

REMINDER: THERE ARE NO SPARK CLASSES NEXT MONDAY 2/20 DUE TO THE HOLIDAY.

SPIRIT WEEK!

The Student Council Activities Committee has come up with some fun things for Spark to do to celebrate Spirit Week next week!

- ☑ Tuesday 2/21- Twin Tuesday
- ☑ Wednesday 2/22- Frat versus Farmer
- ☑ Thursday 2/23- Anything but a Backpack [please mind your laptops!]
- ☑ Friday 2/24- Pajama Day [school appropriate!]

The cohort with the greatest percentage of daily participation will earn an ice-cream sundae party!

There will also be a bake sale on Wednesday 2/22, and Student Council is now able to accept credit card payments as well as cash.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to fourth-year student John Laroche, who is a 2023 National Merit Scholar Finalist!

Congratulations to Mr. Mailloux, who has been nominated for NH's 2024 Teacher of the Year award!

LUNCH & SNACK FOOD NEEDED

We know we've been soliciting food a lot lately, but we could use some items for students' lunches and snacks. Please send something in if you have the means. Needed items include microwave mac & cheese, Chef Boyardee canned pasta, apple sauce, granola bars, fruit newtons, and veggie straws. We also need more hot beverage cups with lids. Thank you!



STUDENT ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

This week's Exploration Wednesday saw the Spark vans going in two different directions! One group of students went to an AdventureLore session at Hampshire Hills, where they did team building exercises. Another group visited Bensonwood, a custom builder of sustainable pre-fab homes in Walpole, NH and AbTech, Inc., a machine shop in Fitzwilliam NH. Thank you to both companies for the great tours and information! We would like to take this time to remind you that Wednesdays are school days, and regular

attendance and participation in Wednesday activities are a key part of the Spark Academy program.

FOURTH-YEAR HAPPENINGS

Students, please remember to come in next Wednesday morning for your meeting! Agenda items include Spark coin design, turning in your quotes for the yearbook, and an update on class rings.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ☑ 2/20 – No Spark classes (President's Day)
- ☑ 2/21 – Information Night for Prospective Families
- ☑ 2/27-3/3 – Vacation! No Spark classes
- ☑ 3/20 – Staff Workshop Day, no Spark classes

TUTTLE THOUGHTS

We are halfway through the 3rd Quarter and there are lots of things going on in our school. All students will be bringing home a progress report that you need to review and send back next week. There is a spot to check off if you would like to have a meeting with the school.

This weekend are the State Championships for VEX Robotics and we have several teams that will be competing on Saturday. They have done really well this year and have high expectations for this event. I wish them all the best and if you have time, please come and cheer them on.

I have also been having conversations with students about stress and how to manage it. One thing we are seeing is that not everyone is getting enough sleep or eating breakfast in the morning. These two things are very important to a teenager's health and I understand that they don't think it is important – but it really does make a difference for them.

I hope that you all have a great weekend, get lots of sleep and have a wonderful breakfast. Go Spark Robotics!!

John Tuttle
Director

