

Har-Bur Happenings

March 16, 2018

Parents and Guardians,

We just can't seem to catch a break with the weather! March has seen a lot of snow and fewer days of school than we would like, but we will regroup and move forward.

As you read this newsletter, all of our teachers are participating in a long planned "choose your own" PD day. This is a great opportunity for teachers from around the district to learn from each other. There are close to 50 different sessions being offered today with almost all of them organized and presented by Region 10 staff.

I hope the students enjoy the long weekend and come back Monday ready for a bit more consistency with our schedule (we hope).

Chris Rau

Campus Principal

Valuable Information and Reminders:

- **Yearbook:** The time to purchase a yearbook is quickly winding down! Sales will end this Monday, March 19. Yearbooks cost \$20. Payment can be made with cash or a check made payable to Har-Bur Middle School. Everything should be handed in to homeroom teachers.
- **Talent Show:** Talent Show time has finally arrived! The big event takes place on March 28th, at 7 pm in the LSM auditorium. Come check out all of the amazing talent at Har-Bur!
- **Medical Updates:** Physicals are required for 7th grade students' entry, and are state-mandated. Physicals must be dated after June 1, 2017 to be considered current for grade 7, and must include proof of two doses of the Varicella vaccine, dose of TDap, and dose of meningococcal vaccine. Parents may send in their student's completed physicals and immunization records to Mrs. Mauro (5/6 grade nurse) until the last day of school. After that date, physicals will need to go to Mrs. Niedmann, RN (7/8 grade nurse). Please email or call Mrs. Mauro, RN with any questions. (mauror@region10ct.org or 673-6161, ext. 17310).

Postural screenings for 5th grade females, and 8th grade males, are mandated by the state of Connecticut. Screenings will begin after mid-April. If you wish to excuse your child from the screenings, please send a note or an email to Mrs. Mauro, RN (mauror@region10ct.org) for the girls, and to Mrs. Niedmann, RN for the boys (niedmanne@region10ct.org).

- **2019 8th Grade Trips!:** On April 12, 2018 we will hold an informational meeting for parents and 7th grade students who are interested in traveling to Quebec or Washington DC in 2019. This meeting will take from 5:45-6:45 p.m. in the HBMS cafeteria. Initial information for these two trips will be made available including how to sign up and when. We are having these meetings very early (a year in advance) to give families time to save for the trip(s) of their choice. French students will be given priority for signing up for the Montreal/Quebec trip. In September, this trip will be opened up on a first come first served basis. You can contact Mr. Bogen at bogenp@region10ct.org if you need more information.

- Golf Club:** We will again offer a Golf Club this spring. The club will start April 24 and run for 4 weeks - through May 17th. It will run on Tuesdays from 330- 500 at Fairview Farms and from 3 - 430 on Thursdays at Burlington Golf Academy. Golfers from beginner to expert and from grades 5-8 are welcome. The deadline to sign up is April 6. If there are more applicants than spots, we will give priority to students who have already been in the club. Please get a permission slip and 2 district forms in the Dean of Students' office to sign up. (forms are also attached to this newsletter) Students must participate both days and cannot be missing a school sport. [golf club permission form spring 3-12-18.pdf](#) [Golf Student Cardiac Consent Form 2017-18.pdf](#) [Concussion Parent-Student Consent Form 2017-18 \(003\).pdf](#)
- Grade 5 - Kids Marathon/Running:** This activity for 5th graders will meet every Wednesday from 2:50-3:45 in Miss Padolko's Room. Students should have sneakers, appropriate running attire and water. The group will meet on 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/25, 5/9, 5/23, and 5/30. There will be a final celebration on 6/3 in Torrington. More details to come. Please read the attached flyer for more information. [Kids Marathon Event Flyer 2018.pdf](#)
- Washington D.C.:** Working with EF Tours, we have been able to secure a second bus to Washington DC! There is still room for 8th graders to sign up. Students can continue to register for this trip by calling EF Tours or going to the website directly. The phone # is 888-333-9756. The trip to Washington DC will be May 23-26, 2018. The tour number is #1974357EV. Contact Mr. Bogen for more information.
- Babysitting Class:** A training class is coming up on April 22nd for all students who are interested. Please find all of the details in the attached flyer. [babysitters training flyer HAA 0418.pdf](#)

Schedule for the Next Few Weeks

Our school has a six-day rotating schedule. If we miss a day of school for weather, we also skip that day in the rotation. Below is our coming day rotation.

March	19	20	21	22	23
Rotation Day	2	3	4	5	6
March	26	27	28	29	30
Rotation Day	1	2	3	4	No School

Important dates to remember

March 23rd & 24th - Middle School Regional Festival

March 26th - Board of Education District Budget Hearing - 7:00 p.m. - TLC

March 28th - Talent Show - 7:00 p.m. - LSM Auditorium

March 30th - Good Friday - No School

April 5th - Parent Transition Night Grades 5th to 6th AND 6th to 7th - 6:30 p.m.

April 9th - Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - TLC

April 10th - 3rd Quarter Ends (Change due to snow days)

April 12th - 7th Grade Planning meeting for 8th grade DC/Quebec/Montreal 5:45 Cafe

April 15th - 20th - Bermuda Field Trip

April 16th - 20th - Spring Recess - No School

April 23rd - 3rd Quarter Report Cards go home (change because of snow days)

April 25th - Mandatory meeting for Washington DC trip 5:30-6:30 Cafeteria

April 25th - PTA Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - TLC

April 26th - Parent Transition Night Grade 4th to 5th - 7:00 p.m.

April 27th - Grade 6 Social - 3:00 - 4:45 p.m. and Grades 7 & 8 Dance - 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Contact Information - Have questions for us? Here are some quick contacts. Information for all teachers and staff is available on the Region 10 website: region10ct.org.

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