



LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings HMS Families!

School spirit is alive and well at Hanover Middle School. Our students and staff participated in a week of school spirit days and activities highlighted by the Spirit Day Rally. It is an awesome event where each grade level, under the guidance of their cheerleaders, try and stake their claim of being the grade with the most HMS spirit.

The event was once again held outdoors and the HMS spirit could be heard from the high school and beyond. It was one of the most competitive displays of school spirit that I have ever experienced. All grades were impressive but the grade level with the most spirit was our 7th graders. It was truly a great event!

We were also able to cap our amazing week off with the first social events of the year. These socials were full of fun, bounce houses, games, music, dancing, and frozen treats from Kona Ice. Both socials were well attended and the students had a blast. Thank you to our Student Council, our teaching staff, and our parents for making this day possible for our kids..

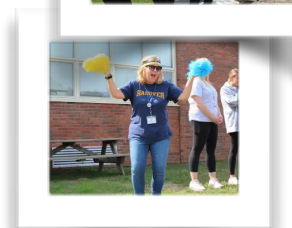
Upcoming Events, Harvest Fest, Veterans' Day, and Turkey Trot



There is always something going on at HMS! On Friday, October 27th, we have Harvest Fest, one of the long-standing HMS traditions. Harvest Fest is an annual fundraiser for the Visiting Nurses Association. On that day, we run a half-day schedule and in the afternoon, students go around the school and have an opportunity to do various activities for a small donation determined by the event. Harvest Fest is full of fun and laughter for our students.

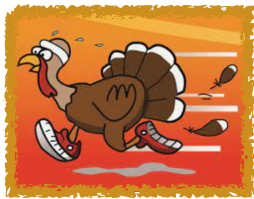
Students are allowed to wear costumes to school for Harvest Fest. One of the fundraising contests is the famous costume contest; make-up, wigs, and costumes are all encouraged. We ask

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the students to leave masks and accessories at home.

We are very honored to be celebrating the men and women who protect and/or have fought to protect the freedoms that we cherish everyday. This year we will be honoring our Veterans in person on Thursday, November 9th in the HMS Gymnasium. Additional Veterans' Day information was sent home on Friday from Mr. Barrett.



Turkey Trot is back on Wednesday, November 22nd. It is a day of health, wellness, and fun as our students and staff jog/walk our course leisurely or compete for a Thanksgiving turkey, pie, or sack of potatoes. There will be more information coming out as we get closer to the event. Be on the look out for a message from the HPTA as there is a rumor that Turkey Trot shirts may be going on sale.

Midterm Progress Reports and Conferences



We are at the halfway point in Term I and midterm progress reports will be going home via Aspen on Tuesday, October 24th. Please take some time to go over the progress reports with your child, celebrate successes and set goals for areas of improvement.

The HMS conferences are on the the afternoon of Tuesday, November 7th, the evening of Wednesday, November 8th, and the afternoon of Thursday, November 9th. We will be sending a conference-scheduling link out to families early next week. More details regarding when families can expect that link will be sent out later this week along with directions.

Please note that Tuesday, November 7th is a professional day and there is no school for students and Thursday, November 9th is an early release day due to conferences.

Thank You HPTA!



Thank you to the HPTA and our Hanover families for all that you do. Thank you for the welcome back luncheon, the socials, Harvest Fest, and for supporting our weekly Hawk awards. The parent support in Hanover is amazing. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

- 10/24 Midterm Progress Reports
- 10/24 Picture Retake Day
- 10/26 Squanto Field Trip (G6)
- 10/27 HARVEST FEST
12:30-2:00
- 11/1 South Shore Middle School Invitational - Cross Country
- 11/7 No School
Professional Development Afternoon Conferences
12:30-2:30
- 11/8 Boda Borg Field Trip (G8)
- 11/8 Evening Conferences
5:30-7:30
- 11/9 Conferences -Early Release Afternoon Conferences
12:30-2:30
- 11/9 Veterans Day @ HMS
- 11/9 HPTA Social
6:00-8:00 @ Starland
- 11/22 Turkey Trot
11:00AM Dismissal
- 11/23 Thanksgiving
- 11/24 No School

HMS Cross Country

It is hard to finish this rather lengthy correspondence without acknowledging our cross country teams. There are over 100 students on this team who are continuously working hard to improve each and every day. Their hard work is paying off as both teams are having amazing seasons. Please hold November 1st on your calendar for the South Shore Middle School Invitational at Forge Pond Park as it is one of the most impressive meets in the area. You will not want to miss this event that has our athletes competing against the top teams from the south shore. Thank you to coaches Economos and Arena as well as the entire FACE team that make running this program a priority. It is truly amazing. Go Hawks!

Have a great weekend and please feel free to contact me with any ideas, questions, or concerns.

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HMS SPIRIT DAY AND SOCIAL

