

Spring Street Link

November 7, 2016

Tomorrow most families and teachers will participate in parent/teacher conferences. Our teachers are looking forward to sharing your child's progress thus far in the year. Also, in the spirit of partnership, our teachers will also provide information on how you can best support your child's learning goals at home. We are grateful to have this opportunity to meet with families and continue to build on the strong home/school partnership that exists and contributes to the success of our students.

Reminder, Conference Day is a no-school day for students. Childcare will be available in the cafeteria from 8:00am-3:00pm. Please keep in mind that the childcare is for the duration of your conference only and is available for school-aged children. Please check in with the staff in the cafeteria and sign in your child before heading off to your conference. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

DINE OUT DAY at Not Your Average Joe's is TOMORROW

Take the kids out to lunch or take a night off from cooking and join your Spring Street friends for another fun dine-out day at NYAJ held on Tuesday, NOV. 8 (Conference Day). Just bring the flyer your child brought home from school today or print out the attached flyer and present it to your server and NYAJ will donate 15% of your total purchase to our PTO.

Ski/Snowboard Lessons at Ski Ward

Thinking of registering your child for ski or snowboard lessons this year at Ski Ward? Ski Ward has offered to donate 5% of the proceeds of the lessons it gives to Spring Street School students to the Spring Street School PTO. Attached is the lesson information. If you decide to have your child take lessons at Ski Ward, all you need to do is select Spring Street School as an affiliation and the PTO will receive 5% of the lesson money back at the end of the winter season. A great way to support a local business and your PTO at the same time!

PTO Meeting on November 15, 2016

Please join us for the second PTO meeting of the year on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Pizza and childcare for school-age children will be available. We will be speaking about many upcoming events and how our parent community can become involved in supporting our school. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend.

Scrip Gift Card Orders - Online Payment Now Available

1. Start your Holiday shopping now. Order your whole family gift cards through Scrip and earn dollars for Spring Street School without buying anything extra. Online payment options now available too, just use Spring Street's enrollment code 6379854353L86 to start ordering today! The next bi-weekly order date is November 15th, 2016. www.shopwithscrip.com.

Meal Magic Implementation Success!

The implementation of Meal Magic went very smoothly last week. We've found that students using this system rather than cash more quickly move through purchasing their lunch a bit quicker. Families can add money to their child's account via the Parent Portal in PowerSchool. Attached please find information regarding how tickets you may have can be 'applied' to your child's account (tickets can also still be used until you run out of them).

Kindergarten 2017-2018

If you have a child that will be eligible to attend kindergarten in the fall of 2017 (must be 5 years old by August 31, 2017), please send an email to Diane Abbott, our Registrar with your child's information so she can check that your child is on the incoming kindergarten database. Her email address is dabbott@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us

Information required:

Student First Name

Student Last Name

Date of Birth

Gender

Address

Phone Number

Parent's Name

Parent's Email Address

Name of preschool child is attending (if applicable)

For more information, please visit our website: <http://schools.shrewsburyma.gov>, click on Student Registration, click on Kindergarten Information 2017-2018.

Young Rembrandts, Next Session Begins December 1st

A new session of Young Rembrandts will be starting after school at Spring Street School on Thursday, December 1. The new 8 week session will run Dec. 1 - Jan 26. Tuition is \$100 for the 8 week session. This session, we'll get ready for winter as we turn out a "sweet" drawing of a gingerbread house (almost good enough to eat!) and ring in the new year with More Emoji's and many more seasonal favorites. With over 6 years of curriculum no two sessions or classes are ever the same. Content is based on child-friendly subjects that open the imagination and stretch the mind. Young Rembrandts strives to inspire your child's imaginative spirit and boosts classic learning skills. Online enrollment is easiest way to register and is available at <https://register.asapconnected.com/ClassDetail.aspx?pk=720235> The attached flyer will be coming home with students with all the class details:alternatively you can also return the bottom portion of the flyer to the school office with payment attached. Classes fill quickly: last time we quickly had a waiting list. Don't delay - enroll today. Call Young Rembrandts directly with any questions: [\(508\)393-8033](tel:5083938033)

Kids' Night Out! Mark your Calendars for November 12th

A fun night for kids hosted by Student Council! Part of Shrewsbury High School will be open to children ages 5-12 to play games, watch movies, do arts and crafts, grab dinner and more. SHS students are volunteering as "Big Brothers and Sisters" for the evening, running the event on November 12 from 6-9pm. The cost is \$20 per child with discounts for multi-child families. Pizza, snacks, and drinks will also be available for purchase. Adult supervision by SHS staff members and a licensed school nurse will be provided. Pre-register at: <http://tinyurl.com/SHSkidsnightout> Maximum capacity is 200 children. Registration at the door is available pending maximum capacity has not been reached. Entrance to the event will be at the Gym entrance of Shrewsbury High School. Registration/admittance will open at 5:45pm. Funds raised at KNO support Student Council and the Excelsior. Please contact Becky Moisan (rmoisan@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us) with questions.

St. Anne's Annual Food Drive – A Spring Street School Tradition!

During the week of November 14- 18, 2016, we have an opportunity to help support local families by donating food and household items to the St. Anne's Food Bank! Please consider helping neighbors enjoy this holiday season by donating items on the attached list or by purchasing a grocery store gift card. All items will be delivered to the food bank before Thanksgiving! The Student Council and the Spring Street School community thank you for your continued support of this worthwhile organization.

Gently Used Coat Drive – Weeks of December 5 and December 12, 2016

Our Student Council will be working with Jordan's Furniture and Anton's Cleaners in their efforts to collect children's and adults' gently used coats for those in need before the New England winter truly hits! So start going through your closets and put those winter coats and jackets items aside that your family members have outgrown! We will be collecting winter coats of all types and sizes the weeks of Dec. 5 and 12 and delivering them to Anton's Cleaners in Framingham where they will clean all appropriate items before distributing them to families in need! Thank you so much for your participation.

From previous links:

Winter Craft Night - Corks Needed

All the crafts are starting to come together for Winter Craft night (December 2nd, 6-8pm), but we are in need of **more wine corks** for some really cute kid friendly crafts. Saving your corks, but don't know what to do with them? Send them into school and we will put them to good use. Any questions please reach out to jghidella@townisp.com. Thanks.

Candy Drive

Each year, St. Anne's Parish in Shrewsbury collects food items for their Thanksgiving baskets to distribute to local families in need. As in the past, they will also be collecting candy to add to each basket. We would like to assist in their efforts to help our local community. Please send WRAPPED candy donations into school. Excess Halloween candy works perfectly! There will be collection containers in the front entrance area. Thank you for your donations! Brought to you by the SSS Student Council.

Spring Street School Spirit Wear!

Get in the school spirit with Spring Street School apparel! A variety of options are available! These items make great gifts for students, as well as family members! The sale runs until Nov. 11th. On-line ordering is available including payment by credit card (see link below). Please check out the items on-line through the link and click on items for color choices. All proceeds from this sale will benefit the PTO. If you have any questions, please contact Kerry Moyall at kerrymoyal@yahoo.com.
https://www.agpestores.com//spectrumenterprises/groupproducts.php?prodgroup_id=8560&prodgroupbypass=true

Volunteering Requirement-CORI Checks

Anyone volunteering at our school must participate in the Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check before volunteering. Volunteering includes classroom volunteering, field trips, field day, etc. Once a CORI check has been completed, your 'CORI' is valid for 3 years. CORI checks are applicable to any volunteering in the Shrewsbury Public Schools. Unfortunately, CORIs completed elsewhere are not valid for Shrewsbury Public Schools. This link can be used to access the form. Please return the completed form in person to Mrs. Judith Adair, our secretary, with your license for the CORI to begin being processed. Please allow for at least 2 weeks for CORI checks to be completed before participating in any volunteer activities at our school. Volunteers without a completed and processed CORI will be unable to volunteer until the process is complete. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
<http://schools.shrewsbury.ma.gov/district/documents/coriform.pdf>

Important Dates

Tuesday, November 8, No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences
Tuesday, November 8, Not Your Average Joes Dine Out Fundraiser
Wednesday, November 9, Gift of Knowledge, 8:30-9:00am
Friday, November 11, Veteran's Day, No School
Tuesday, November 15, PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30pm
November 23-25, Thanksgiving Vacation
Friday, December 2, Winter Craft Night, 6-8:00pm
Tuesday, December 6, Early-Release Day, 12:15 Dismissal, Professional Development
December 6, 2 Ovens Pizza Dine Out Fundraiser
December 26-January 2, December Vacation
January 11, Dine Out Fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings
Monday, January 16, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No School
Tuesday, January 17, PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30pm
Thursday, January 18, Grade 4 Chorus Concert, 7:00pm
Thursday, January 19, Sky Zone Night
Friday, February 3, Movie Night at SSS, 6:00pm
Tuesday, February 7, Early-Release Day, 12:15 Dismissal, Professional Development
February 20-24, President's Day/Winter Vacation

Have a good week.
Bryan Mabie