

BOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FROM THE PRINCIPAL *Dr. Deborah Gibbens*

We are happy to report that we've had a very strong start to the school year. We are continuing our efforts to target the specific needs of individual students and to enhance our instruction in our pursuit for high standards for ALL students.

At BES we are committed to the continuous progress of all students. To achieve this goal, staff has been involved in ongoing professional development training in order to continue to meet each child's needs. This month teachers have been working with the REACH coordinator to differentiate their instruction in mathematics. Teams have worked to provide enrichment opportunities for students who are excelling with the curriculum. Our reading specialists, Holly Kimball-Rhines and Melissa Young, have worked with teams to enhance their diagnostic skills in reading. Teachers were trained in the administration of DIBELS, The Dynamic Indicator of Basic Early Literacy Skills. The DIBELS are brief but powerful measures of critical skills that underlie early reading success. The reading specialists also continue to work with teams in order to target instruction based on individual student needs. To do this, assessment needs to be on-going and integral to instruction. As we continuously review our students' needs, we will continue providing the professional learning opportunities to enhance our programs and our practice.

Parent conferences are right around the corner and we look forward to our first opportunity to share student progress. Results from the NWEA assessments will be shared along with classroom performance. It is a pleasure partnering with our families at Bow Elementary.

UPCOMING DATES:

NOV. 5 PTO MEETING
NOV. 7TH & 10TH PARENT/
TEACHER CONFERENCES
NOV. 11TH VETERANS DAY

CONGRATULATIONS BOW VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Bow PTO and Bow Elementary was awarded the Blue Ribbon Volunteer Award Program for the 27th Year!

Thank you to Deb Alfano for Coordinating Bow Elementary's Parent Volunteers for the Past 8 Years!

Bow Elementary School Program received a citation from Governor Lynch commending the program on behalf of the citizens of New Hampshire.