

BE IT SO RESOLVED
"one whose doubts are resolved" [SECO]

When we ring in the New Year, we typically do so with fanfare and a look toward the future, in an effort to put our best foot forward.

And in doing so, we also take a look backward to assess our shortcomings and areas where we think we might improve.

It is human nature to anticipate, as well as to critique.

We see a microcosm of this in the Sherlock Holmes stories: Sherlock Holmes was certainly one who offered his fair share of

critiques —of Scotland Yard, of the establishment, of Watson, and even of himself ("kindly whisper 'Norbury' in my ear").

But we can also find instances of anticipation in the Canon —Holmes grinning with glee as he surprised Watson or the occasional police detective with his clever disguises, and even Holmes looking forward to a visit with his old friend Watson.

Naturally, at Baker Street Elementary we find an earlier incarnation of critiques and anticipation...

Some Ponderings on New Years

MY MOTHER TOLD MY FATHER, 'THIS YEAR, INSTEAD OF MAKING MYSELF BETTER, IT MIGHT BE EASIER JUST TO GET A NEW ONE OF YOU.'



***I AM CHANGING MY STRATEGY...
SIMPLY WING IT THIS YEAR
AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS...***



**REMEMBER, ON NEW YEARS EVE,
YOU STILL HAVE 24 HOURS TO DO
ALL THOSE THINGS YOU RESOLVE
NOT TO DO NEXT YEAR...**



**I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S BEEN A WHOLE YEAR
SINCE I DIDN'T BECOME A BETTER PERSON...**

**... AND MY WISH FOR NEXT YEAR
IS THAT MY TROUBLES LAST AS
LONG AS MY RESOLUTIONS**

