

## A new day is an opportunity to make a new connection!

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"Perseverance is failing 19 times and succeeding the 20th." - Julie Andrews
Quote found on a classroom display at Hebron Elementary

From Edutopia: The Role of Emotion

Co-Regulation in Discipline by Lori Desautels

## **Entry Plan Highlights**

This week was dominated by operations and budget. Not fun things but very necessary. We



received the water analysis report for Gilead Hill and the lead and copper levels at all drinking water locations were "non-detect." This was wonderful news. If you have not had the chance to review the report regarding the Gilead Hill water testing, I urge you to read it. You can find it on our district website. The Board of Education adopted their proposed FY '21 budget on Thursday. The overall budget stands at \$11,561,416. This represents an increase of 1.95%. In the coming weeks I will be working closely with our union and school leaders as we begin the staff transfer and hiring process. I will be communicating more with you as this unfolds. This week I also had the opportunity to welcome Representative Robin Green to Gilead Hill School. I wanted to establish a strong working relationship with Rep. Green and showcase some of our state grant funded resources in action. We paid a visit to the Sensory Room and our School Readiness PreK Class. It was a very nice visit. My overall highlight of the week was the weather project presentations that grade 4 students completed. The gallery of projects was wonderful. It showcased creativity and research skills! #STEAM

## **Professional Development Corner!**



In a previous issue I recommended the TED Talk Radio Hour Podcast. In fact, I was just talking with one of you about that very episode on Friday. I do love podcasts and this week I'm recommending a shorter show, TED Talks Daily. This podcast features shorter episodes perfect for when you need a little distraction. Recently, I listened to the episode Why Winning Doesn't Always Equal Success with retired UCLA Women's Gymnastics Coach Valorie Field. It was insightful. Happy listening!

Do you have a resource, quote, or article to share? District committees can also communicate news via this newsletter. Just email me at tbaird@hebron.k12.ct.us. Have a great week!