

From Mrs. O'Bryant's Desk:

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2018-19-Issue #4



Welcome to SMS: "Caring, Cooperative and Respectful Community of Learners"

Important dates

- Nov. 15- Grade 7 Night 5:30-6:20pm
- Nov. 20- Turkey Trot 1pm
- Nov. 21-23- No School
- Thanksgiving
- Dec. 7- Veterans Breakfast Grade 7
- Dec. 12- Holiday Concert 6pm
- Dec. 18- Grade 7 "Christmas Carol"
- Dec.24-Christmas Vacation begins (The planner incorrectly states no school on Dec. 21)

Parent Survey for Chromebooks-

Please help us out by completing the following survey for our ongoing follow up of 1:1 devices for our students.

Dear parents and guardians of students at South Meadow School,

Our school has partnered with BrightBytes - an educational research organization - to explore our use of technology for learning.

We invite you to answer a few questions about your technology use. It should take less than 5 minutes to complete on any device with internet access.

[Follow this link to participate:](#)

Thank you for taking part in this important initiative!



Advisory Trophy for the advisory that collects the most canned goods by Friday 11/16. Who will win the 2018 Contest?

Advisory Food Collection Contest-Please donate to our SMS Food Pantry.

- Report Cards were sent home 11/8/18. Second term began 11/5. Be sure to check Power School Portal for student information.

School Procedures

- School starts at 7:20am
- Only buses may enter the front parking lot before 7:30am
- Students who are driven to school will be dropped off in the back upper parking lot no earlier than 7:00am
- The front lobby is the waiting area for students who arrive between 7 and 7:10am. Student dropped off in back will walk to front lobby.
- Breakfast is served from 7:05-7:20am.

Continued- School Procedures.

- 2:15pm is dismissal- Students being picked up by parents will report to the back of building in upper parking lot. Please wait in line and not cut out of the traffic flow to leave once your child is in the car. To ensure safety of students getting in and out of cars this needs to be done in a slow flow of the traffic pattern.
- Please send in a note about any changes in bus transportation or parent pick to your child's advisor.
- **Pick Up Patrol cut off is 1:00pm**
- If there are changes to dismissal plans be sure to call the office by **1:00pm**. The end of the day is hectic and we don't want any student to miss messages that come in at a later time.

Nov. 15-Grade 7 Math support night for parents-5:30-6:25pm in room 52 Parents will be able to get Math coaching to work with the math curriculum in helping their children.

Parent /School Connection:-Please start off the year supporting healthy habits:

- Students should not arrive to school tardy.
- Time should be set aside each night for reading and homework.
- Attendance is a priority to a student's success in school
- Dress should be appropriate for school and not beach.
- Check Planners for homework assignments each night.
- No hats are allowed at SMS
- No gum chewing
- No cell phones are allowed in school
- **No tobacco or electronic vapes (Police reports will be made with potential \$100 fines.)**
- Promote: "Caring, Cooperative and Respectful" Behavior at all times.

SMS Halloween 2018!



Grade 8 AHT Dates-

Group meetings: We tried to make the meetings the 3rd Friday of the month.

- November 16 - Joe Byron for World Service Project Honor Flight New England
- January 18
- February 15
- March 22
- April ?
- Tour April 15-19 2019

Tour will cost close to what it did last year approx. \$850.

Box Tops- SMS collects Box Tops for student needs. We appreciate your support sending all Box Tops in for our donations.

Roller Skating-

