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Every year, it is very heartwarming to watch our children get excited for the upcoming holidays and vacation. But as we approach the break, it is not uncommon for some students' attention to drift off a little bit in school. And the truth is, we still have almost 2 full weeks to go before the holidays- almost a quarter of a marking period!

While this is understandable, it is too much time for a student to slack off from school work. Interim reports for the second marking period will be available on **Parent Portal** on December 23, so now is a good time to remind your child to stay with it just a little longer, and check in with their teachers if they are concerned about a particular class. The holiday break will be here soon enough! Thank you and enjoy your weekend—

-Rick Selover, Principal

Dates to Remember:

12/15: Picture Make Ups

12/23: 2nd Marking Period Interims Posted

12/23: 12:12 Closing

12/24-1/2/21: School is Closed (Winter Break)

1/3/21: School Reopens

Picture Re-Takes: Last Call!

Lorrs Photography will be back during school on December 15, 2021, for a final session of picture retakes. This is to make up for the equipment malfunction that they had when they were here last week.

Winter Concert

Our music department will be having their winter concert this coming week! To our music teachers and student-musicians, thank you for your efforts and break a leg!

STRIDES Program Holds Holiday Drive

Our STRIDES Program is hosting a holiday charity drive to benefit the Madonna House. Please click on the link to see what you can donate and for more details.

Holiday Charity Donation

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NBTMS Salutes 2021 Educator and Support Person of the Year!

Please join us in congratulating our Governor's educator of the Year, **Mr. John Zelehoski**, and our Education Support Person of the Year, **Mr. Ciro Boccio**!

Mr. Zelehoski is a veteran middle school Social Studies teacher here in North Brunswick who goes over and above for his students- and the school. In addition to his outstanding work in the classroom, 'Mr. Z' advises our 8th Grade Club, teaches in our AVID program and can always be found participating and chaperoning many school events. He can even be heard as the 'Voice of the Raiders,' as our public address announcer for NBTHS Raider Varsity Football Games .

Mr. Boccio is NBTMS' Plant Manager who is widely known and respected for being knowledgeable, diligent and extremely helpful to staff and students. He has extensive knowledge in buildings, grounds and technology, and he does an outstanding job keeping our facility running smoothly.





Support for the Holiday Season

The holidays can be an emotional time for middle school students for a variety of reasons. This year, the holidays may be especially difficult with the added effects that the pandemic has brought on. **RWJ Barnabas Health Network** is offering resources and support for children and families, which can be found here: RWJ Barnabas Support

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to us here at the school if you need assistance as well.

Winter Sports Underway

Best wishes to the coaches and student athletes on our Cheer, Wrestling and Basketball teams as their seasons get underway! Games and matches will begin soon- *Go Raiders!*

Physicals are being accepted for Spring sports from now through February 11.

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NBTMS Family Handbook

Our NBTMS Family Handbook is linked below for your convenience. Please refer to it at any time for information related to our school including policies, procedures and guidelines. It is also linked on our website.

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Keep in Touch!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to teachers or administration if you have any concerns regarding your child's progress. Administration contacts are listed here: <u>NBTMS Contacts</u>