

KENNETH A. BRETT SCHOOL

December 10, 2008



Special points of interest!

- 12/10 - School Board Mtg. 5:30pm
 - 12/10 - Jr. High Basketball at Bartlett
 - 12/16 - Jr. High Basketball at Holderness
 - 12/17 - Holiday Concert 6:30PM
 - 12/24/08-01/04/09 - Holiday Vacation
- No School

KenKen

36X		1-	
3+		32X	
	1	2-	
8X			3

This is a KenKen puzzle, created by Robert Lavoie. Robert is a 7th grade student in Mrs. Chant's math class.

Each row and column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 without repeating. The numbers within the outlined boxes, or cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners. Fill in the single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

Health News - Nearly 25% of children's daily energy intake comes from snacking between meals. Healthy snack choices are important and play a major role in your child's health. Children may eat a snack every three to four hours but only if they are hungry; it is helpful to discourage snacking right before mealtimes to insure that they get a good balanced diet.

Brett School Holiday Concert - Enjoy another holiday tradition - the Brett School Holiday Concert on Wednesday, December 17th at 6:30PM in the gymnasium. Featuring grades K through 5 classroom performances and the band and chorus. If your child will not be participating, we would appreciate you sending in a note telling us this. Hope to see you there!

Tamworth Community Christmas Project - The Tamworth Community Christmas Project provides Christmas gifts to those families in our community that may be struggling at this time of year. The student council has asked to participate in this project, as a way of giving back to the community that has been so generous in its support of our school. This week we will be taking donations that will go towards this project. Donations can include new toys and books, new winter clothing items, or cash. Items are needed for all age groups, including high school. Student council members will buy items with the cash donations once everything is collected. Students wishing to make donations can bring them in to their teacher or advisor. We understand that everyone may not be able to donate this year, but for those who can, it is truly appreciated.

Thank you - Student Council

Ice Storm of 1998 by Cooper Gonyo

I interviewed my mom about the ice storm of 1998. I was about 2 1/2 years old and my dad was working out of town a lot that year. My mom remembers a lot of snow and shoveling. She would leave me with my grandmother, Babe, and she would head to work. She worked all day at the N.H.E.C. in the Meredith District and would come home after work and play with me. After dinner we would put our snow clothes on. She would shovel and I would play.

The ice storm covered everything outside and we lost our power. She was called into work to help restore everyone else's electrical service. My mom had to call my dad to come home from Maine so she could work. I stayed with my dad and she worked all day from 5AM to 9PM for 20 days. We all slept in the same bed for four days because we had no back up heat.

She remembers only seeing me twice in all that time. By the time she would get home, I would already be in bed. The one time she got home to read me a story, she actually fell asleep while reading to me!

My mom said it was a devastating storm and many people went almost two weeks without power. She said once the storm was over it was actually beautiful outside. All the trees were bent over, broken, but glistening with ice. The sun reflected off all the ice, making a spectacular sight.

Community Events

Tin Mt. Conservation Center - December 21st is the 20th Annual North Conway Christmas Bird Count. Check out www.tinmtn.org for the latest nature programs and dinners being offered.

Chocorua Public Library - On December 15th, the library hosts A Chocorua Village Christmas, 5-7PM. Come by for refreshments, caroling, and a reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas, by the Schneider Marionettes. Call the library at 323-8610 for more information.

HOSA and Skills USA - December 17th is Dinner With Santa from 4:30—6:00PM at the Kennett High School Mineral Springs Café. \$6.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children 10 and under.

Remick Museum - Check out www.remickmuseum.org for the upcoming workshops and hearthside dinners being offered.

Arts Council of Tamworth - Check out www.artstamworth.org for upcoming events.

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Members of the Tamworth School Community:

It is my pleasure to inform everyone that effective January 5, 2009; Mrs. Donna Ulitz will be assuming the position as the Brett School's new Guidance Counselor. Donna recently completed her guidance internship here at the Brett School. Within a few days she will have completed her graduate program earning a master of science in Human Services in Counseling Studies.

Donna has been our administrative assistant for the past 14 ½ years. During her time here at the Brett School she has also served as the Tamworth School Board secretary, a coordinator of the after school program and as a PBIS "coach". She will continue in a couple of those roles, and bring her dedication and enthusiasm to her new position as the school's counselor.

Our current guidance counselor, Mary Ann Smith, will be retiring at the end of December. She has worked at the Brett School in various capacities for the past 30 years - since 2000 as the school counselor. She has been devoted to our students and committed to making our school community a better place. She will be sorely missed.

Completing mid-year transitions within our staff, Kathi Brown, who has served the past several years as the school's secretary/receptionist, will be assuming the administrative assistant position – also effective January 5th when we return from our holiday vacation.

Here at the Brett School we are most fortunate to have highly qualified and committed staff – both professional and support – to serve the needs of your children. If you have the opportunity the next time you visit with us, please congratulate Donna, Mary Ann, and Kathi as each moves into their new experience here at the Brett School.

Sincerely,

Noel J DeSousa