

MCS News January 14th - 18th

Dear Maranacook Faculty and Families

Thank you for an incredible week everyone. Be safe in the snow this weekend!

Health Center: As a parent you can have a major impact on your child's decision not to use tobacco, alcohol, and drugs. Prevention starts when you start talking with and listening to your child. The **attached article** will help inform the conversations you may choose to have with your child about vaping/e-cigarette use. Vaping's popularity has increased exponentially over the past few years, especially with teens. In Dec. 2018, the Surgeon General declared it an epidemic and issued an advisory on e-cigarette use among youth, pushing for: "aggressive steps to protect our children from these highly potent products that risk exposing a new generation of young people to nicotine".

Science: Students are rounding up the first semester in Mrs. Marvinney's Earth Systems classes. They have had quizzes assessing their understanding of the Earth/Sun relationship and how the changes of incoming energy are due to this arrangement.

In chemistry with Mrs. O'Donoghue, all students took their last test for the semester and several classes worked on creating cartoons to represent different types of chemical reactions. Other classes completed a lab investigating the different types of reactions and used an online program to balance chemical equations.

Math: In Mike Boyman's Precalculus class physics projects are underway. Students will pick and build a project and explain the physics and math that goes with the project. Eventually they will present their project to their classmates.

Mr Morin says "We are finally able to learn about equations in Transitions to Algebra!. They have really turned a corner in that class."

Mr Levasseur's class semester exams are almost done and is pleased with how the kids have done in their Honors Algebra 1 class.

Ms Harman's class is working on word problems and they are figuring out how to get the best price at the store.

Ms. Trefethan's Alt Ed math class is working on modeling the trajectory of a catapult.

Art/Music/IA: Mr. Ferrero's Photography class is wrapping up their final portrait assignment. Drawing class is nearly complete with their fingerprint self portrait project with impressive results. Mr Ferrero's Painting students have been applying their understanding of color theory and the new skills they have acquired and seeing stellar results on their first official painting of their choice! Mr Ferrero's Metals Design have produced some wonderful products some of which include ornate fire poker, handmade steel forged spoons, copper raised bowls and intricate silver inlay work on custom made belt buckles.

Technology/Business:

Mr. Dorman's Personal Finance and Freshman Tech & Career Exploration classes are winding down the first semester with final assessments. Semester 2 starts Jan 22nd with a new group of students. His yearbook class is extremely busy, creating, editing, pages for the yearbook. Orders for the 2018-19 yearbook, if you need more information contact Mr. Dorman or yearbook staff member.

In Mrs. Twiss's semester Web Design class students are creating a business website from scratch for a final assessment. The Tech Lab has completed a full update on the PC's for the engineering & design classes. The room is open for staff and students to work on projects with the computers, robots, and 3-D printer.

Guidance: Kim and Sara spent time at the Middle school this week, starting the transition activities from 8th Grade to the High School - students played a BINGO game and won prizes! We have a very excited group of incoming freshmen coming to the high school next year!

Second semester schedules were distributed to advisors for students to see for next week. If any student wants to make a change - they should stop by guidance!

Student Senate/Council:

School Spirit: Has worked with the HS leadership team to approve a pep rally on the Friday before February break. They are working on a schedule to submit for approval. They thought this was important as most State competition happen over break. Sending out Winter Carnival T-shirt design.

Student Voice: Dance on Jan 26th at 8 pm. \$8:00 admission. Big Thank you to our chaperones; Ms. Trefethen, Mr. Watson(Sam), Ms. Brackley, Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. Magnusson, Mrs Twiss and Mrs. Thompson.

Sustainability Committee: Working on recycling issues and the mural design.

Health Center: Working with peer mentors, and the middle school on juuling

Outreach: Carnation sales for Valentines.

Athletics:

Monday Jan 14: Hawks Varsity lost to Brunswick 0-6

Tuesday Jan 15: Both Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball won over Mt. View Boys 78-52 ; Girls 42-29

Wednesday Jan 16: Coed Nordic at Titcomb Girls took 2nd place led by Maura Taylor 3rd, Maggie Stokes 16th, Sally Stokes 18th, Ashley Cray 19th
Boys WON an almost perfect race. Carter McPhedran took 1st, Luke Bartol 2nd, Gabe Fein 3rd, Bryce Trefethen 5th.

Coed Alpine at Titcomb Girls took 2nd overall: Katie Ide 3rd, Emily Harper 8th, Dana Reynolds 14th, Vita Scott 15th

Boys took 2nd overall: Robbie McKee 4th, Brian McNamara 8th, Collin McGarr 11th, Corbin Howe 13th

Thursday Jan 17: Boys Varsity Won over Waterville 79-50;

Girls Lost to Waterville 41-28

Friday Jan 18: No high school events

Saturday Jan 19: Coed Alpine home at Kents Hill 9am

Coed Nordic for the Maranacook Wave at 11am

Hawks Varsity is home vs. Kennebunk at 4pm

The week ahead

Tuesday 1/22 MCHS Staff Meeting/Robotics Field Trip to Cape Elizabeth

Wednesday 1/23 7:30 Transition Team Meeting

Thursday 1/24 4:30 Strategic Planning Meeting

Friday 1/25 District 3 Honors Music Festival

Saturday 1/26 District 3 Honors Music Festival

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