

February 2022











February Events and Information

Substitutes Needed!

There is an urgent demand for substitute teachers at Bancroft! Currently, there are open positions for lunchroom assistants, daily substitutes, and building-based substitutes. A substitute can determine the number of days they want to work and the jobs they want to accept, so this is great for someone looking for flexibility.

If you are interested in applying, please visit www.aps1.net and click on Employment for more information. If you have questions, please contact Kimberly Rabold at kimberly.rabold@andoverma.us.



Staff Appreciation

The PTO has been working hard to show our appreciation for Bancroft faculty and staff. Recently, we delivered a welcome package for Bancroft's new administrative assistant, Lucy, a retirement gift for Mrs. Rudis, a baby gift for Mrs. Tingle, and thank you gifts for the hardworking nursing staff, crossing guards, and IAs. Thank you for making it all possible!

Send a Virtual Valentine!



For Valentine's Day, we invite YOU to send ANY special staff member a virtual Valentine using this link. It takes about 1-2 minutes and makes a HUGE impact! Let's spread some LOVE for the holiday and let our staff know how much they mean to us. Please submit your Valentines by Friday, February 11.

Bancroft Book Swap

The dates for our school-wide book swap are February 15-18. Help us make the event a success by having your child bring in books they no longer read on Tuesday, February 15th or Wednesday, February 16.

Classes will be visiting the book swap on Thursday, February 17 and Friday, February 18. All students will choose at least one book and any leftover books will be donated to students in need. More information can be found here.

Gifts of Kindness Calendar



Thursday, February 17 is
National Random Acts of
Kindness Day, so we invite you
to celebrate by showing kindness
for the entire month. Click here
to find Bancroft's February Gift of
Kindness Calendar. Help us
spread kindness throughout our
school and community!

Cultural Arts Volunteers

Want to see wild animals up close or learn a cool science experiment? The PTO is in need of volunteers to work with the great performers and educators coming to school this year. The cultural arts committee has booked great in-school events for every grade level, including Wildlife Encounters, the Discovery Museum, authors, and scientists.

We need a few people to serve as liaisons between our guests and the school. To learn more about the opportunities available and to volunteer please sign up here.

Library Volunteers

Are you interested in volunteering in the library this year? If you already have an approved CORI (see below under important

reminders) and are able to help please click here to sign up.

If you have not completed a CORI yet and would like to volunteer this school year please complete one as soon as possible (see the Important Reminders section at the end of this email for more information).

Community News and Events

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

The Town of Andover Health Division has partnered with Remedium Pharmacy of Chelmsford to offer COVID-19 Vaccination clinics using the Pfizer vaccine on Thursday, February 10 at the Robb Center (Senior Center), 30 Whittier Court. This will be a first, second, or booster clinic, depending on what your needs are.

Clinics will be administered by age group:

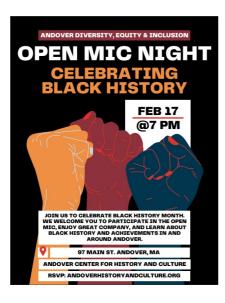
- Ages 12 years and older 2:00-4:00pm
- Ages 5 to 11 years old 4:00-6:00pm

To sign up for an appointment:

- 1. Go. to remediumrx.net.
- 2. Click on appropriate button based on child's age.
- 3. Enter password "Andover."
- 4. Select your time slot and answer the questions that pop up.
- 5. Once the appointment and questions are answered, click "Sign Up Now" and you're registered.

Please contact the Town of Andover Health Division at 978-623-8640 with questions.

Open Mic Night: Celebrating Black History



February is Black History Month. In addition to programming at Bancroft, Andover's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee invites you to participate in and attend on open mic night on Thursday, February 17 at 7:00pm at the Andover Center for History and Culture. This interactive event is a great way to learn about Black history and achievements in and around Andover. The group is also seeking additional participants to make the event a success. Hope to see you there!

COVID-19 School Committee Presentation

APS Director of Nursing Services Rita Casper delivered an update on APS's COVID-19 policies and procedures to the School Committee on January 6. An archive of the meeting is available on AndoverTV here. Rita's presentation starts at 19:51 and continues until 32:30, with a Q&A with the Committee following. Rita's PowerPoint presentation document can be found here.

Andover Spring Soccer

Andover Soccer Association would like to remind parents that online registration is open for the Spring 2022 soccer season. Players in kindergarten through 4th grade are eligible to play in the intown program. Please visit www.andoversoccer.org to learn more and to register for the spring 2022 season. Email intownregistrar@andoversoccer.org with any questions.

Important Reminders

- PTO meetings for the remainder of the school year will all be virtual and will take place on **3/8**, and **5/10**.
- Andover Public Schools require a new Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check every year for anyone who volunteers at a school or school event (i.e. field trip chaperones, volunteers for class parties, etc.). If you would like to volunteer during the 2021-2022 school year, please fill out the APS CORI check form and return it in person to a school administrator with an original government issued ID. Blank forms are also available at the front office.

Upcoming Calendar Items

Click here to access the full Bancroft PTO Calendar
Click here to view the full Andover Public Schools 2020/2021 calendar
on the APS Website.

February 4: February Spirit Day!

February 11: Virtual Valentines submissions due
February 14: Valentine's Day
February 15-18: Bancroft Book Swap
February 21-25: NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

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