardian's will click here for the High School Report Card.

For Elementary K-8, this will say Standards Report Cards.

You can then view and print the reports.

Click here and you will see the NWEA report for each session (Fall, Winter and Spring). You can then view and print the reports.

This the Bethel Public Schools District Message.

PARENT WORKSHOP
Sponsored by
**Bethel Public Schools and the
Special Education Parent Advisory Council**

Please join:

**Dr. David Aversa
Child Psychiatrist
CT Psychiatric and Wellness Center**

Workshop Topics:

- **Social Anxiety and how it impacts your child**
- **Strategies to support your child at home**
- **Ways to partner with your child's school team**

**December 5, 2017
7:00 – 8:30 PM
Board of Education Conference Room
Municipal Center
3rd Floor**

ALL Parents are Welcome!

**Please RSVP to Gladys Gonzalez at 203-794-8616 or at
gonzalezg@bethel.k12.ct.us**



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PTO CORNER

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Michele Russo for her help with the Staff Appreciation Coffee Cart!

Winter Coat Drive - Hats, gloves, scarves – Oh, my! Send them in until December 8th!
School Store is open every Thursday morning. 😊

Upcoming PTO Events:

Can you help? Seeking volunteers to help receive Toys for Tots donations each morning until 12/8. Also looking for volunteers to help with our upcoming Holiday Shoppe. Please contact us at rmtjohnsonpto@gmail.com if you can help!

- Winter Coat Drive: 11/20-12/8
Donate gently used or new coats, gloves, hats and scarves in the lobby.
- Toys For Tots: 11/28-12/8
Donation bins will be available in the lobby for new, unwrapped toys.
- Holiday Shoppe: 12/5 - 12/7
Open during lunchtime! Cash or check (payable to PTO).

Fundraisers:

- Box Tops –We've earned over \$700 this year so far! Keep clipping and saving!
- Amazon Smile – Set up your Amazon smile to support Ralph M T Johnson PTO. 😊

PTO Meetings:

- 12/19 @ 9:15 am
- 1/16 @ 9:15 am
- 2/27 @ 9:15 am
- 3/20 @ 9:15 am
- 4/24 @ 9:15 am
- 5/15 @ 9:15 am

Have questions, ideas or want to be involved?
The PTO is a very family-friendly organization and all are welcome!
Contact us at rmtjohnsonpto@gmail.com

PTO EVENT



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WINTER COAT DRIVE

It's getting cold and there are kids in town who need our help!



What is Needed: We are collecting new or gently-worn winter coats, gloves, hats, and scarves!

Dates: November 20, 2017 – December 8, 2017

Drop Off Location: Please drop off all items in the main lobby at Johnson School

*Any items not used within the Bethel Public Schools will be distributed first to the Bethel community

If you have questions, please email the Johnson PTO @ rmtjohnsonpto@gmail.com or Kate Coffey @ coffeyk@bethel.k12.ct.us.

Thank you for supporting Johnson School and the Bethel Community!

Johnson School Holiday Toy Drive



In the spirit of holiday giving, Johnson School will be participating in a Toys For Tots drive. We hope that this project will help build school community as we work together to help those in need.

Here are the details...

The primary mission of the Marine Corps Reserve, Toys for Tots Program, is to collect new, unwrapped toys and distribute them to less fortunate children. Johnson School will be helping our local Reserve Unit to collect toys for children within our area.

Johnson students will receive a paper snowflake for donating a toy. We will write their name on the snowflake and use them to decorate our foyer.

The collection box is located in the front foyer. There will be parent volunteers present to assist the children during collection times.

Toys will be collected from Tuesday, November 28th until Friday, December 8th between 7:40-8:10am

Thank you for your participation!
If you have any questions or would like to help during collection times, please contact us at rmtjohnsonpto@gmail.com

BREAKFAST (FOR DINNER)



WITH SANTA

WHERE? BETHEL HIGH SCHOOL CULINARY ROOM (207/209)

WHEN? DECEMBER 15, 2017 FROM 5:30-7PM

WHO? KIDS AGES 10 AND UNDER AND THEIR FAMILIES

COST: \$5 PER PERSON

INCLUDES PICTURE WITH SANTA, MUSIC, HOLIDAY BINGO, AND BREAKFAST FOOD

RSVP by: Friday, Dec. 8th

RSVP to: marianil@bethel.k12.ct.us

Hosted by Bethel High School Key Club



CIRCLE OF FRIENDS
Early Childhood Program
Bethel Public Schools
Berry School



Pre-School 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 2017-2018 school year are
Wednesdays from 10:00-10:45

October 18, 2017
November 29, 2017
January 17, 2018
February 28, 2018
March 28, 2018
April 25, 2018
May 30, 2018

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.