

Farley Fox Gazette



October 2018



UPCOMING EVENTS



October 3, 4, 5	Lions Eyemobile Hearing and Vision Screening
October 3	School Council Meeting 5:30 PM, Conference Room
October 3	Home & School Meeting 6:30 PM, Teacher's Room
October 8	No School – Columbus Day
October 9	No School – Teacher Professional Day
October 10	International Walk to School Day
October 16	11:40 AM Dismissal
October 16	PK-4 Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:30 - 3:00 PM
October 17	11:40 AM Dismissal
October 17	PK-4 Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:30 - 3:00 PM and 6:30 - 8:00 PM
October 20	21st Annual Pumpkin Fest, HHS Morgan Bowl
November 3	Farley Fox Trot, HHS Morgan Bowl, Registration Opens at 10:00 AM
November 6	Absentee/re-takes for School Pictures with O'Connor Studio



A BIG THANK YOU

to Jenni Concannon and Tara Sagor for organizing and coordinating a successful Farley Fun Run—your hard work is greatly appreciated! And thank you to the countless volunteers who helped to make it all happen! We couldn't have done this without you!

We did it!!



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Students are off to a terrific start of the school year! In order to continue and enhance our work on promoting student's positive behavior and interactions throughout the day we have revised our whole-school positive behavior plan. Students will still earn paw print stickers for showing Responsible, Respectful, and Ready behavior, but will be delivered in a different way. The roll out of the revised plan will happen with our staff in early October and then to parents soon after. Until the changeover, students are still praised/recognized for showing the three Rs during the day.

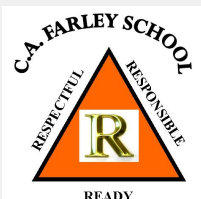
Thank you to our Home and School volunteers who have promoted and worked tirelessly to get our second Farley Fun Run off to a successful start and even more amazing finish—we have raised over \$32,000! With their continued fundraising efforts, all students benefit from their hard work and commitment to Farley. And, thank you to the parents and family members who generously donated to the Fun Run. Without you this could not have happened! We have some great ideas for how the money will support the school. We will share via the web page and parent updates as we make those decisions.

There are so many more things happening here at the school. Please visit our website, read newsletters, and email if you have questions.

You can also follow me on Twitter@farleyprincipal.

Yours in education,

Mrs. Provost and Ms. Scanlon



Home and School Happenings

Hello Farley families,

I am so excited to be moving into October. September was busy for home and school for sure. Between Open Door Day, Fun Run, Open House and the Ice Cream Social—we had such an amazing month! The Fun Run was an amazing success thanks to Jenni Concannon and Tara Sagor and every volunteer that helped through the week and the day of you all had such an impact on this program. The Open House was such a success with spirit wear and the bake sale. We were so happy to see all of our families excited about the Farley spirit wear, so we were definitely listening when all of you were asking for more. We will be sending order forms home in the next couple weeks for spirit wear orders. We will also have new inventory at the upcoming events as well. We are gearing up for the Pumpkin Fest on October 20th and will be looking for volunteers very soon for both sandy candy and luck ducky. We also have the bake sale and spirit wear sales at the conferences on October 16th and 17th. If you'd like to volunteer to provide baked goods for the sale, please contact Fabianna Hummel @ Fabianna_Hummel@yahoo.com. Lastly, we are working on classroom representative forms and will be sending them home soon. So, if you are looking to help with that please keep an eye out for that form. If you have any questions about volunteering opportunities, please contact me at edgul2486@aol.com. Can't wait to see all of you at the conferences and Pumpkin Fest.

Kristina Edison –Farley Home & School President



Bake Sale Friends

Farley Home and School will be hosting a bake sale during parent/teacher conferences.

Please contact our bake sale coordinator Fabiana Hummel at fabiana_hummel@yahoo.com if you're able to bake.



CALLING ALL FARLEY FOXES!

Please pre-register for the 8th Annual Farley Fox Trot happening on November 3th! All pre-registered runners are guaranteed a t-shirt! The deadline to preregister is Monday, October 15th.



The t-shirt drawing contest is still open! Submit your entry by October 15th to be entered in the contest. The winner will receive a free race t-shirt, regardless if they are participating in the Farley Fox Trot.

The Fox Trot takes place at Morgan Bowl, and has a variety of races to suit all ages and abilities. It concludes with a mile run for parents and students, around the scenic grounds of Hudson High School.

Interested in sponsoring the Fox Trot? If you or your business is interested in being a sponsor, please email Mr. Quinn Bquinn@hudson.k12.ma.us or Kim Davis kadavis975@yahoo.com for more details.



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BOKS IS HAPPENING SOON!

BOKS will be starting in October and will run for 8 weeks on Tuesday and Thursdays at 7:30 am. We will be offering it for 3rd and 4th graders as well as siblings in lower grades.

BOKS is a great exercise program and wonderful motivator for kids, but parent volunteers are much needed. When you sign up your child please let us know if you can help out. Keep an eye out for more information in your child's back pack soon!



FARLEY FUN RUN SUCCESS!

We are so very thankful to all of the members of the Farley community for helping to make our second Farley Fun Run a success. We are so proud of the students for giving it their all, and for focusing on the goal of having fun while learning, exercising and doing something amazing for their school. They were all very proud of themselves, and they earned that right, 100%.

Pledges came in from 38 states and 4 countries, and thanks to all of you, we were able to surpass our goal of \$25,000—**we profited more than \$32,000 FOR OUR SCHOOL!** All profits will go right back into Farley and will benefit each and every student.

We would like to extend a special note of thanks to all of the volunteers who donated their time over two weeks to help with the Mind Spark Mystery Lab. We couldn't have done it without you.



We are looking forward to next year! And remember, to solve problems with character, just put into practice all five traits: Citizenship, Zest, Growth Mindset, Integrity and Teamwork.

~Jenni Concannon, Tara Sagor and the entire Home and School Association

From the Math Department

Eureka Math has so much to offer

We are one month into school already! Time flies when we are hard at work teaching and learning. We have begun our fifth year working with the curriculum of Engage New York also known as Eureka Math.

Eureka Math was created by top classroom teachers and mathematicians from around the country. It is the only comprehensive math curriculum aligned to the Common Core State Standards. Eureka Math is now the most widely used math program in the United States. It is available in print and online. Anyone can access it for free. Find the link on the Farley School Math Website. There are training videos, parent support, homework helpers, and tips for parents. The Parent Newsletter is a simple helpful tool that brings home the curriculum your students are learning at school. Each Math Module comes with a parents' handbook called Homework Helper. The Homework Helper illustrates problems similar to those assigned in class and demonstrates an example of the thinking that supports each problem. They are all available online. You can use them throughout the year and even refer to them next year. They are important and valuable resources.

<https://farleyschoolmath.weebly.com/>

Try it at home

TRYING TO REMEMBER THE ADDENDS TO 10 IN FIRST GRADE? Try singing to the tune of "Frere Jaques" 10 and 0, 9 and 1, 8 and 2, 8 and 2, 7 and 3, 6 and 4, 5 and 5, 5 and 5.

LEARNING YOUR MULTIPLICATION FACTS IN GRADE THREE? Try skip counting multiples to familiar songs. Skip count by fours to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat." Skip count by threes to "Jingle Bells"

Kindergarten teacher, Miss Burnes has ten boys and six girls in her class. She gave two pencils to each student. How many pencils did she give out in all?

- a.** 16 pencils **b.** 26 pencils **c.** 32 pencils **d.** 36 pencils

Mr. Joe set up the room for the teacher's meeting with 8 rows of 7 chairs. There will be 64 teachers coming to the meeting. How many more chairs does Mr. Joe need to set up?

- a.** 9 chairs **b.** 8 chairs **c.** 7 chairs **d.** 6 chairs

Reading Department

INTERESTED IN BEING A READING VOLUNTEER?

Reading Volunteers read with individuals or small groups once a week or every other week (depending on your availability) during the school year. You are guaranteed to have lots of fun while enjoying a rewarding experience! There will be a brief orientation on Wednesday, October 10th, from 8:00—8:30 a.m. Please contact Lisette Zinner: lzinner@hudson.k12.ma.us or Stacy MacLeod: smacleod@hudson.k12.ma.us if you are interested!

RTI

Response to Intervention

At Farley, and at all Hudson elementary schools, we use the RTI model to support literacy. The Reading Staff, the Special Education Staff, and the classroom teachers have developed a **Literacy Intervention Block**, also known as, **RTI (Response to Intervention)**, that allows students to receive targeted instruction at their level 5 times a week, *in addition* to their Readers Workshop and Writers Workshop block.

All teachers continually assess students' reading and writing skills, and use the results to plan instruction. During RTI, students have a chance to practice the strategies they have learned in Reader's Workshop, and the classroom teachers and reading support staff meet with students in small groups to address the individual goals they have set up in response to literacy assessments.

RTI is a part of the regular education curriculum. Progress is monitored continually, and groupings, instructors, and goals change over the course of the year, as students' skills develop.

We find this model for instruction engages and challenges students, while allowing teachers to differentiate for individual needs. If you have any questions, we encourage you to contact your child's classroom teacher or a member of the reading staff.

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Director: Robert Knittle

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Mulready Forest Farley



Welcome Back to School!

This year in an effort to reduce our paper usage, we are posting the parent materials for the Eureka Math Program online. Each Module has a Parent Letter and a Homework Helper booklet for families to use at home; these materials were previously printed and distributed to the students.

If you go to the Math website and choose Homework Help, you will find the parent letters and Homework Helpers. There are also many apps, games, and links to help support your student. <https://farleyschoolmath.weebly.com>

Homework Helper booklets are available for all modules. The links for Module 1 are presented on the page. All other Homework Helpers are in a password protected page. Click on the button and it will link you to the page requesting a password. The password is EurekaHH344.

If you have any questions or need to have a printed copy please contact your child's teacher or the Math Specialist at your school. We will be happy to provide access to those who request it.

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