

October 20, 2019

Dear Oak Hill Families,

Here are just a few things for this week and a list of other items for the last week of October!

Thanks,  
John

**School Safety Day, This Thursday, October 24:**

Last Thursday, I hosted a parent coffee that outlined the content planned for this Thursday's student safety day.

- [Click here to view the overview presentation.](#)
- [Click here to view the scripts we will use with students to practice the key drills.](#)

If you have any questions, please email me (harutunianj@newton.k12.ma.us) or Fiona Healy, Assistant Principal (healyf@newton.k12.ma.us).

**Parent Visiting Day: 7th Grade this Tuesday!**

You are cordially invited to visit Oak Hill Middle School while in session on the following mornings, Periods 1 and 2:

[Click here for the process and expectations during Parent Visiting Days](#)

- Tuesday, October 22                                      Grade 7 – 8:00am to 9:27am

We have identified mornings when students by grade level are in their "team" classes (Eng., Math., Sci., SS/Hist.) followed by a "multi-team" class (World Language, Art, Music, Health, Drama, P.E., and Engineering). This is an opportunity to get a snapshot of what teaching and learning looks like in our classrooms.

**Student Progress Reports:** Our teachers passed out student progress reports, please email your child's teachers if you have questions.

**Picture Re-Takes, October 29:** Photo re-takes will take place for students who missed picture day on September 11 or if you would like to re-take your child's pictures.

**Oak Hill Family Bowling Event:** Click here for the flyer - [Oak Hill Family Bowling Event Flyer](#)

### **Guidelines for Halloween**

The Kindness Ambassadors will be sponsoring a special fundraiser on October 31 by asking faculty and students to donate \$1 in order to wear a costume to school tomorrow. Donations will go to the Kindness Ambassador Club to support creating a welcoming, inclusive school environment for all students including providing holiday support for families in need.

### **Halloween Costumes must comply with the school dress code and these guidelines:**

- No masks, face paint or other facial coverings
- No replica weapons
- No inappropriate language
- No offensive or insensitive costumes

If you have a question about the appropriateness of a costume, please feel free to have your child check with an administrator when they arrive to school in the morning.

### **Early Release Day, coming next Wednesday, October 30:**

- Our second early-release of the year is this Wednesday, October 30. Students will be dismissed at 11:30am.
- We will continue a “Grab and Go” lunch offering for this early release day. If your child would like to eat a school lunch, they will have an opportunity to stop by the cafeteria to get it on their way out of school.

### **Student Pick-up Parking**

Brown and Oak Hill will be dismissed at the same time at 11:30am. There will be over 15 school busses that will be pulling in between the two schools at the same time.

### ***For the safety of all students, please follow these basic guidelines:***

- Please do not try to stop and pick up in the rotary or curbs next to the school that are not blue zones.
- Consider arranging with your child to pick up toward the end of Wheeler near Parker (beyond the Oak Hill softball field) to reduce the congestion near Oak Hill. It will be faster and safer.
- My administrative team and I along with NPS Police will be out Thursday. Thank you for your effort to be patient and safe during Early Release Day pickup.

## **Yearbooks on Sale!**

Yearbooks are on sale! You should have received an email already from our yearbook provider, Herff Jones, with the link that brings you directly to the yearbook order form page. You can also click the following [link](#): The cost of a yearbook is \$39, and it can be purchased using a credit card.

We are also continuing the tradition of the 8th grade tributes in our school's yearbook. This is a great way to celebrate your child's successes in middle school while wishing him or her luck in high school. Tributes will be 1/8 of a page and in full color with the picture and message of your choosing which needs to be emailed to [oakhillmsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:oakhillmsyearbook@gmail.com). [Click here to follow the steps outlined on the tribute form](#). If you wish to have a tribute for your child, print and complete the form, and return it to the main office with \$30 cash or check. Forms are due no later than December 15th.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Ms. Burleigh at [burleighs@newton.k12.ma.us](mailto:burleighs@newton.k12.ma.us) or [oakhillmsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:oakhillmsyearbook@gmail.com).

## **Oak Hill Flu Clinic Coming Thursday, November 7: Forms due by Nov 4!**



Nurse Riley and Oak Hill invites you to sign your child up for our annual flu clinic!

- [Click here for the 2019 Flu Clinic Parent Letter and Flu Clinic Form](#)
- Nurse Susan Riley has more information if you have any questions, [susan\\_riley@newton.k12.ma.us](mailto:susan_riley@newton.k12.ma.us) or 617-559-9215.

## **Lost and Found:**

We have accumulated several fleece jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts etc this fall. We will be donating these unclaimed clothing to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters if they are not picked up by the end of school on Friday, November 8. We will be reminding students during lunches.

### **After-School Clubs (After-School Enrichment and Athletics (AEA))**

- [Click here for a schedule of clubs in October!](#)
- **There is a one-time fee of \$60/annually per student for clubs.** [Click here for the payment form \(note it identifies 17-18 and this form still applies for 19-20\)](#)
- If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Hunt: [russell\\_hunt@newton.k12.ma.us](mailto:russell_hunt@newton.k12.ma.us). Or check out these links: [An Introduction to Oak Hill After School Enrichment and Athletics.](#)

### **Quick Links:**

- [Oak Hill Student and Family Handbook 2019-2020](#)