

# Badger Business

VOLUME 5 - JANUARY EDITION



## Important Dates

- January 2** - School Resumes
- January 3** - No Boys and Girls Club
- January 17** - No School
- January 20** - No School - Martin Luther King Day

## Reminders

- ✓ Please make sure to send appropriate winter gear with your child to school as the temperature is dropping.

**\*\*please contact us if your child is in need of some gear**

## Did you know...

...that engaging your child in conversations about school gives valuable insight into not only your child's life, but builds critical communication skills.

### Try these questions:

1. What was one fun thing you did today at school?
2. Who did you play with at recess and what did you play?
3. What was the hardest thing you did today?

## PTA News

**January 13- PTA Meeting and Tom's Drive In Night**

**January 14- Funset Boulevard Night**



# COUNSELOR'S CORNER

## Badger Elementary January News

Counselor Kristi, [hillkristi@aasd.k12.wi.us](mailto:hillkristi@aasd.k12.wi.us), 920-852-5440, x20115

### Favorite Resources

**Second Step**, a social emotional curriculum around empathy, safety, & bully prevention is being taught in every grade, every week! [Here](#) is the information previously sent home.

**Parent Resource:** The district provides parents with various mental health resources. You can learn more about resources around: grief, suicide prevention, wellness screenings, etc. [here](#).

### Lifelong Skills Lessons

Ask your students what they learned!

**5K-** Gratitude, Courage & Feelings

**1st-** We're All Wonders (great book about inclusion), Worry Mammoth

**2nd-** Courage & the Brain, Sleepy Sophie

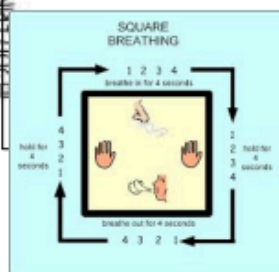
**3rd-** Gender Bias, "Bucket-filling"

**4th-** Setting Boundaries, Grasshopper & the Ant (work ethic)

**5th-** Stereotyping & Diversity, Perceptions

### Calming Spaces

Every classroom has a calming corner when students may need a break to regulate their emotions. Most stations have a 5 minute timer and some breathing exercises to best support students. If your child is having a rough start to the day, please remind them of this resource.

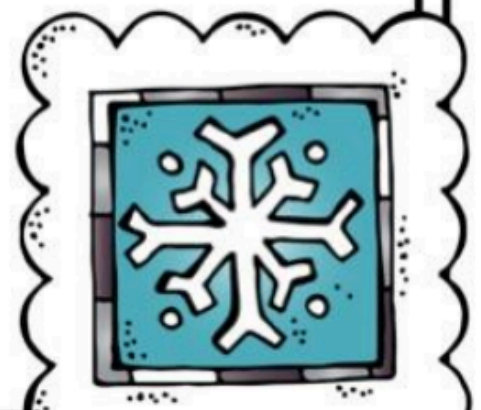


### Cultural Support Groups

We recognize that the ethnic backgrounds of our staff don't always match the ethnic backgrounds of our students. Therefore, every week we offer cultural support luncheons to students who identify with the ethnicity of group leaders. This opportunity will be open to ALL students interested, despite their ethnic background.

## January Guidance Lessons:

### Acceptance







# Winter

# CLOTHING DRIVE



**DECEMBER 11 2024 - FEBRUARY 28 2025**

**Appleton Area School District Winter Clothing Drive**

**We are collecting new winter items for AASD families in need**

#### **Collection Dates**

December 11, 2024- February 28, 2025  
between the hours of 9:00 am - 2:30 pm

*\*Donations are only accepted on days  
when school is in session.*

#### **Drop-Off Location**

Welcome Center  
Family and Community Engagement Office  
2701 N Oneida Street,  
Appleton WI

#### **Items Needed**

- Gloves
- Boots and Shoes
- Warm Hats and Headbands
- Coats and Jackets
- Snow Pants
- Warm/Heavy Duty Socks

*\*Please consider donating waterproof and warm items to ensure our students stay comfortable during the winter months*