



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**CES Food  
Pantry**

8:15 - 3:00  
Available Daily

January 10th  
**PTF Meeting**  
3:00-4:00

January 15th  
**No School**  
Martin Luther  
King Jr. Day

January 23rd  
**Colby College  
Trip**  
Grade 5

January 24th  
**Early Release  
Day**  
11:45 Dismissal

January 24th  
**Colby College  
Trip**  
Grade 4

# 2024

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Message from the Principal

Happy New Year! I am so glad to see the students back at school. The new year is always a time of reflection as we look back on the year past and prepare for the new year to come. I am not a person to make new year resolutions, however I work every day to be the best self I can.

Our December Student of the Month Assembly was cancelled due to the storm prior to vacation. We will be recognizing both December and January students on January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Any parent wishing to volunteer in their child's classroom or for the school needs to complete a Volunteer Request Form prior to volunteering. This process can take more than a week to get approval so please plan accordingly.



Please remember to send students to school prepared for the weather. Snow/Ice = hats, mittens, boots and jackets. We require everyone to wear a jacket at recess. Just a sweatshirt will not be enough. It is helpful to have your child's items labeled in case they get lost.

### LOST and FOUND

Thanks to our PTF we have a new hanging rack for our lost and found. If your child is missing items, please come and check it out.



### Morning Arrival

Now that the snow and ice have arrived, for the safety of the students, I would like to remind anyone dropping students off to wait until buses leave the parking lot to let your child walk over to the school. In the past, we have had children slip on the ice in the front parking area and I would like to avoid any injuries. Safety during arrival is my top priority.

### Community Food Pantry

We are excited to announce the arrival of a second freezer to our pantry to help us keep a supply of frozen food available based on recent demands. The pantry is open every day from 8:15 to 3:00 and is available to any family with a child at Canaan Elementary. Please keep in mind that many members of the school community use our pantry on a regular basis. In order to avoid the need to limit the number of bags people can take, and to assure we have an adequate supply, we are asking people to "shop" for their families short term needs.