# Marshall Middle School Weekly Update

October 24, 2021

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

#### **Parent Teacher Conferences Information**

#### **ASPEN Accounts**

If you encounter issues or problems with your ASPEN Account, please contact:

- Parent Portal: email portalhelp@billericak12.com
- Student Portal: email **ifowler@billericak12.com**

## From the desk of Nurse Sullivan...

The nurse's office will have the fifth grade vision screening for all fifth grade students on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. If you have questions or concerns please contact Nurse Sullivan at <a href="mailto:hsullivan@billericak12.com">hsullivan@billericak12.com</a>

Many parents have been emailing staff regarding student illness and/or absences, we appreciate the communication. Please be sure to add the school nurse on the email <a href="mailto:hsullivan@billericak12.com">hsullivan@billericak12.com</a> in future emails especially if it pertains to COVID.

## **COVID Testing**

Our weekly routine COVID testing will continue on Monday. If you gave consent for your child to be tested, this will occur every Monday moving forward. If you have not completed the consent form and would like to, please see the link:

Consent for School Based COVID-Testing

#### **Public Speaking Program**

Hello, I'm Samantha Whitten, a former Marshall Middle School student and a senior at BMHS. My friend Anisha Goel and I are running a public speaking program this fall for students grades 6-8 to help them gain skills and confidence with public speaking and presenting. The program is set to run virtually and in-person (for Billerica students only) at BMHS starting October 19th. We were hoping that you would be able to send out an email to students and parents at the Marshall promoting this opportunity. I attached a short description of the program, as well as

a few different flyers that can be sent out to promote the program. Also, this is the sign up link for participants: <a href="https://forms.gle/4PDJ6Z1ofv4QwgwA9">https://forms.gle/4PDJ6Z1ofv4QwgwA9</a>

### **Program Description**

The Speakers of Tomorrow public speaking and presenting program is designed to give students the opportunity to practice their public speaking and presenting skills in a safe, welcoming environment with their peers. Our goal is for students to become more confident by giving them the tools to effectively communicate their ideas in any setting. After a long year we hope this will be a fun way for students to connect and continue to grow in the fall. We sincerely hope you or your student can join us to improve your public speaking skills! For more info please reach out to <a href="mailto:sam11whitten@gmail.com">sam11whitten@gmail.com</a>

#### **BOOK FAIR**

The Book Fair is back...this week at the Marshall...ends on Wednesday.

## Peace Poster Contest... Calling all student artists ages 11-13...

- Lions Club Peace Poster Contest... This year's theme is "We are all Connected"
- ALL posters will be displayed in the Billerica Public Library the first week of November.
- The form states return by Wednesday, however we will collect all entries from students at the Marshall Middle School until Thursday, October 28, 2021 the latest.
- Return to Mr. Bryant in the Guidance Office.
- Please see the Lions International peace Poster Contest guidelines.

#### <u>YEARBOOK</u>

Hi Parents/Guardians and Students!

Do you love to take photos of school events, after school activities, sports, classmates, and field trips? Do you want your special moments in the 2021-2022 yearbook? The school yearbook club needs your help!

Please upload all your amazing moments to the yearbook clubs database. We will try our best to use all your photos but, we will definitely use the best of the best.

Thanks in advance!

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Warmest Regards,

Mrs. Munn, Mrs. McBournie, and the Yearbook Club

# Week of...October 25 to 29, 2021

- Monday, October 25, 2021 B-Day
  - Team 5A to STARBASE
- Tuesday, October 26, 2021 C-Day
  - Team 5A to STARBASE
- Wednesday, October 27, 2021 D-Day
  - o Lions Club Peace Poster Contest due
- Thursday, October 28, 2021 A-Day
  - Virtual Conferences 6-8 PM
- Friday, October 29, 2021 B-Day

#### Weekly Attachment(s):

- Boy Scout Flyer BSA Troop 55
- Billerica Scholarship Foundation's <u>annual calendar fundraiser.</u>

# Have a great week!

# "Be the best version of yourself!"

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