

The Sanborn Weekly

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FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

State Testing Schedule, Spring 2016

Please mark your calendars! Our third, fourth, and fifth graders will take PARCC Testing in May in both English Language Arts and Mathematics. Additionally, our fifth graders will take the Science, Technology, and Engineering MCAS. Dates are as follows:

Grade 3

Mathematics: Monday and Tuesday, May 2 & 3 and Thursday and Friday, May 5 & 6
English Language Arts: Monday through Wednesday, May 16 – 18.

Grade 4

Mathematics: Monday and Tuesday, May 2 & 3 and Thursday and Friday, May 5 & 6
English Language Arts: Tuesday through Thursday, May 10 – 12

Grade 5

Mathematics: Monday and Tuesday, May 2 & 3 and Thursday and Friday, May 5 & 6
English Language Arts: Tuesday through Thursday, May 10 – 12
Science, Tech, and Engineering: Thursday and Friday, May 19 & 20.

“Oh What a (Math and Literacy) Night!” ~ RESCHEDULED to Wed., March 9th

Save the date! The Sanborn Faculty will be presenting an informative and interactive Math and Literacy Night for parents on Wednesday, March 9th from 7:00 – 8:30 P.M. (*We rescheduled from this week due to Ash Wednesday*). More specific information will come home just after February vacation. We hope you will make every effort to attend. Door prizes will be awarded.

Kindergarten Registration Week: February 8 – 12, 2016

Completed Kindergarten Registrations (all can be found on line), Full Day Kindergarten Applications and deposit checks will be accepted in our school office from this week from **10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.** with extended hours on **Wednesday**,

February 10 from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. After Registration Week, please contact us for an appointment to register your child(ren). Notification on the status of Full-day Kindergarten Applications will be sent out the week of March 7, 2016. Over-enrollment in Full Day Kindergarten classes may result in the implementation of a lottery system.

You are encouraged to register your child during registration week. Per School Committee Policy #JCA, if there is over enrollment in a grade level at any of the elementary schools, the elementary school principals will assign any student who registers for kindergarten through Grade 5 on or after June 1 to a school that has not maximized its class size.

Snow Day Challenges!

Once again, there was a great response to the Snow Day Challenges! On Friday, 45 children participated and yesterday there were 70 participants. Way to go, Bulldogs! Prize winners will be drawn prior to the close of school today.

100th Day Food Drive

We have had a great response thus far to our Lazarus House 100th Day Food Drive. Our goal is to collect 100 food items per grade on or before the 100th day of school. Lazarus House will be coming to pick up our donations on Thursday, February 11th. Items being collected by each grade level are:

Kindergarten (Captains Abi Bapanapalli & Anthony Kim): Canned tuna, canned meat, canned vegetables.

Grade 1 (Captains Gabriella Bresnick & Shreya Patel): Jell-O, cake mixes, coffee, juice boxes, powdered drink mixes.

Grade 2 (Captains Randy Tran & Ben Szeto): White rice (1 pound boxes), any "Goya" brand product, soup – canned or dry.

Grade 3 (Captains Sunjae Kim & Marc Llorens): Macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce, and canned tomato products.

Grade 4 (Captains Saumya Bawari & Vivienne Foley): Peanut butter, boxed cereal, family size (1 gallon) mustard, mayo and ketchup.

Grade 5 (Captains Saumya Bawari & Vivienne Foley): All types of dry pasta (spaghetti, ziti, etc.), canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti-o's, Beef-a-roni, etc.

There are collection bins for each grade level, located within each wing.

School Handbook

The Andover Elementary School Handbook is posted to the APS website. The Handbook may be accessed at

<http://ma-andoverpublicschools.civicplus.com/index.aspx?NID=1354>

Please take time to review the handbook with your child/ren. If you have not already done so, please return the sign off sheet to the office. *Please note that EACH child in the family must return a signed transmittal record to the school office.*

Important Safety Reminders

Please remember that supervision on the playground begins at 8:15 A.M. Children may not be dropped off prior to 8:15 A.M. unless they are participating in a before school program!

Please review the information in the PTO section below, for reminders/updates to morning drop off! It is important that all follow these rules to insure a smooth, and more importantly, SAFE, arrival for our children. Thanks to our volunteers, and increased compliance, our drop off is much smoother and safer!

Also, we now have six school buses and two vans departing the front horseshoe between 2:50 – 3:05 P.M. Please remember **state law** prohibits passing a school bus/van with lights flashing! Buses/vans have priority in that front horseshoe in the afternoon. If you are parked in the lot, expect that you *will* have to wait until all buses have departed. **Please follow the law**, which promotes student safety!!

Also, the Andover PD has asked me to remind all that, in the absence of a handicap plate or placard, cars should not be stopped, even briefly, in a designated handicap space. We do have staff members and volunteers who legitimately need to access those spaces.

Reminder ~ To ensure student safety and a smooth dismissal process, there will be no dismissals from the office after 2:30 P.M.

FROM THE P.T.O.

Visit the PTO website @ <http://www.sanbornpto.net/> If you would like to contact us or submit information for the weekly please send the emails to:

PTO@sanbornpto.net

Sanborn Community Facebook Page: If you are a member of Facebook, please consider joining the **Sanborn Community** page. Unlike the Sanborn School page, parents can post information, share photos and generally keep in touch with what is happening in our School community.

*Only Sanborn parents are granted access to this page. The PTO uses the directory to verify so if you are not in the directory or have a different last name on Facebook please email the PTO at PTO@sanbornPTO.net.

Explorations

When Explorations classes are cancelled due to snow, we make every effort to hold the class at a later date. For those enrolled this session, please take note of the following:

- K-2 Books and Bagels will be made up on March 4;
- Math Olympiad and Dance Class will be made up on March 18
- Book Making and K-2 Yoga will be made up on March 7

***** Rescheduled** Sweetheart Dance: Friday, February 26th 6:30-8:30***

We hope that your daughter and a special male/person in their life can join us for a night of fun and dancing on Friday, February 5th 6:30-8:30. Light appetizers of pretzels and cupcakes will be served.

Talent Show Chair Needed

We are seeking someone to be the Parent Coordinator for this year's talent show. If interested please contact [Tracey Waszkelewicz](#). The Parent Coordinator would be responsible for the following:

- Coordinate the annual talent show for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders
- Organize the acts themselves, including music, props, etc.
- Coordinator parent volunteers to supervise rehearsals and the show(s)
- Commitment: 1 Time Event (04/11/-16 - 04/14/16)

For more details on the Talent Show Chair position and other volunteer opportunities for this event please visit: <http://www.sanbornpto.net/talent-show.html>

Open PTO Chair & Board Positions for 2016-2017

Please visit the Sanborn Volunteer page on the PTO website <http://www.sanbornpto.net/volunteer.html> or [download the list of open positions](#) for next year including the open PTO Board Positions (Co-President, Treasurer and Volunteer Coordinator).

Call for Zero-Waste Volunteers

Looking for help from February to June to keep food rescue and drain and drop running. Sadly, if there is no parent volunteer on duty every day, the new recycling system will have to end. Please help by signing up today:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054ca8af2ea2fe3-cafe1>

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, February 9 – Friday, February 12 ~ Kindergarten Registration Week

Friday, February 12 ~ February School Vacation Week begins.

Monday, February 22 ~ School Meeting, 2:00 P.M.

Friday, February 26 ~ Sweetheart Dance (postponed from 2/5), 6:30 – 8:30 P.M.