



# BNS Bulletin

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WE GROW, WE LAUGH, WE LEARN!

## Take Care of your Holiday Shopping and Help BNS!

This year you can help BNS while holiday shopping.

### Shop at Amazon.com through our website.

If you shop at Amazon, consider shopping there through our website. Simply log onto our website, click the **Check Out Amazon** link on our homepage and start shopping! BNS will get a % of your purchase as a donation!

### Purchase a Christmas in the Finger Lakes CD.

A listening center is set up by the sign-in board to hear a sample of this instrumental CD of favorite holiday tunes. A great Christmas gift for that hard to buy person! Order forms and payment may be placed in the administrator's office or given to your Class Rep. BNS will receive a 50% profit for each CD sold!

Thank you always for your continued support! Happy Shopping!

## From the Administrator

Hello BNS Families,

Winter weather has arrived early this year. When the public school is closed due to the weather so are we. You can listen to WHAM 1180 for announcements on closings. There are also phone trees in place for each class to let everyone know about school closings when needed. Please let your Class Rep know if there have been any changes in your phone contact information including home and alternate numbers such as cell phone or work numbers. This will allow the phone tree to work properly, if necessary.

As long as it is not too cold, the teachers will take the children out to play. Please make sure that children have appropriate clothes and make sure all your child's clothes are labeled as well. Please get in the habit of placing your child's extra outdoor gear (hats, mittens, snow pants) in a plastic bag on the mats in Fellowship Hall each class day so they will always be prepared for outdoor play.

Remember to leave your own snow covered (or wet) shoes at the bottom of the ramp when bringing your child upstairs so the upstairs hall carpeting does not get wet.

This is also a time of year when children get a lot of colds, coughs, and sore throats. BNS follows the same protocol as the Bloomfield Central School District regarding illnesses. Please take a moment to review this policy (also found in your handbook) to ensure the well being of all of our children.

### Important Reminder for Parents

In order to help prevent the spread of illnesses and protect the health of children and staff, **DO NOT send your child to school when he/she has:**

1. Nausea or vomiting, or has vomited or had diarrhea during the night
2. Rash (unless determined by doctor to be non-contagious)
3. Frequent coughing or sneezing
4. Evidence of communicable disease, such as rash, fever or unusual sores
5. A temperature of 100° or above
6. Sore throat with fever
7. A new cold, runny nose and cough (generally feels bad)
8. Unusual watery, burning red or crusted eyes
9. Prolonged headache or stomachache
10. If a child has a fever, he/she may not return to school until it has been normal for 24 hours (without taking a fever-reducing medicine such as Tylenol or Advil)

BNS will close for the holidays from Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> thru Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. School will re-open Thursday, January 3, 2008. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or suggestions you may have.

Warmest Holiday Wishes  
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**Bottle Can Return**  
Throughout the year, we are collecting your bottles and cans. This is an easy way to raise money for our school.

You can drop off your bottles and cans in the basket at the top of the stairs OR

If you would like, your bottles/cans picked up at your door, Amanda Lester will pick them up at your home once a month. If interested, please contact her at 657-4292 or email

[salester2296@frontiernet.net](mailto:salester2296@frontiernet.net)

### Reminder:

Third quarter tuition will be due by mail postmarked no later than January 11, 2008. Our treasurer will be stuffing your child's cubby with an addressed envelope soon.

The Bloomfield Nursery School has teamed with the **United Way!** This means that BNS is eligible to receive United Way contributions through the Donor Option Program. This is an easy way to support our organization. Please keep us in mind when United Way visits your workplace next year. Our code is #2374. Thanks!!

### Curriculum News

This month the children will be playing holiday themed games and learning about similarities and differences. They also will be involved in print making.

New songs this month include *Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer, Jingle Bells, and We Wish You a Merry Christmas.*

Finger plays will include *Christmas Tree, 5 Red Stockings, and Christmas Time.*

Please take a moment to read the weekly curriculum news posted in the coat area. The curriculum news keeps you informed about weekly class information.

### A Different Show and Tell during the month of December

To add a little variety during the month of December, Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. Rosenbauer ask that you have your child bring an item, decoration, or photo that is part of your family's holiday tradition for each show and tell. Children will be able to share family holiday stories and traditions!

For example, a special ornament that has been a part of your family tradition.

Look who's having a Birthday  
Emma Martin December 12<sup>th</sup>  
Happy Birthday!

### Special Thanks to:

Sarah Williams, Vicky Bober, and Christy Knowlton (alumni parents) whose kids are long gone from the BNS program, but still find the time to help us out! Thanks so much Ladies!

Bloomfield Rotary Club for the very generous donation of \$250!

### Holiday Parties

The T/Th class party will be Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The MWF classes will have their parties on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. The festivities will take place during the last 20-30 minutes of class time. You are welcome to come back and join your child's class during this time. If you would like to bring in treats for the pinata, please sign up on the sheet posted on the cleaning closet door.

### Field Trip Information

All the classes will be going to Thistledale Farm in December to decorate trees for the animals. The T/Th class will go on Thursday, December 13. The MWF classes will go on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

A Special thanks to the Harrison family for allowing us to visit their farm for this special holiday project.

Please remember to dress children appropriately for the field trip.

Please place your child's car/booster seat in the car that they will be driven in on the day of the field trip.

### Looking Ahead:

The BNS Open House will be on February 10, 2008 from 2-4 pm.

This is a great time to mention this to your family and friends who have 3 and 4 year olds (by Dec 1, 2008).

Tell them about BNS and invite them to our Open House in February to meet the teachers and see the school!