

Thursday, December 14th, 2023

BROOKWOOD JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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If you are interested in seeing the Brookwood Morning announcements, please go to our website, www.now.k12.wi.us, click on BHS Daily Announcements, or follow us on Facebook: [Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton School District](https://www.facebook.com/Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton-School-District).

School closings due to emergency conditions will be announced the following ways: Facebook, Email, Text, Voice Recording sent to families via SchoolMessenger; Announcements on the following radio & television stations: Radio-WCOW 97.1 FM, WBOG 94.5 FM, WVRO 102 FM; Television-WKBT La Crosse Channel 8, WXOW La Crosse Channel 19.

Lunch Menu for Dec. 18th - 22nd

All lunches are served with the option of fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, salad and milk.

Monday	Build Your Own Chicken Wrap or Chef Salad, Garlic Breadstick, Cottage Cheese, Slushie
Tuesday	Spaghetti Sauce or Chicken Alfredo Sauce Over Noodles, Peas & Carrots, Garlic Bread
Wednesday	Bacon Cheeseburger Pizza or Chili, Vegetable Choice
Thursday	Hot Dog or Brat, Calico Beans, Chips, Christmas Dessert
Friday	NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK

Please make sure your students have money in their lunch account as we cannot provide free breakfast & lunch this year. Free & Reduced Meal Applications are available in the office. Payments can be sent to school with your student or online through Skyward.

~~ Show your **Holiday Spirit** for the month of December! ~~

Falcon Holiday Spirit Dress-Up Days:

Please remember to still follow the school dress code policy. Hats are only allowed if part of the theme.

Fri. 15th	Festive Friday - wear your favorite holiday shirt
Mon. 18th	Slay Bells Ring, Are You Glistening? – dress up as if you were attending a fancy Holiday or New Year's event
Tues. 19th	Tacky Sweater Tuesday - break out your tackiest/ugly sweaters
Wed. 20th	Christmas Spirit – dress in red and green
Thur. 21st	Night Before Christmas – wear your Christmas pajamas

Upcoming Events

Monday, Dec. 18th	Elementary Holiday Concert @ 6:00pm (K - 3rd grade @ 6pm, 4th - 6th grade @ 7pm)
Dec. 22nd - Jan. 1st	NO SCHOOL: Winter Break
Friday, Jan. 12th	End of First Semester
Monday, Jan. 15th	NO SCHOOL: Teacher Workday

Thursday, December 14

HS Girls Basketball hosts Westby: JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00

HS Boys Basketball @ Bangor: C 4:30; JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00 (*Charlie N. / DISMISS 3:05; BHS 3:20*)

JH Boys Basketball @ Royall: 5:30 (*Dan Hyatt / BHS 4:25*)

Friday, December 15

HS Girls Basketball @ Cashton: JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00 (*Mike Luethel / BHS 4:45*)

HS Wrestling @ Whitehall: 4:00 (*Lee Stenerson / Dismiss 12:45; BHS 1:00*)

Monday, December 18 (by 12:00pm)

Deadline for Sign-Up: JH Girls Basketball & JH Wrestling

Tuesday, December 19

HS Boys Basketball hosts Cashton: C 4:30; JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00

HS Girls Basketball @ Viroqua: JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00 (*Charlie Neumann / BHS 4:25*)

JH Boys Basketball @ DeSoto: 7th 6:00; 8th 7:00 (*Rob Ross / BHS 4:15*)

Thursday, December 21

HS Girls Basketball hosts Royall: JV 5:45; Varsity 7:00

Friday, December 22

HS Wrestling @ New Lisbon: 7:00 (*Lee Stenerson / BHS 4:50*)

HS Boys Basketball Practice: 10:00 – 12:00 PM

HS Girls Basketball Practice: 3:30 – 5:30 PM

Wednesday, December 27

JH Girls Basketball Practice Begins: 10:00 – 12:00 PM

HS Boys Basketball Practice: 5:00 – 7:00 PM

HS Wrestling Practice: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Thursday, December 28

HS Girls Basketball Practice: 7:30 – 9:00 AM

JH Girls Basketball Practice: 10:00 – 12:00 PM

HS Wrestling Practice: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Friday, December 29

HS Girls Basketball Practice: 7:30 – 9:00 AM

JH Girls Basketball Practice: 10:00 – 12:00 PM

HS Boys Basketball Practice: 5:00 – 7:00 PM

HS Wrestling @ Whitewater: 9:00 (*VANS / Norwalk 4:40; Ontario 4:55; Wilton 5:05*)

Saturday, December 30

HS Wrestling @ Whitewater: 9:00 (*VANS / RETURN APPROXIMATELY 11:00 PM*)

HS Boys Basketball Practice: 4:30 – 6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 2

JH Girls Basketball Practice @ Wilton: 3:30 PM

JH Wrestling Practice Begins (EL Gym): 3:30 PM

NOTES ABOUT ATTENDING ATHLETIC EVENTS:

Young children need to be supervised at all athletic events. We've had a couple of incidents where unsupervised kids were injured while running through the halls. Also, some unsupervised children are disrupting the work of the night custodians. Please show our custodians the respect they deserve.

Fans are reminded that attendance at athletic contests carries responsibilities. The expectation is that fans support all of our teams and coaches in a positive manner. Yelling at officials, coaches, and players is not positive, reflects poorly on our school and our community, and embarrasses our student-athletes.

NOVEMBER ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Girls Basketball	Boys Basketball	Wrestling
Ruby Muehlenkamp	Brett Baker & Wyatt Maurhoff	Henner Gomez-Calmo

At last week's girl's basketball game, the **Burnstad Family Foundation**, (represented by Brookwood alum, Derek Burnstad, and his son, Blake) presented a check for \$10,000 to District Administrator: Travis Anderson, Athletic Director: Ken Clinton, and Falcon Foundation - PTA Members: Ann Anderson and Leah Brueggen. Their donation will be used towards athletics expenses associated with our current building projects.

On behalf of our school, our students, our staff, and the communities of Norwalk, Ontario, and Wilton, we want to express our tremendous gratitude and thanks to Derek and the Burnstad Family Foundation for their generosity in supporting this project and Brookwood High School.

Student of the Week

Braeden Pasch always has a smile on his face and a positive attitude in class. He actively participates in class discussion and asks questions when further explanation is needed. Braeden's upbeat personality and willingness to understand and apply what he has learned in class makes him a top notch student. Congratulations, Braeden!

Artists of the Month!

The Brookwood High School Artists of the Month for November
Emma Baldwin & Ariana Martinez Koltermann
for their watercolor paintings

IN OTHER NEWS:

- **FFA Fruit Orders Are In:** The FFA Fruit Orders have arrived & deliveries should be happening soon.
- **Class of 2024 & Parent/Guardians:** Looking for something for your senior to do over the break? How about having them fill out scholarship applications! All scholarships available are posted in Xello. The class of 2024 received an email on Monday, Dec. 4th to remind them how to log in and see the scholarships. Please have them stop in and see Mrs. Pasch or Mrs. Nemec if they have any questions!
- **Brookwood's Diversity Club** members "adopted" 5 Monroe County children for the holiday season. The club members budgeted their allotted spending money between the needs and wants of each child and came to understand the importance of giving back to the community when you can to help support those in need!
- **Calculators for Sale:** The math department has a limited number of retired TI-83 graphing calculators for sale for \$20. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Campos!
- **Class Dues:** Reminder to pay your class dues to the following advisors: Seniors to Ms. Holte, Juniors to Mrs. Sheehan, Sophomores to Mr. Da Prato, and Freshmen to Mr. Behrens.
- **Pre-School Playgroup:** Open to kids up to 4 years old. Join us Fridays from 10-12pm for learning, fun & snacks!
- **License/Road Test:** As of January 1, 2024, drivers under the age of 18 will need to complete an in-person road test to obtain their Probationary license. Appointments for a road test can be scheduled 11 weeks in advance at wisconsindmv.gov/roadtest. Student drivers ages 16 and 17 who have completed their required driver education course, behind the wheel training, and 50 hours of supervised driving may still apply for the road test waiver through December 31, 2023.
- **Lost & Found:** Please don't forget to check the lost & found. Some items have been collected in the HS office, some are on a table in the Commons.

	Norwalk Library	Ontario Library	Wilton Library
Director's Name	Jesica Helgren	Rachel Connor	Kelly Upton
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News From Your Local Libraries:

- **Norwalk Public Library:** All events are free! Please register so that we know how many supplies to prepare.
 - Storytime with Jana! Join Jana at 5:15 on December 20th for a Christmas story and grab & go craft.
 - Christmas themed craft. Bring the kids and the grandparents to make a fun Christmas craft starting at 4:30 p.m. on December 21st. All supplies provided. Great for all ages!
 - STEM Club. On December 16th at 10:00, join us for a fun STEM activity. This month, we'll play with Sphero balls as we learn about programming. Great for kids ages 7+. No registration needed.
 - Christmas Break Breakout for t(w)eens! Bored over Christmas break? We will have a Nintendo Switch and Wii to play (bring your own for even more fun). You can also try to break out of our "escape room." There will be snacks and drinks available. Grades 7-12! Dec 26 th – Dec 30 th . No registration needed.
 - News Year's Day Party for Teens! Teens in grades 7-12 can pop into the library on Jan 1 st from Noon – 4pm for a fun day of video and board games, movies, treats, and prizes! Bring a friend and your own Nintendo Switch or Wii system and games if you have them (we'll have some available for use).

- **Ontario Public Library:**

- Thank you to everyone who made the Annual Ontario Public Library Holiday Sale a success! Handmade knit items will continue to be available for purchase in support of the library until Christmas.
- Kids in the Kitchen – Holiday Edition is coming up on December 18th at 4:00pm at Ontario Public Library. Kids can come to make a holiday treat to gift or share. In this class, kids will be decorating Oreos for Christmas by dipping them in candy coating and decorating them to their liking. Kids will be given decorating ideas and will be encouraged to get creative! This project is suitable for kids of all ages. Parents are welcome to join! RSVP appreciated: 608-337-4651.
- One more December Storytime will be held on Wednesday 20th at 11:00am at Ontario Public Library. Bring your little story lovers for stories, activities, and fun time together!
- If you were not able to tour the Christmas Wonderland Open House to benefit the Ontario Public Library this past weekend at the Wilmer Pearson Home, consider reserving a spot for his Christmas Tea on Friday, December 15th at 2:00pm or 4:00pm; or on Saturday, December 16th at 3:00pm. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per person. For tea reservations please call 608-337-4432.

Wilton Public Library: As always, events are free at the library!

- Wilton Library is bursting with activities in the next several weeks and looking forward to all the holiday festivities. In the midst of all the hustle and bustle of the holidays, please don't forget our community drive going on to help those that need it in the Wilton area:
 - We still have the Keep Wilton Warm clothing drive happening in the hall between the library and the food pantry. If you have any gently used coats, hats, gloves, scarves, or other clothing to keep a person warm when the temperatures dip that you no longer need, please bring it in to the hall and hang it up or place in the baskets on the shelves. If you need these items, please stop in, and take what you need. It is a simple exchange area, and we won't ask any questions.
- Don't forget that we have a lot going on at Wilton Library as we lead up to the New Year. Especially our holiday party that promises to be a great time on Saturday the 16th in the gym starting with a community dinner, please bring a dish to pass. Followed by Brookwood band and choir students and their directors leading a holiday sing a long. Then the Big Man, Santa, arrives around 7 pm and we'll have story time with Santa followed by pictures and giving Santa our wish lists. Then we'll round out the evening with Bingo and some prizes. We plan to wrap up around 8:30 pm.
 - If you are able, please come in around 3 pm to help decorate or stay after to help clean up. We appreciate all our volunteers that can make our work light.
- Other upcoming events are:
 - December 15 10:00 AM: Current events Discussion Group
 - December 16 5:00 PM: Holiday Party
 - December 19 4:00 PM: Board Game Club
 - December 20 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour
 - December 22 10:00 AM: Current Events Discussion Group
 - December 25: Closed All Day in observation of Christmas
 - December 27 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour
 - December 27 11:30 AM: Holiday Break Story Hour, Open to all ages
 - December 27 12:30 PM: Friends of the Wilton Library meeting
 - December 29 10:00 AM Current Events Discussion Group
 - January 1, 2024: Closed all day in observation of New Year Day