

THE FALCON FLYER

March 29, 2010



Dear Floral Street Families,

We'd like to begin this week by acknowledging the success of our third- and fourth-grade students on the MCAS last week. No, we don't know the results yet, but we made the point to the students that *success* is about much more than a final score or getting a particular answer right or wrong. Success is also about effort and development of positive work habits. We can say without a doubt that our students displayed exemplary effort, focus, and a can-do attitude during MCAS last week, and that is a tremendous success that we can celebrate right now. We wish the same for our fourth-grade students again this week as they complete the Reading portion of their English Language Arts test!

Part of any eventual success we'll have when the MCAS tests are scored will come from our students' love of literacy and learning. **We hope you will help us celebrate that on the evening of April 9th, when we host our annual Literacy Night**, with a number of exciting literacy events and activities – we can't wait!

Finally, we'd like to acknowledge Shrewsbury parents and citizens who spoke at last week's public hearing on the budget for the next school year. Whatever the eventual outcome, the expressions of appreciation for the tireless work of our teaching staff were deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

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FLORAL STREET NOTICES:

Report Cards Issued Today

Report Cards come home with students today – thank you to our teachers for their work in compiling these important home-school communications. Please be in touch with your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Spring Playground Work

April vacation is when we traditionally ready our playground for use in the spring by turning over and freshening up the mulch. This year, we're also fortunate to be able to install a new piece of playground equipment, thanks to our generous PTO. If you'd be interested in helping out this year on Saturday, April 17th, please email Deb Richard at drichard@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us

PTO Read-A-Thon

Read, Read, Read! The Read-a-Thon starts today and continues through April 9th. Your

child should come home with their Read-a-Thon packet. Please encourage your child to participate. The student who reads the most in each grade level will receive a required reading book from the summer reading list. Also, the class with the most minutes read will be rewarded with a Pizza Party with Mr. Curtis and Mrs. McCubrey. Any questions, please contact Kim Wackell at kwackell@townisp.com or Patti Wolohan at wolohan5@townisp.com

April Showers Calendars

Parents, we are still collecting The April Showers Calendars. We will hold one drawing for each day of the month. Daily cash prizes, ranging from \$50-\$200. Every Ticket has 30 chances to win. The Grand Prize is \$400!! Winners' names will be posted on the Floral Street School web site in early May, and the prize checks will also be mailed at this time. For questions, contact Sophia Sweeney at sophiasweeney@townisp.com or Patti Wolohan at wolohan5@townisp.com. Thank you for your support.

OTHER DISTRICT NOTICES:

Shrewsbury Road Scholars 5k

Another sign of spring is upon us – the **Third Annual Shrewsbury Road Scholars 5K** is approaching! Registration is now open at www.shrewsburyroadscholars.org for this 5K road race that will take place Sunday, April 11th at 12:00 noon. **As in past years, all proceeds will benefit the Shrewsbury Public Schools Citizens for Education Fund.**

CAN you help? Yes you CAN!

Pack 114 is holding a bottle & can drive on Saturday, April 3rd from 9-12 pm. Bring your old bottles & cans to the Beal School on Maple Avenue in Shrewsbury and help the Shrewsbury Cub Scouts!

The Elementary Lunch Menu can be found at any time at:

<http://schools.shrewsbury-ma.gov/departments/division.php?fDD=20-17>

Important Dates:

March 29 th	Report Cards issued
April 9 th	Literacy Night!
April 19 th -23 rd	Spring Vacation – No School

MCAS Dates:

March 31 st & April 1 st	ELA – 4 th Grade
May 11 th & 12 th	Math – 3 rd Grade
May 18 th & 19 th	Math – 4 th Grade

Please check the FSS website for other important dates and the most recent updates!