

# HOLLIS BROOKLINE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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HBMS Parent/Guardian Newsletter – January 15, 2023

RE: HBMS Newsletter 1/15/23

Hello HBMS Families,

We hope you are enjoying the long weekend. **This is just a friendly reminder that there is no school tomorrow (1/16/23).**

Please see below for information about upcoming activities and events at HBMS.

\*This week is a Knight Week

## **End of Quarter 2/1<sup>st</sup> Semester – 1/24**

We have moved the end of Quarter 2 to January 24th (originally January 23rd) due to the change in return date from the Holiday Vacation. Students will rotate to their quarter 3 skills and specials classes on January 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade SeaPerch Build**

All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be starting the STEM Underwater Rover project put on by UNH and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on February 8<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for a few SAU approved volunteers to help with the Sea Perch Project on February 8<sup>th</sup> and the morning of February 9<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, please contact Jake Richard at [jake.richard@sau41.org](mailto:jake.richard@sau41.org).

## **Yearbook News**

It is time to order the 2022/2023 HBMS Yearbook. Please see the attached forms for details for ordering and adding custom pages. The deadline for ordering is April 20th. When ordering, please write your child's ROCK teacher's name for the homeroom.

**For 8th grade only:** Baby pictures can now be uploaded directly to TreeRing. Here are the [directions](#) to do so. The deadline for adding the baby pictures is also April 20th.

## **Student Council School Store**

The Student Council is excited to announce that we will be starting up an HBMS School Store in early February. The store will be located in the Guidance office and we will have team t-shirts, HB hats and bags to start with as well as samples of HB sweatshirts and flannel pants for students to order. Although we will have limited availability of items to start with, we are looking forward to increasing our stock and having additional items the students will enjoy! Thank you to Local Pro Sports for helping with these items. Please see one of the attachments for pictures of items that will be sold at the school store.

## **Wednesday Morning Open Gym**

Mr. Simo and Mrs. Hoffman's Wednesday Morning Open Gym time is back up and running this week. This will continue for the remainder of the school year for any students interested in coming into the gym to wake up with a little movement. Please email Mr. Simo or Mrs. Hoffman if you have any questions.

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### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip – Food and Water Donations**

With our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip fast approaching, we are now accepting water and snack donations. Please see one of the attachments for the types of snacks we accept. **Also, just a friendly reminder to 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents/guardians that all payments are due February 7<sup>th</sup>.** Payments are made through the Educational Discovery Tour website. There will be another parent meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the HBMS Gymnasium.

### **Athletics**

Here is the link to the HB Athletics Website with upcoming events:  
<https://sites.google.com/sau41.org/hb-athletics/home>

### **New England Youth Cycling Flyer**

Please see one of the attachments for information about the New England Youth Cycling Flyer.

### **District Flyer Website**

Here is a link to the district's [Flyer Website](#) where you can find more information about other events occurring in Hollis and Brookline.

### **Important Dates:**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School) – January 16<sup>th</sup>  
End of Quarter 2/Semester 1 – January 24<sup>th</sup>  
Early Release at 11:55am – January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Spirit Week – February 20<sup>th</sup> – February 24<sup>th</sup>  
February Vacation – February 27<sup>th</sup> – March 3<sup>rd</sup>

If you have questions regarding any of the information provided, please reach out to Principal Patrick West ([patrick.west@sau41.org](mailto:patrick.west@sau41.org)), Assistant Principal Allison Buschmann ([allison.buschmann@sau41.org](mailto:allison.buschmann@sau41.org)) or Special Ed Administrator Kathryn Ransom ([kathryn.ransom@sau41.org](mailto:kathryn.ransom@sau41.org)). You may also reach out via phone at (603) 324-5997.

Thank you,

HBMS Administration