

Welcome 2022!





### What We Learned in January...

The BORO Program, uses a curriculum called the Unique Learning System. Part of this curriculum includes community-based experiences that support a successful transition into the world of work and more independent living.

As we assist our young adults in the transition from school to work, it is necessary that they receive training in keeping their homes maintained and safe. This month's unit, "Safety Matters", addressed the topics of home safety, maintenance, and upkeep, with a special emphasis on safety while using handheld tools and appliances.

Unique Learning's regularly provided monthly lessons offer the opportunity to practice important safety skills in various daily life situations. This month, regular banking and budgeting lessons addressed home maintenance costs and budgeting for safety needs, cooking lessons offered five recipes where our students could practice many of the safety rules they learned in this unit, and social and communication skills lessons presented daily opportunities for students to think about different safety rules and procedures.

Employment is also a regular focus of Unique Learning each month, and lessons include exploring different jobs, reading job ads, completing job applications and practicing interview skills. Simple, realistic scenarios address job skills and interactions at work. This month, the final lesson highlighted volunteering as a way to practice job skills and gain practical work experience.





New Year Happenings











BORO Students joined friends from Westborough High for an afternoon of bowling at Sawyer's Bowling in Northborough.







Christopher and Mr. McCarthy tackled another project at the BORO... this time installing a second set of coast hooks in the entryway. Way to apply those Unique Learning lessons, Christopher!





















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# January Awareness...



**National Braille Association** 

MA Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**International Day of Acceptance** 

## BORO Families...

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

2/4/22 2/21/22 - 2/25/22 Early Release Day **February Break** 

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