

Principal Michelle Coogan Week of October 16-20, 2023

OUR WEEK IN REVIEW

Monday, October 16, 2023 (A3)

HMS Early Dismissal (12:05 PM)

Professional Development 12:05 PM - 2:50 PM

Team Leader Meeting 2:50 PM - 3:50 PM

HMS Equity Team Meeting 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 (B3)

Fire Prevention Assembly - Gr. 7 Students (Block 2, Period 4)

Field Trip: Team DeLucia Walks the Farmington Canal 11:45 AM - 1:30 PM

> Office Hours 2:50 PM - 3:35 PM

Fall Theater Workshop 2:50 PM Auditorium

Fall Sports

Boys Soccer Practice Girls Soccer Practice Girls Volleyball AWAY vs. Shelton

> Wednesday, October 18, 2023 (A4)

Fall Sports
Boys Soccer AWAY vs. Amity

Girls Soccer AWAY vs. Amity Bethany Girls Volleyball HOME vs. New Haven

After-School Programs

Creative Writing Club
Cross Country & Flag Football
Diversity & Equity Club
Fall Theater Workshop
Gr. 7 A-Team
Jazz Band
Mock Trial
Student Council
YES Club

HMS Conferences

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 19, 2023 (B4)

Greg Dresko, Educational Consultant, Visits HMS

Early Dismissal (12:05 PM)

Professional Development 12:00 PM - 3:50 PM

Friday, October 20, 2023 (A5)

Field Trip: Team Coggins Visits Brooksvale Park 9:00 AM - 12:45 PM Brooksvale Park, Hamden

> Healthy Heroes 2:50 PM - 5:00 PM

HMS CALENDAR

Parents and students can access calendar information on the HMS School Website.

Upcoming Events

October 23: Family Yoga Night (6-7 PM)

October 23 & 24: Todd White, Educational Consultant, Visits HMS October 25: Picture Retake Day October 30: Early Dismissal (12:05 PM)

October 31: Team Ugolik's The Dragon's Price is Right Assembly



TEAM ASSEMBLIES: PARENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!

Team Leaders and teachers have planned a special assembly for their students and families. Based on the popular daytime game show, we are bringing The Price is Right to HMS... Dragon Style! Both students and parents will play an active role in the game, and it promises to be a memorable experience for all.

We will send individual team emails with additional details, including a RSVP for parents. At this time, we are asking parents to SAVE THE DATE in their calendars! Please look for your child's team.



Grade 7, House 2, Team Ugolik October 31, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 7, House 3, Team Coggins November 2, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 7, House 4, Team Stanton November 6, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 7, House 5, Team Holt November 8, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 8, House 1, Team Domurad November 9, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 8, House 2, Team Morello November 13, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 8, House 3, Team DeLucia November 14, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

Grade 8, House 4, Team Rocco November 15, 2023 8:15-10:30 AM

FAMILY YOGA NIGHT Monday, October 23, 2023 6:00-7:00 PM

The HMS PTA is hosting a Family Yoga Night a week from today. Sherri Sosensky, from Kidding Around Yoga, will visit HMS and teach interested students and parents the basics of Yoga. There is no charge for this

family evening. We would like to collect names of interested students and parents so we can purchase healthy snacks. Please RSVP by emailing Michelle Coogan at mcoogan@hamden.org.



HMS CONFERENCES Wednesday, October 18th

Conference registration will close on Tuesday, October 17th. Parents are asked to register for their conference today.

Grade 7 Core Teams

House 2, Team Ugolik
House 3, Team Coggins
House 4, Team Stanton
House 5, Team Holt

Grade 8 Core Teams

House 1, Team Domurad House 2, Team Morello House 3, Team DeLucia House 4, Team Rocco

ALsC Classrooms

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Encore, World Language, PPS, SRBI Coordinators & Specialists

Encore Classrooms
World Language
PPS Team
SRBI Coordinators & Specialists

SCHOOL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

Our HMS School Governance Council (SGC) is an advisory group committed to supporting school improvement initiatives. The SGC is composed of parents and teacher representatives. The SGC meets monthly, and Council members can attend in person or virtually. Meeting Dates: 11/14/23, 12/12/23, 1/9/24, 2/13/24, 3/12/24, 4/9/24, 5/14/24

At this time, there is ONE open parent seat. If you are interested in serving on the SGC, please email Michelle Coogan at mcoogan@hamden.org.

2023-2024 WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION IS OPEN

If your child would like to tryout for the boys and girls basketball teams, please complete the following tasks:

- Visit this website to <u>SIGN</u> <u>UP FOR SPORTS</u>
- Be sure to turn in a completed <u>Physical Form</u>. It must be submitted to the school nurse prior to trying-out for any sport. Physicals are good for 13 months.
- 2023-2024 Medication
 <u>Authorization Form</u> must be
 submitted yearly to the
 school nurse if your child
 carries medication in school
 prior to try-outs.

Questions about Winter Sports at HMS? Contact Ms. Bobbi Bergstrom at bbergstrom@hamden.org.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

There are two additional clubs starting next week on Wednesday, October 25th. Mr. Santos, Spanish teacher, is hosting "Let's Learn Merengue" on the last Wednesday of every month. Interested students can visit Mr. Santos in House 5, Room # 156. In addition, Mr. Molloy is starting

the Technology Club. The first session will begin next week on October 25th. This club is limited to 16 students, and interested students should connect with Mr. Molloy in Room 270. The Technology Club Google Classroom code 7o67znm.

Stay tuned for additional information on WHMS School News.

REMINDER: HMS SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB

The HMS Ski and Snowboard Club welcomes all student-athletes (regardless of previous experience) to consider joining the club for the 2024 season. This club will travel to Mt. Southington Ski Area where student-athletes will be able to hit the slopes and enjoy five evenings of carving new trails in the snow.

Dates of the Thursday Trips:

January 4, 2024

January 11, 2024

January 18, 2024

February 1, 2024

February 8, 2024

Time:

Bus will leave HMS at 2:45-3:00 PM Bus will return to HMS at 8:00 PM

Student-Athletes interested in signing up for this year's Ski & Snowboard Club must complete the following tasks:

1. Join the Ski & Snowboard Club Sign-up Google Classroom: jivbtdc 2. Attend the Informational Meeting

Grade 7 Informational Meeting: Friday, October 20th Block 2, period 6, 9:05 AM (Cafe) Note: check in with teacher first

Grade 8 Informational Meeting:
Monday October 23rd
Block 2, period 6, 9:05 AM (Cafe)
Note: check in with teacher first

Starting October 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM the sign-up form will go live on Google Classroom. The club will accept the first 50 participants who submit their completed Google form which consists of the student's first name, last name, and grade. No payment is due at this time. The remaining student-athletes will be added to the waitlist and will be contacted should a spot become available.

The 50 participants who are invited to participate will be directly notified by Mr. Cebula through the Google Classroom. A more detailed club meeting will be held during the first week of November.

Cost to Participate:

- 1. Transportation Deposit (covers 5 round trips) \$125
- 2. Appropriate Ticket Package (Prices below)

Afternoon (Mon-Fri 3:00p-8:00p) Lift Ticket Only \$40 x 5 trips = \$200 Lift and Lesson \$53* x 5 trips = \$265 Lift and Rental Equipment \$58 x 5 = \$290

Lift, Lesson and Rental Equipment \$68* x 5 trips = \$340

- * Afternoon lessons are 1 hour
- **Lessons are required for student-athletes who have no prior experience**

HELMETS ARE MANDATORY AT ALL TIMES FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

Any questions not answered above... please email Mr. Cebula @ icebula@hamden.org.

HEALTHY HEROES AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM Mondays & Fridays 2:50-4:50 PM

Starts this Friday! (10/20/23)

It is time to sign up for the Healthy Heroes after-school program! This amazing after-school opportunity is FREE to HMS families, and is limited to 120 students.

Students will:

- -Participate in a lesson designed to promote healthy lifestyles.
- -Participate in a fitness activity.
- -Get help with homework.
- -Enjoy a healthy snack & dinner on Fridays!

Click here to <u>REGISTER</u> your child.

Questions? Please contact Michelle Mule at mmule@hamden.org.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



Special thanks to all members of the HMS community who embraced opportunities to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. There were classroom lessons, and each day we recognized outstanding individuals who made a difference in our world.

HAMDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS VIRTUAL BULLETIN BOARDS

Parents are invited to check out the district website. It is the virtual space for community fliers. It is a great way to see what is going on in our beautiful town.

https://www.hamden.org/families/vbb

DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

Please review this updated Daily Health Assessment, available in English or Spanish, with your child every day. This is an important first line of defense in both ensuring the health and wellness of your children and also protecting our entire school community from the risk of infection.







