

# BASCP NEWSLETTER

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## Director's Notes

### VERY IMPORTANT

**Wednesday, February 7 is an Early Release day.** This means that all children will be released from school at 12:30pm. Children who are enrolled in Group B Extended Day are able to attend the program from 12:30-3:00pm as usual. **Please note that there is NO 3PM bus this day!** If your child is normally enrolled in After School from 3-6pm on Wednesdays, they will be able to attend the program from 12:30-6pm. If you have any questions, please call 617-969-3130. Please be sure to send a lunch, school lunches are not available!!!

### School & After School Closing

BASCP follows the city's direction on whether or not we are able to open or remain open in the event of bad weather or other emergency. Up to date info on weather can be found on the city's website: [www.3.newton.k12.ma.us](http://www.3.newton.k12.ma.us).

### Winter Pick Up Plan

Weather can be tricky throughout the winter. For your peace of mind, think of pairing up with another after school parent to cover you in the event of a late arrival to pick up your child/ren. *We all want to avoid those dreaded Late Fees!*

### Children Evaluations

Teachers have been working hard on your child's evaluation to give you a quick glimpse of what their day is like in BASCP. Evaluations will be handed out after February Vacation.

### Application Season is Fast Approaching:

Again this year we are will be sending our applications out via email. If you are a returning family, please make sure that we have your correct e-mail address as we will e-mail applications to currently enrolled families on April 2nd. BASCP's open enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is from April 2nd-April 16th. If you are a currently enrolled family, you will automatically receive an application for next year. If you know any families who are interested in joining BASCP, please have them call 617-969-3130 or e-mail me at [ellenweiss@bascp.org](mailto:ellenweiss@bascp.org).

### Building Security

In order to maintain the safety of all who are in the building during after school hours please allow staff to use the buzz system to let people into the building.

### Be Part of the Fun!

I am currently seeking to fill one, possibly two spots on the Board of Director's for the 2018-2019 school year. The Board typically meets once a month to discuss policies and procedures within the program. Dinner is provided of course!!! Participating on the Board affords parents the opportunity to help guide the program as we continue to strive to be the best possible program we can be. If you might be interested in joining the Board, please speak with Ellen or a current Board Member.

### Food, Fun and Friendly Banter

Join the BASCP Board of Directors and Leadership Team for some delicious food and discussion about the program on Thursday, March 15 from 6-7pm in the Bowen Library.

### National After School Association Convention

For the 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row the BASCP Board of Directors has decided to send me and a coordinator to the NAA 2018 Convention. This year I am thrilled to be traveling to Atlanta with Jason to bring back some of the latest and greatest ideas in after school programming. BASCP is extremely fortunate to have a Board of Directors that places such a high value on the importance of staff professional development.

### BASCP's First Annual Kindness Club Craft/Bake Sale

Be sure to bring your money to help the BASCP Kindness Club raise funds for All Sato Rescue on Tuesday, February 13 from 2-5pm. More information to follow!

### Kindness Club Random Acts of Kindness

For January's Random Acts of Kindness, Helena worked with Ozone students to create paper fortune cookies with kind messages that were distributed around the school building. What a great little way to brighten someone's day!



## K Extended Day

Kindergarten Extended Day is heading off to the Winter Olympics! From Olympic torches and wreaths to medals and flags, we will be exploring the wide world of Olympics, while exploring different countries from around the world! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [christieb@bascp.org](mailto:christieb@bascp.org) or by calling the BASCP office.

## K-1 Stars

The K-1 Stars are packing their bags, booking their flights, and getting ready to travel Around the World to celebrate the 2018 Winter Olympics! This month we will be offering a captivating combination of Olympic-themed and multicultural themed activities. Here is a snapshot of our calendar! Fran will be creating Olympic Ring Art; Brandon will be leading Around the World Dance; Robin will be making Russian dolls; Bryan will be creating Flag Rocks. On February 9th, we will welcome a special guest, my dad(!), to do a presentation and performance on bagpipes. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [christieb@bascp.org](mailto:christieb@bascp.org) or by calling the BASCP office.

## 2-3 Comets

Get ready as the Comets program explores the many wonders of the 2018 Winter Olympics! We will have activities that include designing your own country and flag, learning the different flags of the world, building Olympic Venues, making medals and trophies, inventing an Olympic Sport, cross country skiing, and Olympic Ring Art! We will be introducing a bunch of new games from different countries. Also, we will be learning about the 2018 Olympians and doing research on our laptops. What better way to learn about the Olympics than to watch it live through streaming events on our laptops!

Be sure to check out the interactive Bulletin board in Mod D as you will find Olympic Trivia, information, and updates!

## 4-5 Ozone

Spanning the globe to bring you the constant variety of sport, the thrill of victory, the agony of defeat, the human drama of athletic competition...this is the Ozone's February Winter Olympics! Hopefully there will not be too much agony throughout the month as students try our versions of Winter Olympic events, including speed skating, biathlon, and maybe even curling.

Along with "the variety of sport," children will explore the variety of cultures during our Tuesday world art activities and Connor's world music activity. Children will also enjoy the STEAMlympics with Helena, Olympic mascot sewing, and many other Olympic themed challenges and activities. We hope to see many cheers of "Woah Nellie!" and "Oh My!" this February as the Ozone turns into an Olympic village.



# Enrichment & Billing

February 2018



## Enrichment:

Due to the January 23 Nashoba Ski School cancelation, we will be extending the season by making up this class on February 6. Please remember to pack your ski student with the appropriate outerwear and drop off their equipment in advance of our departure for Nashoba.

All interested parties are invited to visit our fully functioning Hydroponics lab in the Art Zone which was constructed by participating Mad Makers Lab students in early January. Our hope is to grow a new “spicy” tomato through our hydroponics system, followed by a refinement and cloning of the seeds produced.

Please check the enrichment binder located at your program’s sign out station for all the scheduled enrichment opportunities that you are welcome to sign up your student to attend for the month of January.

### K-1

What	When:	Time:	Where
Bagpipe Specialist	Friday, 2/9	3:30-4:30PM	Auditorium
Coding App Hopscotch	Monday, 2/12	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker’s Lab
Sledding Field Trip	Tuesday, 2/13	1:00-3:00PM	Larz Anderson Park
Farm 2 Market	Thursday, 2/15	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker’s Lab
Farm 2 Market	Monday, 2/26	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker’s Lab

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Coding App Hopscotch	Friday, 2/2	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Maker’s Lab
Ultimaker Pioneers	Monday, 2/5	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Nashoba Ski School	Tuesday, 2/6	1:00-5:30PM	Nashoba Valley
Coding App Hopscotch	Wednesday, 2/7	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Basketball @ Franklin	Thursday, 2/8	3:30-5:30PM	Franklin Elementary
Ultimaker Pioneers	Friday, 2/16	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Field Trip	Tuesday, 2/27	3:30-5:30PM	Form Labs
Coding App Hopscotch	Wednesday, 2/28	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab

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Field Trip	Tuesday, 2/27	3:30-5:30PM	Form Labs
Coding App Hopscotch	Wednesday, 2/28	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab

Thank You as always,  
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