



# John Eliot School

## Bulletin

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### Principal's News:

#### PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Classroom teachers are in the process of scheduling fall parent-teacher conferences that will begin in early November. The conference is an opportunity to talk about how the year has begun and goals for your child in both the academic and social-emotional realms. Teachers provide a variety of times that work for their schedule. Please be mindful that it is not always possible to accommodate back-to-back conferences for siblings and that you may need to come on separate days for each child.

#### CULTURAL ARTS

We are very fortunate to have a group of dedicated parents that support cultural arts at Eliot school. The cultural arts group work closely with teachers to provide quality programming and experiences for our students from outside organizations. Today, our first graders were treated to a presentation from the Discovery Museum. The students learned about light and how it bends through different objects. Students used lenses and engaged in hands on activities to support their science unit of study on light and sound. It was wonderful to witness our first graders shrieks of joy as they experimented with the lenses. Thank you Eliot families and the cultural arts committee! Here are a few pictures:



### 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.**

If your child is having their photo retaken, please be sure that they bring the Lifetouch photo package to school the day of the retake and give it to the photographer.

If your child was absent on photo day, then we will send home a Lifetouch envelope for you to fill out to order your child's photo. Please have your child bring the filled out form to the photographer.

If you have any photo related questions, Lifetouch asks that you contact them, by calling: 508.946.0777. Thanks.



**The Eliot School PTC  
would like to invite you  
to its Annual :**

**Eliot families join us:**

**When: Saturday 10/26 @ 9:30 - 11:30 am\***

**Where: Eliot playground**

**Bring your sneakers and water bottle and come  
run/walk our playground loop. We will  
collectively accumulate miles together.**

**Each family receives a pumpkin for their  
participation. \*\***

**We hope you will join us.**

**\*in the event of rain please check your email Saturday morning  
10/26 for cancellation information.**

**\*\* while supplies last**

Thank you!





**\*LAST CHANCE\*** to make your SpiritWear purchases!

Place your order by 7:00pm Friday, 10/25/19. *Remember:*

- Visit our online store: <https://www.headsupapparel.com/collections/Eliot-2019>
- Items will be delivered approximately 4 weeks from now - perfect timing for the holidays!
- All items come in 2 color choices
- Most items come in youth and adult sizes
- TWO NEW items this year: "Future Eliot Eagle" toddler size t-shirts & Eliot Fleece Stadium Blanket
- All sample items hanging in school lobby are for sale! Feel free to help your child try on. If you want it, it's yours! Just let Brooke know and leave cash or check made out to Eliot PTC at the main office of school and grab it (prices labeled).

Questions? Email: [brookemreilly@gmail.com](mailto:brookemreilly@gmail.com)

Thank you so much for supporting Eliot School!

## Solarize Mass Plus Needham!

In early September, the Town of Needham and the Mass Clean Energy Center (MassCEC) contracted to be a Solarize Mass Plus Town! The program is being implemented by volunteers from the Green Needham Collaborative. Please see the dates of activities and links for more information:

**Green Home Energy Showcase: Saturday, October 26, 2019**

**11:00am - 1:00pm**

<https://www.greenneedham.org/blog/event/solarize-plus-needham-solarize-home-showcase/>

*Visit green homes to learn about rooftop solar, air source heat pumps, and electric cars!*

**Air Source Heat Pump and Solar Educational Seminar**

**November 2, 2019 | 10:00 - 11:00 AM**

<https://www.greenneedham.org/blog/event/educational-seminar-for-homeowners/>

**Air Source Heat Pump and Solar Educational Seminar**

**November 16, 2019 | 10:00 - 11:00 AM**

<https://www.greenneedham.org/blog/event/educational-seminar-for-homeowners-2/>

## 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.

## 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](mailto:betsey_pratt@needham.k12.ma.us). Come out to support an amazing group of hardworking students and a spectacular charity!

**Deadline to purchase tickets has been extended to:  
Monday, October 28th.**

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**

To order tickets, please fill out this form and return it to Eliot **no later than 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## Other Important Dates

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 Concert	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!