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## Dates to remember

**Jan. 9** PTO Meeting via Zoom  
**Jan. 10** Brookline Public Hearing on School Budget  
**Jan. 10** CSDA aimswebPlus benchmark testing  
**Jan. 15 NO SCHOOL** Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
**Jan. 22** RMMS aimswebPlus benchmark testing  
**Jan. 23 NO SCHOOL** All day voting  
**Jan. 24** School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at RMMS  
**Jan. 29 Early Release** RMMS 12:45 CSDA 12:55  
**Feb. 7 Early Release** RMMS 12:45 CSDA 12:55

Winter outerwear, boots, and snowsuits are needed for the winter months as recess is spent outdoors throughout the school year. Students go outside with temperatures of 15 degrees or above. We do consider wind chill and whether or not it is sunny.



## CSDA Happenings

**Grade 4:** Grade 4 will finish up the Division Unit the first week of January. In SS, we will begin our new unit on Colonial Towns by designing our own township over the course of five assignments.

**Grade 5:** Fifth grade has started learning about matter in science class. Next week, we will continue to learn about the three states of matter.

**Grade 6:** Grade 6 has worked on their first of many rounds of data collection using our own K'Nex cars. Students analyzed the relationship between the amount of measured force transferred and the distance the cars traveled across a flat surface.

**CSDA Unified Arts:** Starting next week, students will begin their clay unit in art. Students will learn about/review the process of creating with clay, firing the clay in the kiln, and glazing the bisque ware.

Have a wonderful weekend!  
Mrs. Bouley

## RMMS Happenings

**Pre-K:** Next week, preschoolers will read "The Mitten" and interact with the story props to retell the story. They will explore the properties of real or fake snow, depending on the weather.

**Grade K:** Kindergarteners look forward to a visit from Beaver Brook to extend the learning they are doing in the classroom about animals in winter.

**Grade 1:** First graders will work with the glued sounds ang, ing, ong, ung and ank, ink, onk and unk in Foundations. They will begin their how-to writing unit.

**Grade 2:** Next week second graders will begin to learn about opinion writing. They will also be learning how to infer character traits in their reading and start to learn about matter in science.

**Grade 3:** Third graders are beginning their characters unit in reading and learning about weather and climate in science. In math mini lesson reviews are happening before beginning units on area and perimeter. They continue to practice spelling patterns in word study.

**RMMS Unified Arts:** RMMS artists will paint, draw, and create collages based on the themes of owls, penguins, hot chocolate, and other sweets.

Have a great weekend!  
Mr. Molinari

## CSDA & RMMS HEALTH OFFICE UPDATES

**January 5, 2024**

### Welcome Back from the Holiday Break

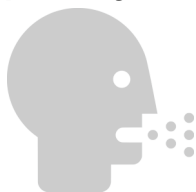


#### Dry Skin Tips

A lack of humidity from the cold, dry air outside and the warm, dry air inside often leads kids to have itchy, dry skin during the winter. This can especially be a problem on a child's hands, which is made worse by frequent hand washing, and around his mouth (perioral dermatitis).

- Using a mild soap or soap substitute when your child bathes
- After bathing, quickly applying a moisturizer to skin within a few minutes can help to avoid and treat dry skin.
- Reapply the moisturizer several times during the day.
- Maintain good fluid intake

#### Respiratory Illness



There is a significant amount of respiratory type illness- Flu, COVID, RSV along with strep throat, stomach illness circulating.

#### **WHEN TO STAY HOME**

To prevent contagious illness, stay home from school with the following:

- **Fever - until fever-free without medication for 24 hours**
- **Vomiting or Diarrhea - until symptom free for 24 hrs.**
- **New/ Uncontrolled Cough or Sore Throat- contact MD**
- **New or Unexplained Rash - contact MD**

## Get Your Flu and COVID Vaccines

**It is not too late to protect your family!**

Locations for obtaining a FLU VACCINE can be found here: <https://www.vaccines.gov/find-vaccines>

Locations for a COVID VACCINE can be found here: <https://www.vaccines.gov/search/>

**COVID-19** Common symptoms include Sore throat, Congestion or runny nose, Head-ache, Cough, Fatigue, Fever, Chills, Muscle or body aches, loss of taste or smell, Nausea or vomiting, Diarrhea. **Obtain a COVID test with any symptoms. To order 4 free COVID rapid tests** <https://www.covid.gov/tests> **What should we do if we test positive for COVID?** Isolate and Contact the school nurse. Symptom start date or test positive date is Day Zero, then isolate days 1-5 and wear a well fitting mask days 6-10. **Follow the CDC Guidelines for Isolation** If someone in the household tests positive, start wearing a well fitting mask for 10 days from exposure. If you have any symptoms, test for COVID right away.

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# HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT OUR **BROOKLINE FOOD PANTRY?**

**Currently accepting donations and supporting families in Brookline and Hollis!**

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## **HOW OUR SCHOOLS CAN HELP**



**Most needed items  
for January:**

- **Maple Syrup**
- **Ramen Noodles**
- **Dog Food (Wet & Dry)**
- **Cooking Oil**
- **Pasta Sauce**
- **Instant Rice**
- **Mayo**
- **Mustard**
- **Jelly**
- **Boxed Cereal**
- **Beef Broth**
- **Canned Fruit**
- **Coffee**

**All families  
welcome- please  
spread the word  
to community  
friends  
and neighbors.**

**Thanks to our  
PTO, you may  
purchase the  
most needed  
items through  
Amazon:**

[https://www.amazon.com/  
registries/gl/guest-view/  
11J6079RAHQIX](https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/11J6079RAHQIX)



**YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!  
PLEASE KNOW THAT ALL DONATIONS MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY.**



**Richard Maghakian Memorial School Registration for  
Kindergarten and First Grade  
2024-2025 School Year.**

RMMS will be holding registration for incoming kindergarten and new first grade students starting on January 2, 2024 thru January 31, 2024. Please visit our school website at [www.myrmms.org](http://www.myrmms.org) and go to the Kindergarten registration link to download the forms and instructions. Registration for kindergarten is for Brookline residents who have children who will be five years old by September 30, 2024. Registration for first grade is for Brookline residents who have children who will be six years old by September 30, 2024. Please share this with any family you know who may have an age appropriate child entering kindergarten or first grade and are new to the area. Thank you for your help. If you cannot make dates in January please call the school office to make an appointment at 603-673-4640.





We are excited to announce that registration for the 2024 Hollis Brookline Cal Ripken (HBCR) Spring Baseball Season is now open!

Programs are available for Hollis and Brookline youth, ages 5-16. You can register your player(s) today at [www.hbcalripken.org](http://www.hbcalripken.org). Age requirements and cutoffs by division are listed on our registration page. We strongly suggest registering as soon as possible to ensure a spot for your player(s).

Other items to note:

We have sponsorship opportunities available for the 2024 season! Please contact us via email at [playball@hbcalripken.org](mailto:playball@hbcalripken.org) if your business is interested in becoming an HBCR sponsor!

We are seeking head and assistant coaches across all divisions. If you are interested, please indicate this, and complete the coach registration, during the registration process of your player.

Baseball will be back before you know it. We can hardly wait to see you and your player(s) on the field this spring!

-HBCR Board

*Not a school sponsored event*

**You're  
invited!**

**Big fun.  
New friends.**



**GIRLS IN GRADES K & UP  
ARE INVITED TO A UNICORN  
PARTY & SIGN UP EVENT!**

**January 11, 2024  
6:00-7:00pm**

**Richard Maghakian Memorial School  
22 Milford St, Brookline, NH 03033**



Parents and caregivers, you're invited too! Get more information and  
RSVP <https://bit.ly/brooklinegs>  
or call 888.474.9686



*This is not a school sponsored event.*



**TICKET!**

**ADMITS YOU + A FRIEND!**

**Big fun.  
New friends.**

**1/11/24 6:00-7:00pm  
Richard Maghakian Memorial School**

**TICKET!**

*Give blood.*

Every 2 seconds someone  
in the U.S. needs blood.

**American Red Cross**



**Blood Drive**  
**Hollis Community**  
**Brookline Event Center**  
**and Auction Gallery**

Banquet Hall  
32 Proctor Hill Rd  
Brookline, NH 03033

**Friday, January 5, 2024**  
**12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

To schedule your lifesaving donation, please visit [redcrossblood.org](https://redcrossblood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: HOLLISNH  
Alternatively, call 1-800 RED CROSS.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.  
If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.  
Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

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to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



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