



ERNEST P. BARKA SCHOOL JANUARY NEWSLETTER

January 19, 2012

Dear Parents:

We have immersed the students into another exciting year of learning at Barka School. NWEA testing has been taking place in grades 2, 3, 4, and 5 and will continue for one more week.

GEOGRAPHY BEE: The Geography Bee will take place on Friday, January 20th at 12:30 p.m.

HOME FREE COOKIES: The cafeteria is offering Home Free cookies, which are made with whole grains and are completely nut free. The cost is .75 per bag.

Delicious treats for everyone, including people with food allergies & sensitivities

✓ Nut free ✓ Whole grain

MADE IN A DEDICATED BAKERY
free of peanuts, tree nuts, eggs and dairy,
with all natural or organic ingredients

Many HomeFree treats are
now certified gluten free!

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POWER OF THE PENNY: We are continuing to collect pennies through the Power of the Penny program. The proceeds from this very important program have provided meals, gas cards, and gift cards to local supermarkets for many of our Barka School families in need.

YEARBOOK: It is time to order your child's yearbook. If you are interested, please complete the order form that was sent home and return it with your payment of \$6.00 made payable to Barka School. If parents have taken great pictures of the many activities at Barka School this year, please forward them to Ms. Ramsey, our yearbook advisor, at jramsey@derry.k12.nh.us so that they can be included in our yearbook. Order forms are also available in the main office.

SUBSTITUTE TRAINING WORKSHOP: The Derry Cooperative School District is

sponsoring a second evening training workshop for substitute teachers. Any individual interested in substitute teaching who is new to the substitute list, is home from college or was unable to attend the first session held in September, is strongly encouraged to attend this training session. The workshop will be given by Dr. MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Jane Simard, Business Administrator; Captain Vern Thomas of the Derry Police Department; Thomas Poliseo, Principal, East Derry Memorial Elementary School; and Joe Crawford, Assistant Principal, Gilbert H. Hood Middle School. The workshop is scheduled for Thursday, February 2nd beginning at 7:00 p.m. at West Running Brook Middle School.

CYBER-SAFETY NIGHT: A Cyber-Safety presentation, "Surfing with the Sharks: Learn to Surf Safely" will be held for parents and students to learn more about how to make safe choices as a family regarding the Internet. The presentation will be held on Tuesday, January 31st, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at West Running Brook Middle School.

Daniel J. LaFleur, Principal