



## **ABINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWS**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

January 14 AMS PTO Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

January 21 No School - Martin Luther King Day

January 22 Mid-Trimester for Progress Reports Trimester 2

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Good Afternoon,

Several parents have inquired about the Spring MCAS testing schedule. Exact test dates for testing have yet to be determined however, I can share with you that the testing window opens on April 1, 2019 and closes on May 24, 2019. It is likely that testing will begin on April 2, 2019 and last through May 17, 2019. Each grade level will have 4 - 6 testing days, depending on the subjects tested. A full testing schedule should be available prior to the February school break.

Have a safe and restful weekend.

Mr. MacCurtain

### **ART NEWS**

During the months of September and October, students in Grade Six Art classes created posters for the Lion's Club International Peace Poster Contest. All of the completed posters (more than 150) are currently being exhibited at the Abington Public Library. They will remain on display until the end of January. Please stop by and see all of their creative work.

## **GUIDANCE NEWS**

The student interviews for South Shore Vocational Technical High School will be held on 2/5/19. Mrs. McDermod will make an in-school announcement when the interview schedule is posted. All students who have completed an application for South Shore Vocational Technical High School will be interviewed. Students who have already been interviewed will still meet with Mrs. Dow from South Shore Vocational Technical High School to review grades and answer any questions they may have. Interested applicants can still complete an online application at [www.ssvotech.org](http://www.ssvotech.org).

## **Looking for Yearbook Photo Submissions!**

The yearbook club invites students, parents, staff, and community members to submit photos for the yearbook. Some ideas are sporting events, dances and other school events, candid photos at home or school, throwback photos with friends, community events, or anything including students from Abington Middle School. These photos will help bring the yearbook to life! Please make sure the content of your photographs is school appropriate. To submit photos online please email to: [amsyearbookphoto@gmail.com](mailto:amsyearbookphoto@gmail.com). Please include in your email the names of students in the photos, their grades, and what the photos are from (ex. play, dance, football game, etc.) It is that easy! Submit your photos today!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CANCELLATIONS OF SCHOOL**

Cancellation of schools will be broadcast over radio stations WBZ (103 AM), WHDH (85 AM), WBET (1460 AM), WMSX (1410 AM), WBUR (90.9 FM), WATD (95.7 FM), WJDA (1300 AM), WRKO (68 AM), WCZV (97.7 FM), and WPLM (1390 AM, 99.1 FM). School announcements will also be broadcast on TV channels 4 (WBZ), 5 (WCVB), 6 (FOX), and 7 (WHDH). Please do not telephone and tie up necessary school, police or fire phone lines. Cancellation and two-hour delay notices will be broadcast over the stations after 6:00 a.m. Cancellations and two-hour delays may also be announced by social media and automated telephone message.

## **ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER/LEGAL CHANGES**

If you have moved to a new home or apartment in Abington, please send a note or call the school to inform us of the change so we can update the data base. Also, if your phone number has changed, please let us know so we can update our data base. If there have been any changes with regard to custody or dismissal regarding your student, please provide the school with current legal documentation (which is requested annually). If you have or are planning to move to another town, we will need you to complete a transfer card so we can mail records to the next school.