

March Dates to Remember

March 6-10 International Week

March 6-23 Frolio PTO Mixed Bags Fundraiser

March 8 Faculty Meeting
 Only MCAS Support Groups will meet after school no other after school activities

March 9 Inservice/Early Release Day
 @ 10:45 am Breakfast Not Served/Lunch Served

March 9 & 10 AHS Presents High School Musical! at 7:30 in the Frolio Auditorium

March 11 AHS Presents High School Musical! at 2:00 pm in the Frolio Auditorium

March 12 Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 14
 4:00 pm School Council
 6:30 pm PTO Meeting

March 14 Trimester 2 Ends

March 15 Trimester 3 Begins

March 19
 Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 20
 First Day of Spring!!

March 23 from 6 to 9 pm Open Mic Night

March 24 Trimester 2 Report Cards Sent Home

March 26 Peer Leader Walk-A-Thon to benefit

Principal's Message

Spring MCAS is right around the corner. This year, Grade 8 ELA and Math MCAS will be done online as required by the State of Massachusetts and will be administered according to homeroom (see ELA schedule below). Please be sure to ask your 8th grade child who their homeroom teacher is so that you know what days they will be tested. Following is the MCAS testing schedule for ELA only (Grade 8 Math schedule will be provided at a later date.) All of Grade 7 testing as well as Grade 8 Science, Technology & Engineering will be paper-based.

Grade 7 & 8 ELA MCAS Schedule

Dates	MCAS	Who will take
Mon. Apr. 3	Grade 7 ELA Session 1	Entire Grade 7
Wed. Apr. 5	Grade 7 ELA Session 2	Entire Grade 7
Thurs. Apr. 6 and Mon. Apr. 10	Grade 8 ELA Session 1A & 1B	Students in Mr. Campbell, Mrs. Giles, Mrs. Hamilton & Mrs. McCarthy Homerooms
Fri. Apr. 7 & Tues. Apr. 11	Grade 8 ELA Session 2A & 2B	Students in Mrs. DeSieno, Mr. DiPrizio, Mrs. Flaherty & Mrs. Petersen Homerooms

Eighth Grade Students Begin AHS Course Selection Process

8th grade students will be starting the course selection process for Abington High School. Mrs. McDermod will be meeting with all 8th graders and will review the course selection process in early March. 8th grade students will be given the Freshman course offerings for the 2017-2018 Abington High School Course of Studies. Students are asked to review this book and consider elective courses for grade 9. 8th grade teachers will be recommending students for English, Math, Science, History and World Language courses based on academic grades, MCAS/placement tests and course requirements. At the end of March, all 8th grade students will meet with Mrs. McDermod and Guidance Counselors from Abington High School to discuss and make their elective selections. Course selection and academic level placements will then be sent home for parent/guardian review and signature. Mrs. McDermod is available to help any student or parent/guardian that may have questions.

Abington High School Drama presents "High School Musical!"

In this contemporary musical comedy, a popular high school basketball star and a shy academically gifted newcomer discover they share a secret passion for singing. When they sign up together to audition for the lead roles in the school musical, it threatens East High's rigid social order and sends their peers into an uproar. As always, there are plenty of tickets available for purchase on the day/evening of the performance. Come out and support the arts and these hard-working students! Show times are March 9 & 10 at 7:30 pm and March 11 at 2:00 pm in the Frolio Gym.

Hospice at South Shore Plaza

March 28 Signed Report cards due back at school

Frolio MCAS Testing Dates

Apr 3 & 5 Grade 7 ELA

Apr 6, 7, 10, 11 Grade 8 ELA *see Principal's Message

May 2 & 3 Grade 7 Math

May 4, 5, 9 & 10 Grade 8 Math

May 11 & 12 Grade 8 Science, Technology & Engineering

March is Youth Art Month

March is Youth Art Month, a national celebration promoting the value of art, the creative process and quality art education. For this occasion, the Abington Public Schools Art Department is currently exhibiting artwork from students in grades one through twelve throughout the Abington Public Library. The show offers the viewer a broad range of artwork in many different media and expressions. The exhibition of over two hundred works will continue through March 31st. The art teachers will host a "Viewing Afternoon" for the students, their families and the community on Thursday, March 16 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm.

February Students of the Month

Congratulations to the February Students of the Month: Luciano daSilva, Kelsey Deschamps, Erin Doherty, Taylor Frye, Casey Hammil, Deven Newell, Krish Panjwani, Lola Revasz, Victoria Seppala and Allison Walsh, All students selected exemplify positive behavior, responsibility, and respect.

International Week

International Week is a time-honored tradition at Frolio! All students are treated to a week of informative and fun activities. The cafeteria is decked out with International flags, decorations, and student-made posters. Senora Flaherty and some of her students will teach Spanish to Beaver Brook students, and an International Trivia contest and dessert bakeoff will be held. Internationally acclaimed Li Liu will perform traditional Chinese acrobatics including demonstrations of hand balancing, plate spinning, artistic cycling, foot juggling, ribbon dancing and the manipulation of Chinese water bowls and Chinese yo-yos. Thanks to the generosity of the **Abington Education Foundation** for this outstanding programming!

Nurse's Corner

March is National Nutrition Month.

Please remember to eat breakfast to start your day, either at home or at school at our breakfast program offered daily between 7:00-7:20 am. Cost is only \$1.50/reduced lunch students pay .30 cents and free lunch students eat breakfast at no cost.

Tips for healthy eating and making delicious recipes can be found at: www.eatright.org www.choosemyplate.gov www.healthyeating.org

Please notify the school at [781-616-2951](tel:781-616-2951) if your child will be absent.

PTO News~Mixed Bags Spring Fundraiser Runs until March 23rd

A great time was had by all at the Glow in the Dark social event. Frolio PTO would like to thank the parent chaperones and volunteers, and everyone who donated their time, raffle prizes and food/drinks to make this event such a huge success! PTO's next fundraiser will be Mixed Bags and brochures will be sent home next week. Frolio PTO will earn up to a 45% profit on products sold and money earned helps pay for Spring Field Trips. **DO NOT INCLUDE TAX ON ORDERS!** Thank you for your support!

Student Council-Pennies for Patients

Frolio Middle School will participate in Pennies for Patients once again to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Containers have been placed in classrooms and in the main office. Donations of loose change will be accepted until the end of March.

Peer Leaders-2017 Walk for Hospice

On Saturday, March 26th Frolio Peer Leaders will participate in a one mile family-friendly event that supports Hospice of the South Shore at South Shore Plaza. Pledges will be collected and all funds raised will benefit Hospice care.

School Council Community Member Needed

The Frolio/Woodsdale School Council is in need of a community member. The Frolio/Woodsdale School Council usually meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the Frolio Middle School. We focus primarily on school improvement efforts.

Serving on the School Council as a community member would be very beneficial for parents of younger students who will be attending Grades 5-8 in future years. If you do not have a child presently at Frolio or Woodsdale Schools, but have a deep interest in the Abington Public Schools, please contact Principal Matthew MacCurtain at [781 982-2170](tel:7819822170) to learn more about the community member role.