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[September 11, 2026](#)

OPEN HOUSE: Thursday, September 17, 2026 6:00-8:00 PM

- Parents/guardians will begin in the gymnasium at 6:00 PM for opening remarks from administration. **Encore staff, please begin in the gym for introductions.**
- **We will follow a DAY 5 schedule (below)**
- Students will receive a schedule on Wednesday to give to their parents. Extra copies will be available that evening as well. Parents will follow their child's DAY 5 schedule.

6:00-6:20	Opening Remarks for Parents- Gym with Administration
6:30-6:40	Period E
6:45-6:55	Period F
7:00-7:10	Period A
7:15-7:25	Period B
7:30-7:40	Period C
7:45-7:55	Period D

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Dear HMS Families,

Tuesday, September 15th: Every Tuesday & Wednesday during the school year extra help will be available to students after school until 3:25. Pick up takes place in the front of the school and parents should follow the same pick up traffic route as you would at 2:30.

Please be sure to be on time. The schedule of when teachers will be available is included below.

The first PTO Meeting will take place next **Wednesday, September 16th** at 6:00 PM in the library. Anyone is welcome to join and we hope to see many parents in attendance that evening. We have two open board positions, president and vice president. Megan Potter will continue as treasurer and Jessica Murphy as secretary. Thank you to the PTO for providing Grade 6 with a special pizza party today!

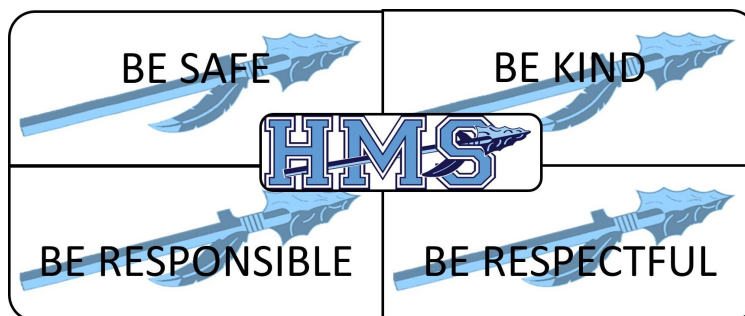
Above is the schedule for **Open House** taking place next **Thursday, September 17th** from 6:00-8:00 PM. Please report to the gymnasium for opening remarks beginning at 6:00 from myself and Assistant Principal Texeira. You will follow your child's DAY 5 schedule that evening. Students will be given a copy of their schedule to bring home on Wednesday, and we will also have extras available that night.

Students will be taking ELA and math Linkit assessments next week. We will follow a modified schedule on Wednesday and Thursday as grades 6-8 will take the assessment in the homeroom. Linkit is a series of benchmark assessments to assist educators with their instructional planning. Following Linkit teachers will have an opportunity to analyze data in an upcoming faculty meeting. In addition, it provides great practice for students in preparation for MCAS. Students are encouraged to try their best.

Tuesday, September 22nd is an early release day for professional development. HMS students will be dismissed at 12:10 PM.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bouchard, Principal



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*After school **Extra Help** ends at 3:25 PM. Parent pick-ups will take place at the front of the school.

<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>
Grade 6	Grade 6
Ms. Cotillo Mr. Durand Mrs. Goris Mrs. Thivierge	Mrs. Armoush Mrs. Cabral Mrs. Chapin Ms. Moura Mrs. Patterson Mrs. Puopolo
Grade 7	Grade 7
Mrs. Damiani Mrs. Costa Dr. McCann Dr. Shurtleff Mrs. Sogn	Mrs. Kenney Mr. Manton Mr. O'Hara Mrs. Reilly
Grade 8	Grade 8
Mr. Botelho Mr. Daigneault Mrs. Dieringer Ms. Rodriguez Tavares	Mrs. Brown Mrs. Doherty Mrs. Johnson Mrs. Marceau Mr. Sandstrom Mr. Synan
Encore	Encore
Mr. Marx Mrs. Farrow Mrs. Latimer Mr. Pellegrino	Mrs. DeLeo Ms. Keough Ms. Reynolds Ms. Skodras
Support Staff and Specialists	Support Staff and Specialists
Ms. Baldwin Ms. Cloutier Mrs. Lee Mrs. Luca Mrs. Raudonaitis Mrs. Sinico	Mrs. Czech Mrs. Downing Mrs. Lehane Mrs. Miller Mrs. Tavares Mrs. Travassos Mrs. Znosko

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7th Grade Green Team News!

ELA with Dr. McCann:

Our first unit is underway in ELA! Throughout September, students will review and practice key fiction concepts from last year while building on them with some new skills. We're focusing on conflict, types of irony, and characterization with a variety of short texts. Students can expect a quiz on these fiction basics in the coming weeks. Speaking of "expecting," Mrs. Harrington began the school year with us and is now off on maternity leave! Students have also been assigned their first two IXL topics, which are **due Friday, 9/18, by 2:00 p.m.**

Math with Mrs. Costa:

Welcome to the wonderful world of 7th grade Math! All classes have hit the ground running with a unit on integer operations. Students should be bringing home their math binders on a nightly basis. This will essentially serve as our book this year and it houses all sorts of tools, notes, and examples that will make learning math concepts easier for all. I look forward to telling parents more about it at Open House next week.

Incoming! The first Math IXL assignment will be posted on Monday, 9/14. It will be due on Friday, 9/25. All the important details will be posted in Google Classroom. :)

Social Studies with Mr. Manton:

Hello and welcome to Green Team Social Studies! It has been a pleasure to get to know your kiddos and learn all about them! So far, we've started our basic understanding and introduction to Ancient Greece. We've looked at the geography of Greece as well as the features of Athenian Democracy, the world's oldest democracy. As we continue to explore this unit, remind your students that homework assignments for the week are due on Thursday, usually with a weekly quiz to follow on Friday. The answers for these quizzes can be found from the weekly vocabulary, notes and other assignments from the week. A well organized binder goes a long way for student confidence and student success!

Look out for any more updates on Google Classroom and I look forward to seeing many of you at Open House next week.

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Mr. Sandstrom - Blue Team Civics

Imagine the world in its natural state. What would life be like without any laws? How would people behave without governments to enact rules and regulations? What is the purpose of governments, anyway? Enlightenment thinkers Thomas Hobbes and John Locke grappled with the questions and came to wildly different answers. This week, Blue Team students designed their own countries and governments inspired by the political philosophies of Hobbes and Locke. Is a government's chief responsibility the protection of its people or their natural rights? What style of government best suits the needs of free people? What kinds of laws pave the way for an ideal society? Inspired by ideas of the past, the students must decide!





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8th Grade Orange Team

Math - Mr. Daigneault

In CP 8 we are analyzing linear equations and how they behave on graphs and in tables. We have introduced standard form linear equations in addition to our slope intercept form. We will be having our first quiz some time towards the middle of next week.

In grade 8 math we have started working on transformation (not Bumblebee and Optimus Prime) but translations and reflections. We have our first quiz on these two topics sometime in the middle or end of next week.



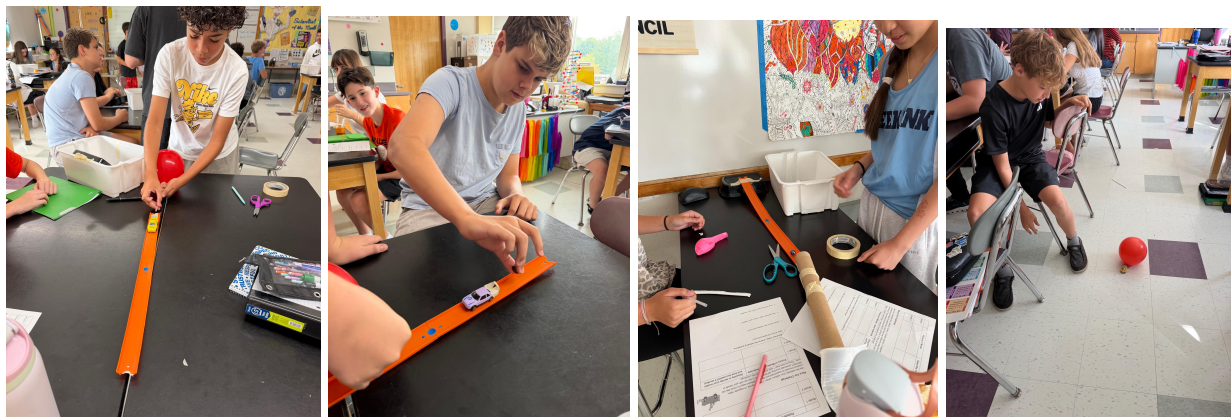
Science - Mrs. Dieringer

Students were given a MOTION CHALLENGE this week to explore ideas of forces. They were given a variety of materials to experiment with to make a marble move in a particular way. Students discovered many of the concepts that we will be

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discussing in this unit.

Force Diagrams model the forces that act on an object. After this week, students should be able to draw, interpret, and conclude all the forces that act on an object to make it move. We did a simulation and practiced problems to reinforce these concepts.



ELA - Mrs. Johnson

Essential Question: How can one person make an impact on a global problem?

A Long Walk to Water, by Linda Sue Park, is based on the true story of Salva Dut, a Lost Boy from Sudan. The main character, Salva, was forced to flee from his family when fighting began in his village. He is walking with fellow refugees toward Ethiopia, to seek safety and hopefully reunite with his family.

Access to clean drinking water is a conflict in the characters' daily lives. Young family members travel hours for water and then carry it home in a large container atop a cloth doughnut on their heads. The dramatically contrasting dry and rainy seasons dictate lives, as they struggle to find enough water to survive.

Students in ELA visited our school library during Super Core. Thanks to Miss Melodie for providing students with genre personality quizzes, a yearbook archive area, a side-library quest, and an informative and fun library orientation video!



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Civics - Mr. Synan

We have gotten off to a great start in Civics this year! Students have connected their summer vacations to civics topics, analyzed the teachings of government philosophers, learned about different types of governments, and examined what power is and why it is important to be "power literate." We have also created study guides, taken notes, worked on projects, and even taken two quizzes already!

In the next few weeks, we will examine Civic Virtue, Colonial America, and the causes of the American Revolution. Keep an eye out for my weekly conversation starter message on ParentSquare, and please take a look at the syllabus posted in Google Classroom.

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BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!

OUTSIDE FUN | GAMES | WATER PLAY

\$10 PER HOUR

SEEKONK HIGH SCHOOL
261 ARCADE AVE, SEEKONK, MA

6:00 - 9:00 PM | **FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18** | **KIDS MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**

Questions? Contact:
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SIGN UP

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