February 24, 2014

Dear Fuller Families,

Spring is just around the corner! I hope you have been able to stay safe during the recent snow storms and cold weather.

I hope you are able to attend the cyber-safety presentation (see description below) Monday night at Cameron. Although we have our PTO meeting at 7:00, we encourage you to stop over at Cameron to learn more about how to help keep your kids safe in cyber-space. If you have not yet been to a Fuller PTO meeting, come join us and find out all the great things that are happening!

I will keep it short and sweet this week; next month, we will be distributing the 2nd edition of our newsletter, Teaching and Learning Matters, where you will read all about the different activities happening on each Team.

Sincere regards

Sharon

PS – Please see attached flyer and consider making a contribution.

**This Week Fuller Dates**

February 24th “Your Child’s Cyber Footprint” – Presented by Bill Bowman, head of Information Security at Bright Horizons, President of the (ISC) 2 Eastern Massachusetts Chapter, and a Framingham parent. Program begins at **6:00 pm** in the **Cameron Middle School Auditorium**. Bill’s organization gives back to communities by giving talks to parents about information security and privacy. Parents from all three middle schools are invited to attend. This presentation is intended for adults only.

February 24th Fuller School Council 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Fuller library

February 24th Fuller PTO 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Fuller library

February 27th Early Release

February 27th Fuller hosts the *Intermediate Math League of Eastern Massachusetts* 2:30-5:30 (rescheduled from February 13th)

**Future Fuller Dates**

March 7 Staff Variety Show 7:00-9:00 Fuller Auditorium

March 10th Grade 8 Parents/Guardians – 7:00 pm FHS Curriculum Night

March 12th 6:00 -7:30 pm – Grade 8 Medieval Museum Evening Exhibit in Fuller Library

March 18 MCAS -- ELA Long Comp. for grade 7

March 19- 20 MCAS -- ELA Reading/Comp. for grade 6 & 8

March 25-26 MCAS -- ELA reading/Comp. for grade 7

March 26 Tri 2 Report Cards go home

March 27 MCAS Make up

March 28 MCAS Make up

May 13th FHS 8th Grade Athletics Orientation @ 6:00 p.m. in FHS Auditorium

**Important Topics**

STUDENT COUNCIL/INTERACT CLUB

Did you know that there is an *Interact* website that will keep you informed on all of the wonderful service activities that our students are involved in?  The site contains photos, upcoming events, and synopsis of events well done.  Please take a moment to check it out.

[http://gallaghersciencegrade8-com.webs.com](http://gallaghersciencegrade8-com.webs.com/)

PARENT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF

Students can ONLY be dropped off in the side (*Mass Bay Community College) parking lot. For safety reasons, students should not be droppe*d off in front of the school. Drivers please take note and respect signs in front of the school and traffic monitors. Please drive slowly while on or near school property.

FULLER WEBSITE

We have a great website that is updated by our talented webmaster, Joe Pagano. We hope that the information here will be an excellent communication tool for families. As we work to improve the website’s effectiveness, please give us feedback.

Check it out at <http://framingham.k12.ma.us/fuller.cfm>

FULLER PTO

Fuller PTO has a Facebook page! Be sure to check it out and become a “friend” of this page to stay connected with PTO activities. Please sign up for the PTO newsletter by contacting fullerpto@gmail.com

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

Regular, on-time attendance to school is strongly associated with academic achievement. Please make sure that you are encouraging your child to be punctual and present every day, unless they have a fever or are vomiting. Students who are repeatedly tardy without an excuse will be assigned consequences such as lunch detention and/or office detention.

FULLER PARENT CENTER

We are very excited to announce that our Parent Center, located in the Guidance Office, is now open to parents and guardians of Fuller students. The hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and parents need to sign-in at Guidance and provide a form of ID. There are four computers with internet access and soon, we will open the Parent Portal of X2 for parents and students to check progress.

**Clubs/After School Activities**

Late buses run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. After school buses will pick up students at 4:15 p.m. and bus them home. The following clubs are offered on the following days:

After School TV club will meet from 3:00-4:00,Tuesday afternoons and run through May 20th. They will meet in the *Access Framingham* studio at Fuller.

Chamber Choir is open to 6th, 7th and 8th graders who enjoy singing from a variety of repertoire and will be performing in the 2014 Spring Concert.  Meetings are at 7:00-8:00 am on Thursday and Friday.  All are welcome to join!

Study Center: 3:00-4:00 every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

After School Activities: in the Gym 3:00-4:00 every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Math Club: 2:30-3:30 every Thursday in Rm. B45

Politics and Current events: 3:00-4:00 every Wednesday in Rm. B24

Yearbook Club: 3:00-4:00 every other Wednesday

Student Council: 2:30–3:30 every Thursday in Rm. B40

Future Science and Engineers Coming - meets Wednesdays