



# Patriot Nation Weekly

2/6/26

## From the Principal's Desk...

Happy February! Stay warm!

"You were created in the image and likeness of God. You were made for God's fellowship, and your heart can never be satisfied without His communion. Just as iron is attracted to a magnet, the soul in its state of hunger is drawn to God. Though you, like thousands of others, may feel in the state of sin that the world is more alluring and more to your liking, some day—perhaps even now as you read these words—you will acknowledge that there is something deep down inside you which cannot be satisfied by the alloy of earth. Then with David, the Psalmist who had sampled the delicacies of sin and had found them unsatisfying, you will say, "Oh God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is."

Billy Graham Devotions

"Create in me a new, clean heart, O God, filled with clean thoughts and right desires."

Psalm 51:10

## FEB. Date Reminders

**Feb. 9-13- Winter Carnival Week (High School)**

**Feb. 13- Early Release Day (12:00 Dismissal; No After Care)**

**Feb. 16-20- February Break (students return to school on Feb. 23)**

**Feb. 27- Fundraiser Friday; Dress Down Day**

**Feb. 27-Qtr. 3 Mid-Quarter**

## Ministry Opportunities

We are in need of a **Middle School Teacher (Grades 7 & 8)**, a **Nurse Substitute (Tuesdays and Fridays)** and **Substitute Teachers**. Contact the school if you have any questions or are interested!

## Winter Carnival Theme Days

(Please note: the scoring criteria is for the high school students as they are able to earn Winter Carnival points)

\*Elementary and middle school classes may not be participating; it is being left up to the discretion of the teachers.

Monday: "Color Day" your teacher's favorite color (or the class favorite color)

Tuesday: "Season OR Seasonal Holiday Day" (dress as your classes season OR as the holiday of their season)

Wednesday: "Twin Day" (this is typically Winter Carnival t-shirt day where everyone wears their winter carnival t-shirt and other fun accessories).

### General guidelines for all Spirit Dress Days:

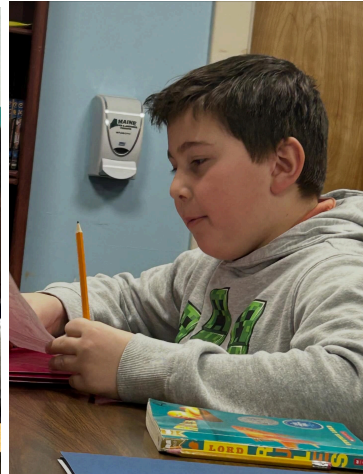
- All clothing must be within normal dress down day attire
- Face paint and hair paint are allowed
- Wearing clothing that is immodest or crude will result in the class being disqualified
- Classes will receive points based on the percentage of the class that participates
- **Every element of the costume from head to toe will be judged.**

## Patriots Athletics

Please also be praying for the health and safety of our student athletes this week!

## Weekly Highlights

Literature Circles kicked off this week in 4th grade led by our student Discussion Directors. Learning to read with a specific responsibility to the group. Discussing our books and learning from each other. Working cooperatively with our group members.





Follow us on social media for classroom and school highlights each week.

### **Tim Hortons Lunch Program**

We offer lunch through Tim Hortons. Please check your email for the order form/link, and email [jorcutt@bangorchristian.org](mailto:jorcutt@bangorchristian.org) with any questions. One form will need to be filled out per child. Please try and be careful not to enter duplicates for the same child. Orders must be placed by 8:00 p.m. the night before. The link is also shared on our Facebook page.

### **BCS Parent Alert:**

The BCS Parent Alert is a very important tool used to notify parents of upcoming situations/events occurring at the school such as an early dismissal, a snow day, or delay. If you have not been receiving these alerts, please reach out Dierdre in the business office (207) 947-7356 ext. 355, so all phone numbers and contact information can be added to your file.

### **Student Opportunities**



Fields Pond Nature Center (Maine Audubon) located in Holden will be hosting a Winterfest on February 7, 2026. Participants can look forward to:

- Family Winter Scavenger Hunt
- Wildlife Track Cast Making
- Snow sculpting fun!
- Wildlife fur and skulls touch table
- Winter crafts
- Outdoor warming station
- Guided Naturalist Hikes at 11 am and 1 pm

Check out the link [here](#) for more information and to register.

The Challenger Learning Center of Maine has several student programs available during the month of February. Check out the link [here](#) for more information.

<b>FEB 13</b>	<b>A Night Out... Way Out</b> 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM 30 Venture Way, Bangor	<b>Age Range:</b> 16+
<b>FEB 16</b>	<b>STEM Double Header</b> 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM 30 Venture Way, Bangor	<b>Age Range:</b> 5-10
<b>FEB 23</b>	<b>Engineering Challenge: Wind Turbine Design</b> 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM 30 Venture Way, Bangor	<b>Age Range:</b> K-4th
<b>FEB 26</b>	<b>Girls Who Code: Continuum</b> 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM(Thursdays) 30 Venture Way, Bangor	<b>Age Range:</b> 8-12

[Challenger Information Link](#)

[Cole Land Transportation Museum  
Scholarship Now Available!](#)

Thanks to the generous support of the Cole Land Transportation Museum in Bangor, ME, the **Challenger Learning Center of Maine is offering need-based scholarships** for select Challenger summer camps! These scholarships cover one camp week per student and are intended to help families who demonstrate financial need so kids can experience hands-on STEM learning.

**Camps Eligible for the Cole Scholarship:**

Robot Tech (Grades 2–4)

NEW! Robot++ (Grades 3–5)

Expedition Earth (Grades 3–5)

Important Notes:

Priority is given to first-time applicants.

**COLE LAND TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM**

**COLE SCHOLARSHIP**

2026

The Challenger Learning Center of Maine is offering need-based Cole Scholarships to help students attend select summer STEM camps at no cost.

Thanks to the generous support of the Cole Land Transportation Museum, eligible students can experience hands-on learning in robotics and Earth science.

Priority is given to first-time applicants.

Scan the QR code to learn more!

[www.astronaut.org](http://www.astronaut.org)

Scholarship recipients are required to mail a handwritten thank-you note to the Cole Land Transportation Museum after camp.

Full attendance is required — no skipping!

Families are encouraged to visit the Cole Land Transportation Museum in Bangor by Nov 11, 2026 (free admission for kids & students).

Apply Today: <https://www.astronaut.org/cole-scholarship>

### School Store

With the weather turning cooler, now is the time to order your student a BCS hoodie or outer apparel to wear at school! If you are interested in ordering more items from the BCS school store, here is the link.

[BCS School Store](#)

### Driver's Ed Opportunity

Warman's Driving Academy will be offering driver's ed classes at BCS again this year. Please visit [www.warmansdrivingacademy.com](http://www.warmansdrivingacademy.com) if you'd like more information or to register!

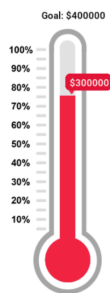
### Patriot Fund Link

We invite you to join our Mission...

We are excited to share that we are in the midst of an active campaign with a **matching opportunity of up to \$200,000.**

That means every dollar you give will go **twice as far in supporting our mission** and shaping the next generation of Christian leaders.

Visit our website to **GIVE**-  
<https://www.bangorchristian.com/>



We are still fundraising for the 25-26 school year! Please check out our Goal Thermometer sign outside the front of the brick building. We are excited to be able to start the year with such an incredible financial commitment to our school. Thanks to two \$50,000 anonymous donations over the past couple of weeks we are now at \$300,000!!! There are multiple ways to donate so please feel free to visit the link below, scan the QR code on the sign, go to our website under "Giving", or send funds directly to the school.

Thank you for your support!

[Patriot Fund Giving Link](#)



## A Note from Elementary



Greetings from Elementary. May your second week of February be blessed. We hope you all enjoy spirit week this week!

### Lost and Found

Please check out our lost and found table. We have an array of items from water bottles, a lunch box and a fork to clothing, notebooks and even a rug. If any of these items belong to you, please feel free to grab them. **We will be packing things up to donate by the end of the week, on February 13, 2026, so please be sure to take anything that is yours before then.**

Also, it would be very helpful if you could write your child's name on anything that belongs to them, so if it does end up in the lost and found, we know who to give it to.

A gray Ford key (actual key, not a key fob) was found in the elementary student parking lot. Please see Elementary Secretary, Jeanne Orcutt, if this key belongs to you.

### Absent/Late/Early Dismissal

If your child will be absent, late or dismissed early, please fill out our Student Absence Form. This is found at [bangorchristian.com](https://bangorchristian.com), Current Families, Absence Form. This is the best form of communication!

<https://bangorchristian.wufoo.com/forms/zyuxtjfOykmOmc/>

If your child is sick, we would ask that you keep them home, so they are able to recoup, and others are not exposed.

### Winter Recess Reminders



This is a friendly reminder that students should be bringing the following gear for our chilly winter days, and the following practices should be taken:

- Hat
- Waterproof Mittens or Gloves
- Coat
- Snow Pants
- Boots
- Scarf/Face Mask

- 1) Wear regular shoes or sneakers and bring winter boots.
- 2) If your child is in K4, each student needs a large bag with his/her name on it (not just on the backpack) for his/her winter gear.
- 3) If your child is in K4 or K5, send two pairs of waterproof mittens, so they have a dry pair if they go outside more than once.
- 4) Packing a scarf or face mask is very important on days when it feels chilly on the face.
- 5) If your child is in K4 or K5, please practice zipping jackets and putting on snow gear at home.
- 6) Bring home winter gear every day to dry it overnight.
- 7) Bring winter gear to school every day, even if there is no snow on the ground.

Thank you for your attention to these matters!