



Weekly Message from

North Canaan Elementary School

♥ February 14, 2025 ♥

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Upcoming events:


- **February 17 - 18** No School, February Break
- **February 19** No School, Regional Professional Development
- **March 4** National Iron Bank, Student Banking Day
- **March 5** [PTO Meeting](#), 6:30 pm (at school or [virtual](#))
- **March 9** Daylight Savings Time Begins
- **March 11** Board of Education meeting, NCES library
- **March 12** 12:10pm dismissal, Teacher Professional Learning

A Message from Superintendent: *I want to express my gratitude to the many individuals who participated in the School Security Survey. We had 843 participants across the Region, reflecting the community's strong commitment to our schools' safety and well-being. Each Board of Education has reviewed the survey results during their January meetings. Over the coming months, the local Boards will continue to analyze their findings and determine the next steps for their respective communities. Thank you again for your engagement and valuable input.*

[Survey Results](#)

[North Canaan Elementary Parent](#)

Outdoor Recess Reminder: The winter weather has arrived! Please make sure your child has a winter jacket for recess. If you are in need of a coat, we have some available in the office.

 Schools across the region and state are experiencing a significant increase in influenza cases this month. We remind parents and students that anyone exhibiting flu-like symptoms should stay home. Students should **remain home until they are symptom-free for at least 24 hours without medication**. Symptoms to watch for include fever, vomiting, and other digestive issues. Please contact our Main Office to report a student's absence or if you have any questions about our attendance policy.

Lunch: We kindly ask you to check your child's lunch account balance and ensure it is up to date. Keeping accounts current helps us continue providing meals smoothly for all students. To check your balance and make a payment, please visit our [online payment portal](#) or contact Tammy McGuire at tmcguire@nceschool.org for assistance.

[*Canaan Kids Artspace*](#): A creative initiative aimed at engaging children in hands-on, eco-friendly art projects. A mobile organization offering free workshops and events to inspire creativity and community among local youth. Please click the link for more information and to register.

[*NWCT Steve Blass Little League*](#): Spring registration is now open. Please click the link for registration details.

[*North Canaan Youth Softball*](#): Spring registration is now open. Please click the link for registration details.

Upcoming Hotchkiss Opportunities: Click the links to learn how you can participate in activities happening at Hotchkiss:

[*Kids Coding Bootcamp*](#)

[*Chess Classes*](#)

[*Girls Who Code*](#)

[*Junior Ink*](#)

[*Summer AHA enrollment*](#): If you are interested in enrolling in Summer AHA, please take a few minutes to open the link and read the top of the form, which will only be open for two weeks.

[*AHA Program*](#): There are a few spaces available at AHA after school. If you are interested in signing your child up, please click the link for more information.

[*YMCA Camp M.O.E. Survey*](#): YMCA Camp M.O.E. offers Summer opportunities for kids of all ages. Please click the link for the survey and for more information.

[*Let's Make Art*](#): Sunday, March 2nd from 3 pm to 5 pm at The Banquet Room at Stateline Pizza. This event is free and open to all ages. Please click the link for more information.

[*Swap Event*](#): Sunday, March 9th from 3 pm to 5 pm at The Johnson Room in the Pilgrim House. This event is free and open to all ages. Please click the link for more information.

[*Boxtops for Education*](#): Click the link for more information on how to earn free money for our school.

Enjoy the long weekend,

Mrs. Johnson