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From the Principal...

Dear MESMS Community,

Welcome to the close of another school week and the beginning of a very nice week of weather. As we move through May and enter June, our calendar is beginning to fill up with various activities. I will update the list every week or so, making sure you have ample time to ask any questions. Here goes:

- We are into the last round of MCAS, this time it's mathematics. May 10 and 11(7th grade), 12 and 13 (6th), 17 and 18 (8th), and 19 and 20 (5th).
- June 2. 8th grade trip to Six Flags.
- June 7. 9th Grade Parent/Caregiver Night at SHHS for current 8th-grade families. The time is TBD.
- June 8. All Library Books Due and 8th Grade Step-Up Day at SHHS.
- June 9. 6th grade trip to Mystic, CT. 5th Grade Crossover Night at MESMS for current 4th-grade families. The time is TBD.
- June 10. 7th Grade Field Trip to Tower Theaters. 8th Grade dance.
- June 15. 8th Grade Step Up Ceremony 9:15 am.
- June 17th. LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (½ day) as long as there are no more snow days!

You will notice the date for the 8th-grade step up has been brought forward to the Wednesday of the final week. When I chose June 16, I did not consult with my colleagues at Mosier who are also planning a ceremony on this day. This week, we discussed changing the times of each ceremony which would allow for common families to attend both. Changing times was relatively straightforward but the issue of cars parking on Mosier St. was not. Mosier School has a tradition of celebrating their 4th graders on the last full day of school, thus our change of date. I apologize for any inconvenience I may have caused.

Best wishes, David F Gallagher, MESMS Principal

Tiger Tales

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For current information on registered level 3 sex offenders in your area, please visit the Executive Office of Public Safety website at http://sord.chas.state.ma us or contact your local police department.

Non-Discrimination Statement

All students, regardless of race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or homelessness, "pregnancy or pregnancy-related conditions" have equal access to the general education program and the full range of any occupational and vocational education programs offered by the South Hadley Public Schools.

Declaración de No discriminación

Todos los estudiantes, independientemente de su raza, color, sexo, identidad de género, religión, origen nacional, orientación sexual, discapacidad o falta de vivienda, tienen acceso equitativo al programa de educación general y a toda la gama de programas de educación ocupacional y profesional ofrecidos por Escuelas Públicas de South Hadley.

Happy May from the Nurse's Office

May is National Allergy and Asthma Awareness Month

As anyone with asthma or allergies is aware, now is peak season for those who suffer from these maladies. This makes it a perfect time to review the causes of asthma and allergies and the best ways to prevent and/or treat attacks. You will want to be sure your child's teachers, coaches and school nurse are aware of your child's health conditions so they can provide the appropriate help when needed.

For those who suffer from allergies, the familiar symptoms include coughing, sneezing, itchy eyes, runny nose, and scratchy throat. Common allergens and irritants found in and around the home are pollen, dust mites, mold, insect droppings, pet dander, and secondhand smoke. Exposure to these allergens can even bring about a serious asthma attack.

During an Asthma attack, airways become narrowed and breathing can become extremely difficult. Asthma triggers include: respiratory infections, pollen (trees, grasses, and weeds), air pollution, food allergies, cleaning products, perfumes, exercise, and cold air exposure. Common asthma symptoms include wheezing, shortness of breath, chest tightness, and coughing. Asthma cannot be cured but it can be controlled.

Clear your home of allergy/asthma triggers – choose not to smoke- keep bed linens clean –keep pets out of the bedrooms –clean up the mold and get rid of excess moisture – fix leaky plumbing –limit use of pesticide sprays.

Dust and vacuum regularly, and use air conditioning when possible, especially on high pollen count days.

6th Grade parents, please note the following:

Sixth grade parents need to get their child's updated physical and shot record to my office ASAP as state law requires updated shots to be on file with me before the first day of 7th grade. This year I am hoping to get them by the week of August 1st. Even if you have an appointment scheduled for a physical in the fall STATE LAW REQUIRES IMMUNIZATIONS BE UPDATED BEFORE 7TH GRADE STARTS, SO MAKE A NURSING APPOINTMENT AT YOUR DOCTOR'S OFFICE. PLEASE CALL NOW BECAUSE IF YOU WAIT, YOU WILL HAVE TROUBLE GETTING THEM IN BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS.

THANK YOU!!

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Elizabeth C. Winfield, RN, MS, BSN, NCSN



5th GRADE TIDINGS

Science: As MCAS review wraps up, students will be investigating the world of engineering and the design process. There will be three or four different projects that students will work on that involve designing and building. This will help them understand that good engineering is done by designing, testing, and redesigning. Mixing creativity with physics, these fun projects will allow students to work in groups and use the scientific method to design and build.

Math: In Math, we are finishing metric and customary unit conversions and beginning our investigation of geometry. This is a good time to share labels on food items as they often show both the customary units as well as metric units. As we explore geometry your student will look to the world around us for examples of how we live with geometry everyday. Looking at area, perimeter and volume of everyday items is a great way to encourage mastery of the concepts.

Language Arts: Students will end the year wrapping up their current historical fiction novels and reading biographies that reflect the time periods they have been learning about in both ELA and Social Studies. Classes will also focus on word work - both parts of speech that will help make their writing more interesting, as well as prefixes, suffixes and roots!

Social Studies: Students will continue to study the impact of slavery, the legacy of the Civil War, and the struggle for civil rights for all. Both teams will explore the ideas and events of the 19th century that led to the expansion of civil rights in the 20th and 21st centuries.

6th GRADE HIGHLIGHTS

In ELA, students will be wrapping up with our unit on figurative language and demonstrating their ability to identify these within poetry, music, and other types of writing pieces. As we reach the conclusion of the school year, students will jump aboard the RMS Titanic as we read narrative nonfiction and explore the various perspectives of the survivors. As always,

students are encouraged to read on a nightly basis and complete their weekly blog assignment in Google Classroom. Happy reading!

In math, students are starting the Integers unit. Students will compare, order and graph positive and negative numbers. Students will write real-world situations that can be represented by positive or negative integers and will learn how to find the absolute value of a number. Upon completion of the integers unit, students will begin writing and solving equations.

7th GRADE HAPPENINGS

Social Studies: In Social Studies, students have been studying the rise of Rome and debating its mythic origins. Additionally, they will analyze the shift from Roman Republic to Roman Empire and the factors that eventually led to its demise. We will continue to examine the concept of legacy by discussing ancient Rome's contributions to government, architecture, and city-planning.

Math 7: Students have just finished their unit on Constructions and Scale Drawings. In this unit, students learned to identify and draw angles, triangles and quadrilaterals. Students also learned how to find scale factors and how to use proportions to find missing measurements. Currently, students are investigating how to find the circumference and area of circles as well as the perimeter and area of composite

Accelerated math 7 Students are wrapping up surface area and volume. In this chapter, students calculated the surface area and volume of prisms, pyramids and cylinders. Students will be moving into probability and statistics where they will identify the outcomes of experiences and find

probabilities of events.

figures.

ELA Students have started exploring why we study myths through the reading of Greek Mythology. We will be focusing on the twelve main gods and goddesses, learn about how they interacted with each other, and discover "why things came to be." In addition to this, students will share their knowledge of myths through a final project based on their own understanding of what we have learned.

Science -Now that spring is here, we are all looking forward to the crocus and daffodils making an appearance. With thoughts of spring, our science classes have finished their study of embryology, heredity, and genetics and are beginning their ecology unit. During the Ecology unit, students will study how organisms interact with each other and their environment.

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8th GRADE NEWS

In <u>History</u>, we will be moving onto the rights and responsibilities that come with U.S. citizenship, as well as being an involved and active member of a community. Part of how we will do this, is by completing a student-led Action Civics project, that focuses on improvement projects in school or locally.

This month, <u>English/Language Arts</u> students will be working on our 8th Grade Anne Frank Unit from our Collections Anthology. This unit focuses on the impact of World War II and the lives they lived, the individuals who were in hiding, and Anne's diary that survived. We will continue to focus on grammar, punctuation, and vocabulary as we head into June and think about becoming 9th graders.

In <u>Math 8</u>, students are continuing work on different methods to graph linear equations including using slopes and plotting intercepts. <u>Algebra</u> students are exploring the mathematics behind bank accounts and loans, and are beginning to learn about polynomials and quadratics.

In <u>Science 8</u> we are well into our MCAS review featuring the following content areas (Earth and Space Science, Biology and Environmental Science). After MCAS we will be focusing on Biology, creating the BIG BOOK of BIOLOGY, then we will be focusing on modeling the physics of roller coasters as we prepare for our field trip to SixFlags!

<u>Accelerated Science</u> in addition to the content above we would like to **congratulate** our Invention Convention WINNERS!!

- 1st place for Middle School Kaylee Renski and Mary Lambert for their reversible flag, Mary and Kaylee earned an invitation to Nationals in Michigan.
- Meredith Craven (Rip Repair), Nicholas Jimenez Herrera (Telecleaner), and Lily Orsman (No more smudge) all earned distinguished awards for their inventions as well! Congratulations!



SOUTH HADLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

FRIDAY	ASSORTED SANDWICHES CLAM CHOWDER 3-BEAN SALAD GOLDFISH CRACKERS FRESH VEGGIE STICKS OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIES	BNLS B.B.Q. CHICKEN SANDWICH OVEN BAKED FRIES BABY CARROTS OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIES SLICED PEARS	ASSORTED SANDWICHES CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP CHIC-PEA SALAD GOLDFISH CRACKERS CORN SALAD OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIES	BNLS CHICKEN CORDON BLEU SANDWICH SEASONED OVEN FRIES BABY CARROTS OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIES	BREAKFAST REMINDER! NOW SERVING BREAKFAST. DAILY 7:32AM TO 7:45AM
THURSDAY	CHICKEN ALA KING MASHED POTATOES CARROTS BREAD & BUTTER DICED PEARS	DIRTY RICE (SEASONED GROUND BEEF MIXED W/ RICE) GREEN NEANS BREAD & BUTTER APPLE SAUCE	ROTINI W/ MEAT SAUCE GREEN BEANS BREAD & BUTTER SLICED PEACHES	HOMEMADE BAKED MACARONI & CHEESE STEAMED PEAS BREAD & BUTTER PEACHES MINI RICE KRISPIE TREAT	
WEDNESDAY	GRILLED HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH TOMATO SOUP BROCCOLI W/ DIP GOLDFISH CRACKERS JELL-O W/ TOPPING	TURKEY & CHEESE BAGEL MELTS POTATO PUFFS FRESH BROCCOLI W/ DIP MIXED FRUIT JELL-O W/ TOPPING	COLD CUT GRINDERS LETTUCE, TOMATO, & CHEESE MINI PRETZELS FRESH BROCCOLI W/ DIP MIXED FRUIT	MOZZARELLA STICKS MARINARA SAUCE STEAMED RICE HERBED GREEN BEANS APPLE SAUCE	ATTENTION! THE FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL 538-5074 EXT. 4724.
TUESDAY	TACO TUESDAY LETTUCE, TOMATO, CHEESE, SALSA & SOUR CREAM MEXICAN CORN RICE PILAF MIXED FRUIT	CHICKEN FAJITAS PEPPERS & ONIONS SALSA & LIGHT SOUR CREAM RICE PILAF STEAMED CORN DICE PEACHES	FRENCH TOAST W/ SYRUP BAKED SAUSAGE POTATO PUFFS ORANGE WEDGES ASSORTED CHILLED JUICE	OVEN BAKED B.B.Q. CHICKEN ROASTED POTATOES STEAMED CARROTS DINNER ROLL PUDDING W/ TOPPING	GILARDI'S "WHOLE GRAIN" STUFF CRUST PIZZA TOSSED SALAD CHILLED FRUIT
MONDAY	CHICKEN PATTIE SANDWICH LETTUCE & TOMATO GARLIC FRIES STEAMED VEGGIES SLICED PEACHES	GILARDI'S "WHOLE GRAIN" STUFF CRUST PIZZA TOSSED SALAD CHILLED FRUIT	CHEESE BURGERS GARLIC DUSTED POTATO WEDGES BAKED BEANS BABY CARROTS CHILLED FRUIT	GILARDI'S "WHOLE GRAIN" STUFF CRUST PIZZA CAESAR SALAD W/ CROUTONS CHILLED FRUIT	30 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH ARE FREE TO ALL STUDENT THROUGH JUNE 2022. LUNCH MEALS INCLUDE MILK & ASSORTED WHOLE FRUIT. ADDITIONAL MILK IS 50 CENTS. LARGE SALADS, YOGURT, AND ASSORTED SANDWICHES ARE AVAILABLE DAILY AS A TYPE "A" MEAL ALTERNATIVE. THE MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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SOUTH HADLEY RECREATION DEPARTMENT



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PRE-SCHOOL FUTSAL SOCCER PROGRAM

This is our introduction to soccer program run by Futsal and Street Soccer designed for Pre-K kids. The program is a platform for high speed, high volume ball touches and maneuvering in tight spaces. Players are not broken into teams, and no games are played in this program.

Players are required to have their own soccer ball (size 3) & wear athletic clothing & deats (must be rubber) or sneakers. Shin guards are optional.

Session 2

Date: Wednesdays, May 25th - June 22nd **Time:** DOB 9/1/2018-8/31/2019: 4:30-5:10pm DOB 9/1/2016-8/31/2018: 5:30-6:10pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Cost: \$50 per player

and/or

Date: Sundays, May 22nd - June 26th No program on 5/29

Time: DOB 9/1/2018-8/31/2019: 11:00- 11:40am

DOB 9/1/2016-8/31/2018: 12:00-12:50pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Cost: \$50 per player

SUMMER PROGRAMS

We are excited to be back with a full schedule of summer programs! We have some of our most popular programs back this year and some brand new ones! Be sure check them out on our website www.southhadleyrecreation.org.

Registrations are currently open and will close a week before the program begins or when all spots have been filled. Please note that some of our programs have limited spots, we recommend registering early to ensure your enrollment.

FALL SPORT REGISTRATIONS

Fall Sport Registrations are now open!

Registration Deadlines:

Grade 3-8 Roots Soccer - June 20th

Grade 3-6 Recreation Soccer - June 20th

Grade K-2 Soccer - August 8th

Grade 3-8 Tackle Football - June 20th

K-2 Flag Football - August 8th

Grade 3-8 Cheerleading - June 6th

Grade 4-8 Field Hockey - August 8th

Registration at www.southhadleyrecreation.org



THANK YOU PEOPLESBANK FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE SOUTH HADLEY FIREWORKS!

PICKLEBALL COURTS

Pickleball courts are coming soon to South Hadley! Buttery Brook Park will be the location of the courts and we are aiming to have them ready for game play before the end of the summer. Thanks to resident, Kim Prough, who has led the fundraising efforts to make the dream of pickleball courts in South Hadley become a reality. If you are interested in donating towards to the courts or becoming a sponsor email the recreation department at recreation@southhadleyma.gov.



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

Want to make sure you don't miss out on any programs or events? Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on all the latest happenings!

@southhadleyrecreation

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

We have a great line up set for this summer for our concerts at the Town Common! Concerts are held on Thursday evenings from 630-8pm.

June 23rd - South Hadley Community Band

June 30th - Bad News Jazz
Bad News Blues & Jazz Orchestra

July 7th - Cottonwood

Country Music with a Kick!

July 14th - Jimmy Mazz

July 21st - Union Jack British Invasion Band

July 28th - Night Moves
4 Decades of Great! R&R

August 4th - The Willie's

The best of the 50's, 60's & 70's R&R

August 11th - Lindsey Labelle Modern Country

August 18th - Old Country Road

Classic Americanal Folk Country

August 25th - The Phenix Band Danceable R&R

September 1st - The Capabilities Berkshire Hills Academy Performance Troup

FIREWORKS CELEBRATION

Our fireworks celebration is set for Saturday, July 2nd at the Michael E. Smith Middle School. Our major sponsor for the event is PeoplesBank who has supported this event year after year. We cannot thank them enough for thir continued support.

BIKE WALK EVENT

The Bike-Walk Committee is happy to offer a Bike Clinic and Rodeo on Sunday, May 15 from 1-3pm at Buttery Brook Park. This event is for all ages, and will feature a bike Rodeo for kids, information about bikes and bike safety from the South Hadley Police and Competitive Edge and many other fun things to do. More information will be available on our website around May 1.





413 ATC SOCCER

Advance Summer Soccer Clinic

Who: Entering Grades 3-8 Dates: August 8th - August 12th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Michael E. Smith Middle School

Fee: \$110

ART-VENTURES

ART-ventures with Pigasso and

Mootisse

Who: Entering Grades K-5 Dates: July 11th - July 15th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Pavilion

Fee: \$170

*Limited to 20 participants

Bouncy Bendy Art in Motion

Who: Entering Grades K-5 Dates: August 8th - August 12th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Pavilion

Fee: \$170

*Limited to 20 participants

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SCHOOL

with 413 ATC

Who: Entering Grades 1-8 Dates: June 27th - July 1st

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Beachgrounds Park

Fee: \$110

BASKETBALL SCHOOL

with Skyhawks

Who: Entering Grades 1-6 Dates: July 25th - July 29th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: South Hadley High School Gym

Fee: \$149

*Limited to 20 participants

FUTSAL STREET SOCCER

Who: Entering Grades K-8 Dates: July 18th - July 22nd

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Michael E. Smith Middle School 2-3.5 years.

Fee: \$160

PRESCHOOL FUTSAL STREET SOCCER

Session 1

Dates: June 29, July 6, 13 & 20

Time:

4:30-5:10pm: DOB 9/1/2019-8/31/2020 5:30-6:10pm: DOB 9/1/2018-8/31/2019 6:20-7:00pm: DOB 9/1/2017-8/31/2018

Where: Buttery Brook Park

Fee: \$50

Session 2

Dates: August 3, 10, 17 & 24

4:30-5:10pm: DOB 9/1/2019-8/31/2020 5:30-6:10pm: DOB 9/1/2018-8/31/2019 6:20-7:00pm: DOB 9/1/2017-8/31/2018

Where: Buttery Brook Park

Fee: \$50

MAD SCIENCE

Space & Beyond

Who: Entering Grades 1-6 Dates: July 18th - July 22nd

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Pavilion

Fee: \$169

*Limited to 20 participants

NFL FLAG FOOTBALL

Summer League

Who: Entering Grades K-8 Dates: June - July 31st

Time: TBD - will be determined by coach

Fee: \$70

MULTI-SPORT TOTS

with Skyhawks

Dates: June 21st - June 24th

Time:

9-9:45am - DOB 9/1/2019-8/31/2020 10-10:45am - DOB 9/1/2018-8/31/2019 11-11:45am - DOB 9/1/2017-8/31/2018

Where: Buttery Brook Park

Fee: \$85

*Limited to 8 participants per timeslot Parent participation is required for ages

SPORTS & GAMES!

with Skyhawks

Who: Entering Grades 1-6 Dates: August 1st - August 5th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park

Fee: \$149

*Limited to 20 participants

VOLLEBALL SCHOOL

with Skyhawks

Who: Entering Grades 5-8 Dates: July 18th - July 22nd

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: South Hadley High School Gym

Fee: \$149

*Limited to 16 participants

VALLEY BLUE SOX

Baseball Clinic

Who: Entering Grades 1-8 Dates: July 25th - July 28th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Beachgrounds Park

Fee: \$120

WICKED COOL FOR

Dig Big!

Who: Entering Grades K-5 Dates: August 1st - August 5th

Time: 9am-12pm

Where: Buttery Brook Park Pavilion

Fee: \$260

*Limited to 30 participants

YOUTH GRO COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAM

Who: Entering Grades 3-9

Dates: June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29,

August 5 & 12 Time: Part I: 3-4pm

Part II: 4-5pm Where: GRO Community Garden Fee: \$45 per child/per session *Limited to 10 participants You can take both Part I & Part II

simultaneously

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