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Greetings from the Principal



I have been waiting to complete this month's newsletter until some work had been completed on an exciting project that will impact all schools in Falmouth. The Falmouth Public Schools district administrative team took a trip to Woods Hole on December 3 to explore how we can form a more powerful connection with the world-renowned institutions located right in our hometown. Having a greater partnership with the amazing people who work in Woods Hole has long been a dream of mine and I am very excited that concrete steps are now being taken to make it a reality across the district.

My own father began his career as a marine biologist in Woods Hole before eventually moving to Sippican, Inc. Long before he decided to formally pursue a career in science, my father fell in love with being on the water in Marion and learning about the ocean and all of the creatures that lived in it. As I grew up, he often shared his extensive knowledge of the local environment as we chugged along in his little Boston Whaler headed to Meadow Island in search of quahogs.

As I reflected on the administrative trip on December 3 and our subsequent meetings with our liaisons from many of the institutions in Woods Hole and my father's journey to a career in science, I wondered how many children in North Falmouth are, right now, having similar experiences as they live each day so close to the ocean. Furthermore, I asked the question, "Is our school preparing them and, more importantly, inspiring them to actually pursue a path in science?" I hope that we are, but I know that a great deal more can be done.

I look forward to the work that will be undertaken to strengthen the education our students will receive across all areas of the curriculum as a result of this union. In addition, I look forward to working with the outstanding professionals in Woods Hole to create an exemplary, and likely unique, learning experience for all students in Falmouth. I invite you to share your thoughts on this topic with me any time. Please don't hesitate to email me at: tadams@falmouth.k12.ma.us or call: 508-563-2334. I look forward to your feedback and ideas!

<p>Important Reminders Gr. 3 & 4</p>	<p>April 24 & 25 - ELA MCAS Testing May 15 & 16 - Math MCAS Testing</p>	<p>Spring Break is April 15-19th. Please plan accordingly.</p> <p>YMCA will be open during April Vacation 4/15 at <u>Camp Lyndon</u> and 4/16- 4/19 at the <u>EF School</u>. Families must register thru the YMCA with Claudia Twombly at 774-251-5148 for that week.</p>
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The North Falmouth School Field Day & Picnic is scheduled for Monday, June 10, with a rain date on Thursday & Friday, June 13 & 14. Please mark your calendars. A flier asking for volunteers will be going home after April vacation.



Our annual Art Show/Ice Cream Social/ Basket Raffle event is set to take place on Wednesday, April 24. Help is needed to mount art work. It is all set up and very simple. Stop by the art room to help with mounting anytime or email ksodaitis@falmouth.k12.ma.us to set up a time that is convenient for you. Thank you!



Reminders from the Health Office:

Footwear: We are approaching warmer weather and looking forward to no more winter jackets and boots. Remember that sandals, shoes with heels, flip-flops and other loose fitting shoes are fun to wear, but not appropriate for navigating the ups and downs and uneven surfaces on the playground. Open-toed sandals also invite jammed toes. Sneakers, with socks, should be the footwear for school and are needed all year for PE. Please save the other shoes for the weekends and summer.



Medication: All medication must be brought to the Health Office by an adult. It must be in its original, labeled container. Medication sent to school in a baggie will not be given. Permission forms must be completed by the parent/guardian and, in some cases, by the student's physician. These rules are in place to protect your child, the other students and those responsible for administering the medication at school.

Sunscreen: The sun is already feeling warmer, even on the cooler days. It will be time for sunscreen soon. We do not stock or apply sunscreen at school. Allergies to ingredients in different sunscreens and the volume of students make this impossible. If you apply sunscreen to your child before school, as part of your morning routine, it should help to protect their skin during recess and/or outdoor PE.

Dates to Remember:

- Yearbook Pictures April 5th
- Spring CCCC Dental Clinic will be held on April 9.
- Spring Music performance will be held on Wednesday April 10th at 6:30 p.m.



VIPS Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
 Tuesday, May 7th
 5 - 6 pm Social
 6 pm dinner and remarks

You can register on our website:
www.falmouthvips.org/volunteer-appreciation-dinner.html

