To: Students & Families From: Ruthann Goguen, Superintendent Re: Weekly Update Date: December 15th, 2017



It's hard to believe that the Winter Holiday Break is coming up so quickly. The Winter Break is December 25 through January 1st and school will resume on January 2^{nd,} 2018. Wishing everyone a peaceful and safe Holiday Season with family and friends!

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming Holiday Concerts:



Bartlett High School Winter Concert – December 19th at 7:00 p.m.

Webster Middle School 7th & 8th Grade Band – December 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Park Avenue Elementary Holiday Concerts-

December 20th:

Kindergarten @ 9:00 a.m.

1st grade @ 10:00 a.m. 2nd grade @ 1:30 p.m. Park Avenue Elementary Holiday Concerts-December 21st: 3rd grade @ 9:00 a.m. 4th grade @ 1:30 p.m.

Thank you to the Park Ave PTO for organizing the Small World Gift Shoppe on December 20th and 21st. There will be dozens of small gifts for students to purchase ranging in price from .25 cents to \$5.00. Students love surprising their families with these small gifts this time of the year!

Other News & Updates:

- 1. I am very pleased to share the Mrs. Monique Pierangeli has been appointed as the next Business Manager for the Webster Public Schools. Mrs. Pierangeli will be taking over when Mr. Avlas retires in late February. Please join me in congratulating Mrs. Pierangeli on her new position!
- 2. We received notification from the Massachusetts Building Authority that Bartlett High School will not be invited into the MSBA's Eligibility Period at this time. The MSBA received 83 applications and the window to reapply for the next round will open in January 2018.
- 3. With the winter months upon us, please review the snow cancellation and delay procedures below.



Webster Public Schools School Closing and Delay Information

The decision to close schools or delay opening is typically made by 5:00 a.m. and posted by 5:30 a.m. A voice alert message is sent to all parent and school staff at 6:00 a.m. School closing notices are also posted at the following locations.

- Webster Cable Access Channel 194
- Webster Public Schools Web Site: <u>www.webster-schools.org</u>
- TV Stations:

o WBZ Channel 4	http://boston.cbslocal.com/closings/
o WCVB Channel 5	http://www.wcvb.com/weather/closings
o WHDH Channel 7	http://whdh.com/school-closings/
o Fox Channel 25	http://www.fox25boston.com/weather/schoolclosings
o NECN Channel 77	http://www.necn.com/weather/school-closings/

Starting Times for Schools during delay

School	1 Hour Delay	2 Hour Delay
Bartlett High School	8:25 AM	9:25 AM
Webster Middle School	8:35 AM	9:35 AM
Park Ave Elementary School	9:45 AM	10:45 AM

All decisions are made based on road conditions, accumulation of snow and/or ice, duration of precipitation, and school building and parking lot conditions. Also, we consult with other local school district superintendents as well as the Webster DPW and/or Webster Police Departments.



Pictures of Joy!



BHS Student Council Sponsored Door Decorating Contest







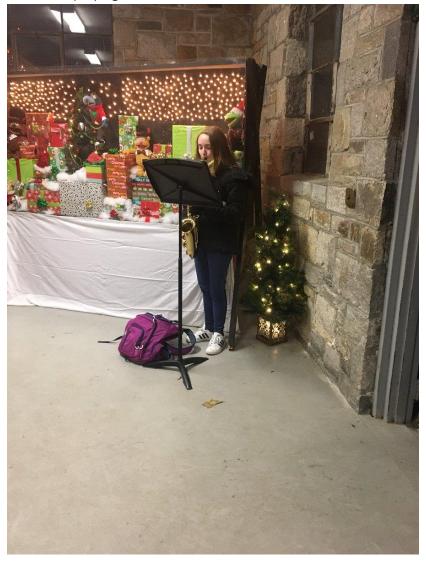


The Worcester Community Action Council Luncheon

Bartlett Band plays at Barnes and Nobles on December 9th



Bartlett Bands playing at the Winter Wonderland event on December 9th.



Park Avenue PTO sponsored a successful Winter Literacy Night December 2nd



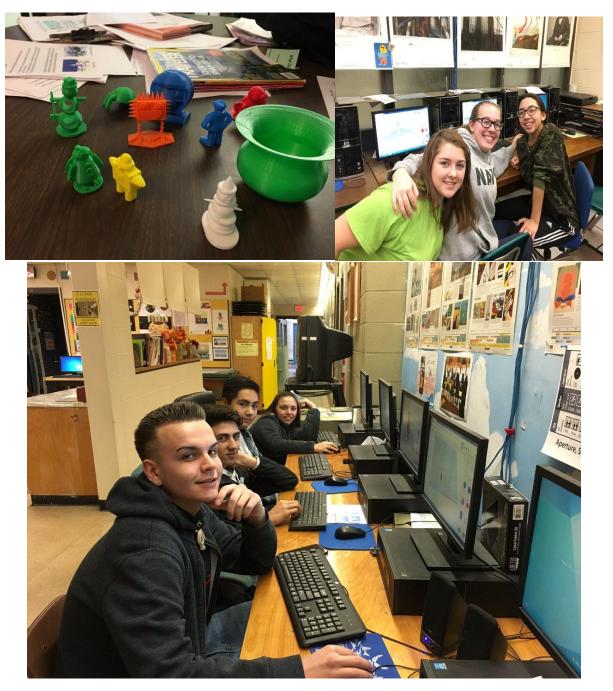
PAE 1st Grade Writing!



Grade 4 Writing Centers.



Digital Art at BHS



8th graders visit to BHS!



May your holidays be bright!

Season's Greetings,

Mrs. Goguen

