

Hello Parents and Guardians!

Here are a few updates from Belmont Elementary School.

1. No School on Tuesday - Please remember that there is no school on Tuesday, 3/14. I hope you have time to come to the high school and vote!

2. Grade 4 Promotion Celebration - The Grade 4 Promotion Celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20th at Belmont Elementary School. All students will continue to be in school through Thursday, June 22nd.

3. Girls on the Run - Information about this empowering national program designed for girls in Grades 3-4 has been sent home. I am a big fan of this program! The curriculum focuses on self-awareness and confidence, building healthy relationships with peers, and empowerment of young girls to aspire to have a positive impact on our world. Participants engage in fun and active experiences together over a ten-week period, including lessons designed to build social and emotional skills and a foundation for well-being. Each session, the girls will also build on their physical skills through running, gradually increasing their stamina each session and looking forward to a state-wide, culminating 5K in Concord, which is filled with invigorating speeches, music and dancing in celebration. Girls can run, jog, or walk in whatever combination works for them at this event, as the focus is simply on achieving the goal of finishing. This is one of the best programs I have seen for young girls, and Girls on the Run also offers financial support to those who may need it. Parents have reached out to me in the past saying they can't afford the program, but then have gone online and only had to pay a portion of the fee. If you have questions or concerns about the fee, please call me to discuss it. Registration is open and is completed entirely through Girls on the Run via their website ([Girls on the Run NH](#)). Please contact Volunteer Coach, Ginelle Johnson, at gjohnson@sau80.org with questions.

4. Trimester 2 Progress Reports - Trimester 2 ends on Friday, March 24th, and progress reports will be sent home on Friday, March 31st with all students.

Stay safe and enjoy the snow!

- Ben Hill