The Update

Halifax School's Weekly Newsletter January 25, 2018

Principal's Note

Report cards are being sent out today, they will look and feel a bit different. We have added our science and social studies sections to the the proficiency based report card, that we piloted last year. If you have any questions about the information shared please contact your child's teacher.



The current weather has kept us inside the last few days, although it is bright and sunny it is very icy and once down we might not be able to get up the hill! We will continue to allow students movement breaks, and make sure that activities have them up and down, out of their seats.

Flu and Cold Season

Flu and cold season is upon us, and many people have been affected this year. *The school was notified that one of our students has a confirmed case of the flu.* We will continue to encourage: frequent hand washing, students to avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth as germs spread easily, disposing of tissues after use etc.. If your child is sick they should stay home. Please check in with your physician if you believe that your child has any symptoms of the flu. The CDC notes that;

People who have the flu often feel some or all of these symptoms:

- Fever* or feeling feverish/chills.
- Cough.
- Sore throat.
- Runny or stuffy nose.
- Muscle or body aches.
- Headaches.
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.
 - * It's important to note that not everyone with flu will have a fever.

Flu Symptoms & Complications | Seasonal Influenza (Flu) | CDC

Friday Workshop Volunteers

We are looking for a few parents or community volunteers to run a Friday workshop for students who are not participating in the ski and snowboarding program. If you have a passion for crafting, exercise, games, snowshoeing, etc.. we need you. Volunteers would run a small group for



students in grades K-4, 5-8. The group would meet for 50 mins. We are looking for a volunteer for 1 day or all 6 days on the following dates; February 2nd, 9th and March 2nd, 9th and 16th.

Come have some fun and help create a great experience for our students! Supplies will be provided, but we need you!

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten class would like some small plastic containers to freeze water for ice sculptures. If you have some containers the Kindergarten would appreciate it if you would please send them in to school.

PTG NEWS

The PTG has started a new Facebook page. This page will be used to update parents on meetings and events, and the group is more for parent discussion. The page is public, but membership must be approved to post; the group is closed/private, membership is also approved.

Main Page - <u>facebook.com/HalifaxPTG</u>

Group - <u>facebook.com/groups/HalifaxPTG</u>

The next PTG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00pm in the library. Parents can contact Jaymie LeVine at halifaxptg@gmail.com (or the Facebook page/group) with any questions or concerns.

Tax Time Help and Support

The United Way of Windham County offers is free tax preparation. I have attached an info sheet. They ask that you please consider using our free tax systems if you are income eligible (about 75% of people in the United States are eligible to file for free with myfreetaxes.com).

Important Halifax Community Dates

Friday, January 26 - No School - Full Day Inservice

Friday, February 2 - Winter Sports Program Skiing @ MT Snow

Tuesday, February 6 - PTG Meeting 7:00 PM in the Halifax School Library

Wednesday, February 7 - 11:30 Dismissal - Afternoon Inservice

Friday, February 9 - Winter Sports Program Skiing @ MT Snow

Wednesday, February 7 - School Board Meeting 6:00

Monday, February 19-23 - No School - February Break

Friday, March 2 - Winter Sports Program Skiing @ MT Snow

Monday, March 5 - No School - Full Day Inservice

Tuesday, March 6 - No School - Town Meeting Day

Wednesday, March 7 - School Board Meeting 6:00

Friday, March 9 - Winter Sports Program Skiing @ MT Snow

Friday, March 16 - Winter Sports Program Make-Up Day Skiing @ MT Snow

Thursday, March 29 - 11:30 Dismissal - Afternoon Inservice

Friday, March 30 - No School - Full Day Inservice

Wednesday, April 4 - School Board Meeting 6:00

Monday, April 16-Friday, April 20 - April Break

Wednesday, May 2 - School Board Meeting 6:00

Wednesday, May 9 - 11:30 Dismissal - Afternoon Service

Monday, May 28 - No School - Memorial Day