

Cohasset Middle - High School

OCTOBER 11 — OCTOBER 17, 2015

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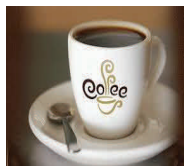


Columbus Day

NO SCHOOL

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Superintendent's
Coffee with
Parents @ 9:30



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Testing for
Grades 10
and 11

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MS Progress
Reports
Published

MS/HS PSO
Meeting @
9:30

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from the desk of Carolyn Connolly...

In the past week I have had the opportunity to engage in learning experiences with both our youngest and oldest students, and have thoroughly enjoyed both! First and foremost, we are all back safely from the 6th grade trip to Camp Wing and it was a HUGE success!! Energetic counselors, fun-filled activities, and our amazing teachers helped to ensure that students had a terrific adventure. Students activities included high wires courses, kayaking, fishing, and adventure courses, all of which were led by counselors who clearly enjoyed what they were doing and who encouraged our youngest Skippers every step of the way. My thanks to the parents and teachers who served on last year's committee to seek out a new experiential learning opportunity; the research and effort really paid off! My thanks to the 6th graders for being such wonderful ambassadors of our school.

Last Sunday, I participated with 9 juniors and seniors in a Team Rival Peer Leadership conference at Gillette Stadium. The day included speakers and team building activities as part of a kick-off event aimed at working with young adults to make positive decisions. Our team was comprised of elected student leaders and captains, all of whom impressed me with their maturity of thought and willingness to discuss complex issues (and of course that they gave up a Sunday to do it!) We will continue to participate as a group throughout the year.

The upcoming week includes a CEF sponsored evening for senior parents on 10/15, so please check your email for an invitation to "De-Stressing the College Process." Hope to see you there and have a great week.



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON
PICTURE RETAKE DAY
THERE HAS BEEN A DATE CHANGE**

Picture Retakes have been rescheduled to MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015.



CLASS OF 2016

**IMPORTANT YEARBOOK INFORMATION ON
COHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEBSITE**

Please go to Cohasset Public Schools website and select **Cohasset High School** under the **Select a School Tab**. Click on the **Students Tab** and select **Yearbook**. Here you will find documents regarding Yearbook Deadlines, Yearbook Grid, Senior Parent Dedication and Community Lifetouch Photo Website.



ATTENTION SOPHOMORE AND JUNIOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS: For the 2015-2016 school year, the PSAT can **ONLY** be given during the school day. Therefore, all students in grades 10 and 11 will take the PSAT in school on Wednesday, October 14th. Parents should have received a separate letter containing more detail. Any questions, please contact the Guidance Office.

This is the “new” SAT so both grades will benefit from this practice.

The **Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT)** is a standardized test administered by the College Board and cosponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) in the United States. Approximately 3.5 million students take the PSAT/NMSQT each year. In 2013, 1.59 million high school sophomores and 1.55 million high school juniors took the PSAT. Younger students are also eligible to take the test. The scores from the PSAT/NMSQT are used to determine eligibility and qualification for



We will be collecting Box Tops for Education this year. So please stop by the main office to drop off any Box Tops you may have. Thank you.



Attention Class of 2016:

Please note that all teacher recommendation requests must be made verbally AND via the Naviance program no later than October 15th. Please contact the guidance office with any questions.

Attention Class of 2017:

Guidance counselors will be meeting with the junior class on October 15th to provide detailed information regarding the SAT redesign and how it may impact the class. Updated information will be distributed and posted on the guidance website after that date. It will be important for juniors to work closely with guidance to develop the testing plan that is right for them as we move forward.

Upcoming Standardized Test Dates

SAT Date	Subject Tests Available	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline (fee required)
November 7	Yes	October 9	October 27
December 5	Yes	November 5	November 23
January 23	Yes	December 28	January 12
March 5	No	February 5	February 23
May 7	Yes	April 8	April 26
June 4	Yes	May 5	May 25

*March 5th is the start of the redesigned SAT. Additional details and information will be communicated in the coming weeks.



ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline (fee required)
December 12	November 6	November 20
February 6	January 8	January 15
April 9	March 4	March 18
June 11	May 6	May 20

***Students who have learning disabilities and wish to apply for extended time on either test should see their counselor right away**

Do you need help with financial planning for college?

Check out www.mefa.org and attend an upcoming workshop.

October 19th, Noble and Greenough School, 7:00 p.m.

October 22nd, Norwell High School, 7:00 p.m.



Hidden in Plain Sight

October 22nd at 7:00 pm

**Willcutt Commons
91 Sohier St.
Cohasset**

Get Smart!

Guide for parents to identify the early warning signs of substance misuse!
The "Hidden in Plain Sight" initiative helps parents spot signs of at-risk behaviors. The initiative uses an educational display of a teenager's bedroom to test parent's knowledge of common household items that can be substance abuse warning signs. The program is designed to encourage honest and candid discussion of the topics of underage drinking and substance abuse.



The Paul Pratt Memorial Library's Homework Center (HC) will be open Tuesday evenings
Beginning October 6th from
5:30-7:00

The Homework Center offers tutoring services to Cohasset students seeking help with studies and homework. Tutors are recruited from the National Honor Society in fulfillment of community service hours. Students from CMHS are invited to attend as well as Deerhill students.

Students will sign in upon arrival and are required to have a parent come into the library at the end of the session. Parents are also required to complete a parental form and emergency contact information. Pizza and beverages are also provided. We look forward to meeting and serving the students of Cohasset!

Malorie Dwyer – Homework Center Coordinator
Eileen Norton – National Honor Society Coordinator
Brigid Lengyel – Young Adult and Reference Librarian, Paul Pratt Memorial Library
Jackie Rafferty, Library Director

The Homework Center is generously funded by the Friends of the Cohasset Library. If you would like to make a contribution toward HW center expenses or refreshments please contact us at:

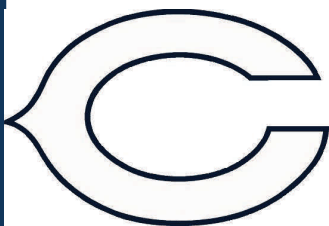
Friends of Cohasset Library

35 Ripley Road

Cohasset, MA



UPCOMING EVENTS: PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DATES



10/14	PSAT's
10/16	MS/HS PSO Meeting @ 9:30 AM
10/16	Middle School Progress Reports Visible
10/19	MS/HS Picture Retakes
10/23	Middle School Halloween Dance
10/27	MS/HS School Council @ 2:20 PM
10/28	PISA Testing