

Good afternoon families,

This week, have spent a good amount of time in the cafeteria, and some classes, talking with the students about Thanksgiving and their favorite Thanksgiving foods. Overwhelmingly, they are Thanksgiving dessert lovers. There is a very heated debate happening at a few 6th-grade lunch tables on which pie is better – pumpkin or apple. Personally, I'd rather have the potatoes and you can find me on Thanksgiving drowning them in gravy. I also learned that many families do not do traditional turkey meals, yet every meal the students shared sounded amazing. Whatever you choose to eat, I hope you enjoy!

This holiday is also a time that we gather around and reflect on what we are thankful for. When I asked students this question, almost always their responses were friends and family. I hope you find time to enjoy each other over the holiday season.

There are only three notes this week:

1. There will be after-school activities and late buses next Monday and Tuesday (11/21 and 11/22)
2. Wednesday, Nov. 23rd is a half day. Students will be dismissed at 12:25 pm. There are NO after school activities this day.
3. Please ask your students to check the lost and found. We will be donating all items on Dec. 22nd before winter vacation.

A note from the MPA:

Please help support the 2022 MPA Direct Appeal, which is our biggest fundraiser of the year! These funds are used for student enrichment, parent awareness and education, teacher appreciation, gifts to the school, and many other student benefits. **Please donate any amount that feels comfortable for your family, no amount is too small, via [PayPal](#) or [Pay4SchoolStuff.com](#), or send a check into the MMS office payable to Middlesex Parent Association.** Thank you for your generosity and support.

There will be no Friday notes next week due to Thanksgiving. I hope you have a wonderful weekend and holiday.

With gratitude,

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