

Happy WINTER



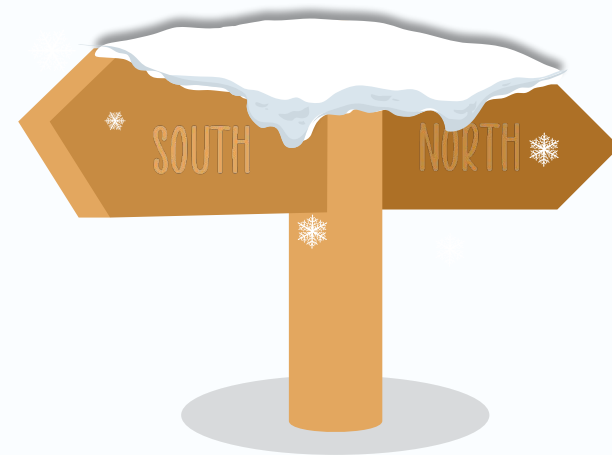
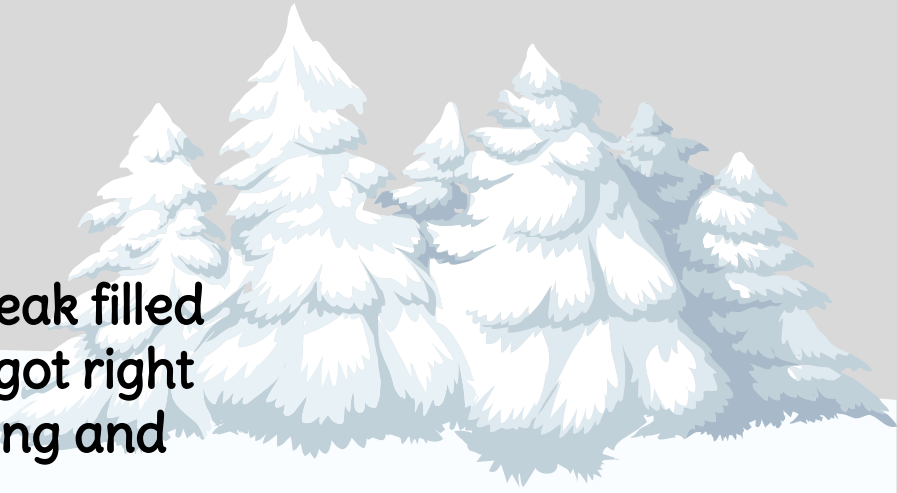
BENTHEIM NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 6, 2023

From Mr. Randall...

Welcome back! I hope each of you had a wonderful Christmas break filled with family time, fun, relaxation, rest, etc. Our students and staff got right back into their routines this week and are already back to learning and growing together!

The next 3 weeks we will be doing another round of what we call “Benchmark Testing”. During this time we give our students reading, math, and other assessments to see how much progress we have made so far this year. Some of these assessments are given one-on-one with an adult, while others are given on computers and ipads. We are so excited to see how much our students have grown this year!

On Friday, January 13th we will have our 3rd Random BEST Ticket drawing! When students receive a BEST ticket, for following our BEST behavior expectations, they can enter their ticket for a chance to win!



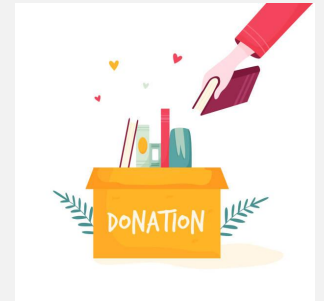


GENTLY USED BOOK DONATIONS REQUESTED

DO YOU HAVE GENTLY USED BOOKS THAT YOU WOULD LOVE TO GET RID OF?

We are starting this NEW YEAR off with a continued focus on GROWING YOUNG READERS. The staff at Bentheim would love the opportunity to accept YOUR GENTLY USED BOOKS; a donation box is kept in the front entrance lobby of the school. We will continue to share books within the Bentheim community, by providing them to our students and their families. Thank you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Jared Randall at jrandall@hamiltonschools.us or Amy Bain at abain@hamiltonschools.us.



PROTECT YOUNG EYES EVENT

Jan. 23 6:30-8:00 p.m. @ Hamilton High School

The Digital Culture of Kids: Building a Framework of Trust (Parents and Caring Adults, 14+)

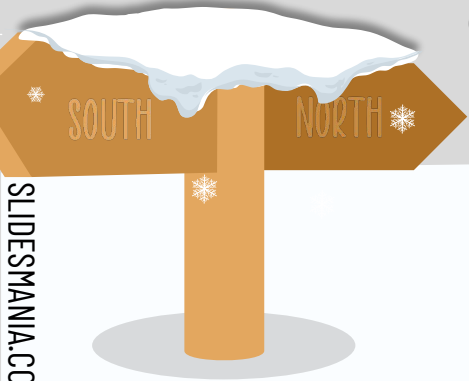
Technology can do so much good in the world. But if not used well, it can also do so much harm. Never before in human history have young people had the ability to so radically change the trajectory of each other's lives so quickly.

After 7+ years, over 1,500 presentations, testifying in front of Congress, and countless conversations with parents, students, educators, and officers, PYE has discovered that parental controls alone don't work and instead, there are 5 traits that often determine digital success in many families. We call these 5 traits the Digital Trust Framework. What is Digital Trust? Do you have it? How does it apply to conversations about social media? Pornography? YouTube? TikTok? Our fast-paced talk will use stories, simple examples, and quick tips that will give your family immediate actions.

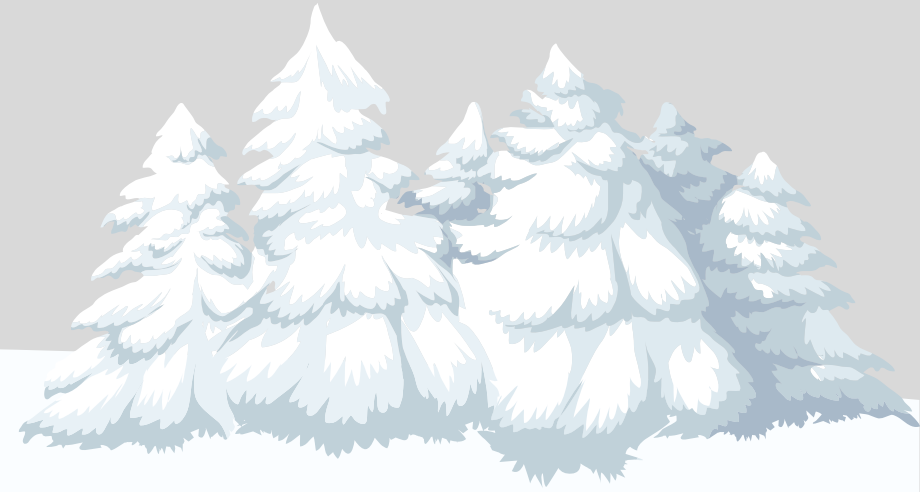
Our desired outcomes include:

- **A deep understanding of how to build Digital Trust in your family.**
- **Awareness of the hardware and software tools that support your digital goals.**
- **How to use practical solutions so that your family is prepared, balanced, and protected online.**

THIS IS A FREE EVENT AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!



PTO NEWS



Our next PTO meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 23 @ 5:00p.m. (note time change). Looking ahead...Fun Night will be March 17. More information to follow.





Parents, if you have a child who will be 5 years old by December 1, 2023, please call our office to register him or her for Kindergarten (this includes Young Fives registrants as well). Also, if you know parents who may not have children in school yet and maybe won't see this Newsletter or get our correspondence, please share this information with them too. The phone number at school is 269-751-5335.

We have a parent information night coming up on February 20, 2023 from 6:00-7:00 pm in the library here at Bentheim. The purpose of this event is to provide parents with information in regards to the registration process, the difference between Young 5's and Kindergarten, explore what a typical day looks like in Y5/K here at Bentheim, and answer any questions parents may have. Your child is welcome to attend, however, it is not necessary.

In addition, we will be providing childcare for anyone who may need it. We understand that childcare is often tough to find, so we wanted to provide care so any families who wanted to attend had that opportunity. Feel free to call the office or email me at jrandall@hamiltonschools.us if you have any questions.

UPCOMING DATES

Friday, Jan. 27 - No School for Students

End of 1st Semester

Monday, Feb. 13 & Tuesday, Feb. 14 - No School

Winter Break

Friday, March 10 - No School for Students

Friday, March 31 - April 7 No School for Students

Spring Break



**Upcoming
Events**