

SPARK Academy

NEWSLETTER

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CALLING ALL GOLFERS!

Signups are open for our 3rd annual Spark Academy Golf Classic at Pembroke Pines! Please save the date, which is **Wednesday, June 26th**. If you would like to play, you can sign up here: <https://birdease.com/SparkGolf>. Signup buttons for foursomes to singles are available when you scroll down past the sponsorship options. See you on the links!

FAMILY OUTING

Our next family event will be...roller skating! Mark your calendar for the evening of Tuesday, March 5th at REMIX Skate & Event Center in Manchester. More details will be shared soon!

IMPORTANT MEETING: SECOND-YEAR PARENTS

All parents of students who are taking Electrical Fundamentals class this semester are asked to join Ms. Pringle and Mr. Tuttle on a brief Zoom call next Tuesday, 1/30 at 5:30 PM. Please watch your email for the link!

CHARTER RENEWAL

We have started our first charter renewal process and would like to thank everyone who participated in the on site visit yesterday. If you are so inclined, please send any comments to info@sparkacademynh.org. We appreciate those of you who have taken the time to do so already!

FOURTH-YEAR FAMILY NEWS

- ☑ Students, please send in photos for the yearbook! We want (school appropriate) selfies, photos of you engaged in extracurricular activities, at work, or having fun. Please email them to Mrs. Larochelle and she will share them with the yearbook advisors.





✓ Graduation is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 31st at 12:00 noon in the MPR at MCC.

✓ For any students turning 18 by May 1, the MCC Give Kids the World volunteer team is looking for new volunteers for a trip to the GKTW resort in Kissimmee, FL in May. They provide weeklong vacations for critically ill children and their families. There is a Trip Info Meeting next Wednesday, 1/31 at 12:00 in The Pit for any eligible students who want to learn more.

✓ Scholarship opportunity: The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation is pleased to announce that it will award over \$7 million in scholarship aid to over 1,500 New Hampshire students this year. To access their online application, students should visit www.nhcf.org and select Apply for a scholarship.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – Info Night for Prospective Families

Saturday, Feb. 17 & Sunday, Feb. 18 – VEX Robotics State Championship at MCC

Monday, Feb. 19 – No Spark Classes (Presidents Day)

February 26 – March 1 – Winter Break

TUTTLE THOUGHTS

Have you ever had one of those days where it seems like you cannot get out of your own way? No matter what you try, you seem to be a step behind or you missed another thing. These days happen to all of us - or at least they do for me. This is the true sign that I am not organized and need to regroup. Taking the time to make sure that you are organized and planning for the future is a great skill to practice and learn.

This week we spent time with all of the students talking about organizational skills: what does this mean and how do we get there. The fun part of being organized is different for every person. For some, it's having the ability to plan ahead and make sure things are done when they need to be. For others, it's being able to find what you need when you need it. This saves time and effort - and who could not use more time?

As I was reviewing grades and how students are doing in their classes it was very clear to me that if students were organized, they got at least one full grade higher than if they were not. Some were even 2 grades better. Having a plan on how to get things done and be prepared are key skills to a student's success in college classes and in their career.

Ask your student to see their organizer and see where they are today in planning and organizing. They may need some help from you as well. Have a great weekend and be safe.

John Tuttle

Director

