

# John Eliot School Bulletin

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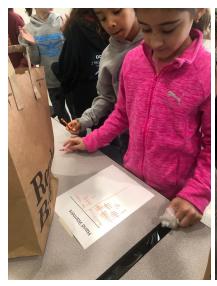
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#### **Principal's News**

#### **Generic Ministry**

For the past 11 years, students at Eliot school have teamed up with the Generic Ministry to provide basic necessities and food for the homeless in Boston. Every week, the generic ministry van delivers much needed supplies. Students at Eliot participate in 6 of those deliveries by collecting items such as socks, deodorant, toothpaste, water, sneakers, toiletries, warm clothing and of course, sandwiches. Prior to the deliveries, students will gather in the cafeteria and create sandwiches and bagged meals. All students in grades K-5 will have an opportunity to participate in this activity. We are very proud of our student's efforts and the kindness they show to those in need. Below are photos of students from 4 Kozin creating sandwiches, and counting supplies.







#### **Fun Lunches**

On Wednesday, October 23rd for the early release day, all students will have the option of purchasing a "FUN LUNCH". A Fun Lunch consists of a colorful paper bag filled with individually wrapped foods to make up a nutritionally complete and portable FUN Lunch. At Eliot this month, the FUN LUNCH bag will include:

Mozzarella String Cheese
Baby Carrots with Lite Ranch Dip
Zee Zee Cinnamon Bar
Sunflower Seeds
Juice Drink
Choice of Chocolate or White Milk
and a FUN SURPRISE in the bag.

On Tuesday, a basket with the contents of the FUN LUNCH will be on display in the cafeteria so students can see what they will get when they order lunch. The cost of the lunch will be the same as a regular lunch. We hope our students enjoy this fun lunch option!

#### ST Math (Spatial Temporal math)



#### Dear Families.

We are very lucky this year to be able to implement ST Math, an online, visually based math program, into our K-2 classroom and our language classroom. Students have been very enthusiastic about meeting "Jiji" the ST Math penguin and solving puzzles and games using their mathematical understanding.

There have been questions from a number of families about use of ST Math at home. This will be an option later in the school year, once students have gained greater familiarity and independence with the program. We anticipate sharing log-in information with families some time between Thanksgiving and winter breaks.

It's wonderful seeing the students' excitement and eagerness to continue playing ST Math at home. We appreciate everyone's patience for at-home use of the program.

Thank you
Elizabeth Heins, Math Coach
ST Math Champion

			2019 MCAS dates:
Grade 3 -	April 6	Monday	ELA session 1
	April 7	Tuesday	ELA session 2
	May 7	Thurs	Math session 1
	May 8	Friday	Math session 2
Grade 4 -	April 14	Tuesday	ELA session 1
	April 15	Wed	ELA session 2
	May 12	Tues	Math session 1
	May 13	Wed	Math session 2
Grade 5-	April 2	Thurs	ELA session 1
	April 3	Friday	ELA session 2
	April 28	Tuesday	Math session 1
	April 29	Wed	Math session 2
	May 18	Monday	Science/ Tech/ Engineering session 1
	May 19	Tuesday	Science/ Tech/ Engineering session 2

#### **ELIOT SCHOOL PHOTO RE-TAKE DAY - TUESDAY, November 5th**

If your child was absent on our September photo day, or if you weren't happy with your child's photo, we have scheduled a photo retake day, with Lifetouch for: TUESDAY, November 5th.

Please note that in last week's bulletin the date was listed as 10/30, but due to a conflict in scheduling the date had to be changed.

#### YEARBOOK COVER WINNERS

Our PTC yearbook chairperson, Suzanne Stein, held the annual 5th grade cover design contest for the 2019-20 yearbook, this month. A big thanks to all the fifth graders who took part. All the entries were colorful and artistically designed.

#### The cover design winner - Zakhar Lazarevich

And on the back cover, four designs, by the following artists:

- 1. Ciara Canty, Emma Brau, Maiva King and Emmalia Witcher
  - 2. Sahasra Kasula
  - 3. Molly Dodson and Celia Gottesman
    - 4. Haruna Masuda

The yearbook will be available for purchase in late spring.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE OPEN HOUSE: AT SUNITA L. WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Needham School Committee will hold an Open House on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the Sunita L. Williams Elementary School, 585 Central Avenue. The School Committee looks forward to welcoming the community to meet informally and tour the school.



Join other Eliot families and friends to cheer on Boston College Ice Hockey

Eliot Night At BC! BC Eagles Ice Hockey BC v Maine



Tickets are limited, please reserve now!

BC Hockey Friday, January 24

7:00 PM

**BC Kelley Rink Chestnut Hill** 

\$18 per ticket

- 1	To order tickets, please fill out this form and return it to Eliot no lat

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Monday, October 21. Make checks payable to the Eliot PTC. Your tickets will be delivered to you via backpack mail a few days prior to the game.

BC Hockey 1/24 /20 \_\_\_tickets@\$18 TOTAL\_\_\_\_

Oldest Child's Name Teacher:

# Trunk-or-Treat at the Congregational Church of Needham UCC 154 Great Plain Ave, Needham, MA Saturday, October 26, 5-7 pm

Join us for a parking lot full of safe, spooky, but not-too-scary Halloween fun! Church members will decorate their cars and be on hand to hand out candy (and non-candy) treats to all the little boos and ghouls in the neighborhood! There will be simple games, a costume parade, and a "best trunk" contest, as well. Everything is 100% free and our gift to the community.

#### **MAMMA MIA!!**

WHEN: Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26 at 7 pm and Sunday, October 27 at 2 pm

WHERE : Newman Elementary School, 1155 CENTRAL AVENUE, NEEDHAM, MA

#### MORE INFORMATION

Students Acting to Make a Difference, Needham High School's student-led charitable theatre organization, is proud to present Mamma Mia this fall! This fan-favorite and energetic show features both a heartening storyline about love and family as well as the music of ABBA. SAMD has been able to donate the proceeds of every show to incredible charities over the past twelve years, and this year all proceeds will be given to the Women's Business Development Center. This organization supports female entrepreneurs as they begin and grow their small businesses. Mamma Mia performances will take place at Newman Elementary School's Carleton Auditorium on October 25 and 26 at 7 pm and October 27 at 2 pm. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door for \$15 and \$10 for students. Email Betsey Pratt for advanced ticket sales at betsey\_pratt@needham.k12.ma.us. Come out to support an amazing group of hardworking students and a spectacular charity!

## Parent Talk Lecture Series: End the Mealtime Madness - Help for Parents of Picky Eaters

Guest speaker and health coach Jacky Lamenzo
Tues Oct 29th 7-8:30pm at Charles River School 6 Old Meadow Road Dover
Free for Parent Talk members & CRS families, \$10 for non-members

Tickets available here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/end-the-mealtime-madness-help-for-parents-of-picky-eaters-tickets-72339590663 ?aff=efbeventtix&fbclid=lwAR3wDGqsPLgDBTmBOZwVsZo\_dBU8LsZg5XuJxCgLMrgErPToSUsYOrnvHxU

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#### Pancake Breakfast Festival

The Rotary Club of Needham's big Pancake Breakfast Festival is coming up on Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> at Needham High School. People can go online to buy tickets at <a href="https://www.NeedhamPancakes.com">www.NeedhamPancakes.com</a> and can even donate tickets to food pantry families. There will be all you can eat pancakes and sausages plus kids games galore, a cake walk, and other fun activities for kids of all ages.





Join us for some

## FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!





### 1-5:30 PM PUMPKIN CARVING PARTY

& KINDNESS ROCKS NEEDHAM PAINTING BOOTH

1-2 PM BIG JOE THE STORYTELLER

2:15-3 PM JUNGLE JIM

3:15-4 PM MR. MAGICHEAD

4:15-5:30 PM THOMAS FROM JAMMIN' WITH YOU

### 6 PM JACK O LANTERN STROLL

Saturday, October 26 Volante Farms Greenhouse 292 Forest St Needham MA

#### Admission \$10 Children under 2 Free

Includes Festivities, Snacks, & all the Pumpkins you can carve for our Jack-o-Lantern Stroll. Face Painting & Photo Booth sponsored by NeedhamBank











#### **FROM NHS**

Junior student council will be holding our annual trick or treating event on 26, October 2019 at Needham High School open to the whole Needham community. Kids will be able to walk around a certain floor of NHS and go "trick or treating" as different clubs and teams will be posted at different classrooms handing out candy. This is a great way to give teams/clubs exposure to the Needham community while allowing younger kids to get acclimated to the high school. The event will go from 3pm-5pm and admission is \$5.00 per child. There will also be food sold at the High School and there will be games and fun activities going on in the cafeteria like face painting, bean bag toss. *Please see the following flyer*.



Other Important Dates					
10/23/2019	Early Release Day	Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.			
10/26/2019	Pumpkin Run	Eliot Playground 9:30-11:30 a.m.			
11/5/2019	PHOTO RETAKE DAY				
11/6/2019	Early Release Day	Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.			
11/11/2019	No School - Veteran's Day				
11/27/2019	No School - Professional Development Day				
11/28-29/2019	THANKSGIVING RECESS				
12/11/2019	Early Release Day	Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.			
12/17/2019	Winter Chorus Assembly for students	Performance Center at 8:45 a.m.			
12/17/2019	Winter Instrument Assembly for students	Performance Center at 1:30 p.m.			
12/17/2019	Winter FAMILY CHORUS	Performance Center at 6:30 p.m.			
12/23 - 1/1	WINTER RECESS				
1/2/2020	School Resumes after winter recess				



See you next week!