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HBMS Parent/Guardian Newsletter – January 22, 2023

RE: HBMS Newsletter 1/22/23

Hello HBMS Families,

We hope everyone has had a safe weekend. Please continue to be safe with more weather arriving Sunday evening (1/22). **This is just a friendly reminder that there is an early release on January 30th at 11:55am.**

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

*This week is a Blue Week

End of Quarter 2/1st Semester – 1/27

We have moved the end of Quarter 2 to Friday, January 27th (originally January 23rd) due to the change in return date from the Holiday Vacation and with the snow day. Students will rotate to their quarter 3 skills and specials classes on Monday, January 30th.

8th Grade Course Registration Parent Information Night

Hollis Brookline High School will be hosting an 8th Grade Parent Information Night on Thursday, February 9th from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. The evening will consist of a welcoming address from Administration and the School Counseling Department followed by sessions hosted by each individual academic department.

Please be on the lookout for a detailed schedule for this evening presentation which will be sent out prior to the meeting on Feb 9th.

Additionally, HBHS School Counselors will be visiting 8th-grade students on February 6th and 7th during their specials (Computer and Tech Ed) classes to present Course Registration Information for freshman year.

If you have any questions please contact Assistant Principals, Aisha Weaver and/or Amanda Zeller at aisha.weaver@sau41.org and amanda.zeller@sau41.org.

8th Grade SeaPerch Build

All 8th grade students will be starting the STEM Underwater Rover project put on by UNH and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on February 8th. We are looking for a few SAU approved volunteers to help with the Sea Perch Project on February 8th and the morning of February 9th. If you are interested, please contact Jake Richard at 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.

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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.

HB Crew Team – Coaches Needed

The Hollis Brookline Crew team is currently seeking both a head coach and an assistant coach for the upcoming Spring season and beyond. If you have experience rowing and would like the opportunity to work with an amazing group of middle and high school students, we would love to hear from you. We offer competitive compensation and row on the Nashua River with our boat launch located in Hollis. To see a full job posting or if you have any questions please email lourdes@hbcrew.org

8th Grade Washington DC Trip – Food and Water Donations

With our 8th 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 8th grade parents/guardians that all payments are due February 7th.** Payments are made through the Educational Discovery Tour website. There will be another parent meeting on March 9th 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>

Hollis/Brookline Ski Club – Session 2

Please see one of the attachments for information about the Hollis/Brookline Ski Club's second session. This club is not hosted with Hollis Brookline Middle School.

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 16th

End of Quarter 2/Semester 1 – January 27th

Early Release at 11:55am – January 30th

Spirit Week – February 20th – February 24th

February Vacation – February 27th – March 3rd

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

Thank you,

HBMS Administration