

### DEAR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF SPARK,

We thank you for your continued support — from answering our calls for supplies, to sharing your views at our parent meetings, and to helping us reach prospective families. This week's information night was another success because of the support that you and our staff give to our school. Spark Academy is a great place to teach and learn because it is filled with great people who work together to make so many good things happen. We thank you!

### ROBOTICS TEAM...

The student-drafted agreement for members of the rebooted version of the Spark Robotics Team went out to all interested students who

attended the robotics

meeting held during lunch period this week. As outlined in the meeting, there will be at least one opportunity to compete after States and the team will be meeting twice weekly after school. Exact days are still to be finalized, but the first meeting will be held on Tuesday 2/22 from 3:00-5:00.

If your student is interested in joining the team but somehow missed the meeting, please have them see Mrs. Larochelle for an agreement. Signed agreements and fees should be returned to Mrs. Larochelle, and any parents with questions regarding the robotics program or team should reach out. Thank you!



### STUDENT CHECK-INS....

This week we conducted check-ins with students to review current grades and progress. We developed plans together to get them back on track, if necessary.

All students have been issued a school ID badge and lanyard, which we ask them to wear while on campus. Students who missed Picture Day will receive their IDs in a few weeks.

### UPCOMING INFORMATION NIGHTS...

The next few dates for our Info Nights for prospective students and their families are as follows: February 23, March 17, March 29. We have



space for two new cohorts next year and spots are filling up fast!



## DESTINATION COLLEGE...

Destination College - 23rd Annual Destination College - New Hampshire's Statewide College Planning Event, hosted by Saint Anselm College  
Saturday, April 09, 2022.

- Free college planning workshops,
- Tips about the college application process from a student keynote speaker
- Participate in scholarship raffles
- Attend a college fair

Use this LINK to register. <https://www.nhheaf.org/dc-register.asp>

## COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES...

Save the Date for the annual Sleep in Heavenly Peace Build-a-Bed event at MCC on Saturday, April 23 noon to 3pm.

## ANOTHER CONTEST...

Pass Along Project needs new or gently used sweatpants, shorts or sport pants in men's Large and XL sizes. Donations go toward teen boys who are entering foster care. Cohorts with the most donations will earn a pizza party!!

## CALENDAR ITEMS...

There is NO SCHOOL on Monday, 2/21 for staff workshop day.

Spark's February vacation is the week of 2/28 – 3/4. Please remember that MCC college classes continue as usual that week.

The next Zoom with the Director is on Thursday, 2/24 at 6:30 PM. The link will go out again via email, but those who attended last month can use the same link.

## SCHOOL NEEDS....

Please remember that we have a link to PayPal on our website for donations if you would like to assist us with food needs for our students or routine supplies for the school. As always, we appreciate your support and generosity!

## TUTTLE THOUGHTS....

As we get closer to the end of winter, it is important that we find ways to make sure that we are taking care of ourselves and others. The world has been spinning so fast with so many different stressors affecting each and every one of us. There are many different ways that you can take care of yourself and the ones around you.

- Have a family dinner and talk
- Watch a movie together
- Play a game
- Leave a note to show you are thinking of them
- Read a book
- Just take a moment to relax
- Go for a walk. (It should be nice on Saturday.)

These are all important ways to make sure that you take care of yourself. Please email John Tuttle with the word Spark and you will be entered into a contest for a \$10 Dunkin Donut card. Remember that



you are important and so is everyone in your family. Take the time to care for yourself and others.

## PHOTOS...

This week's photos are from our class activities, Thursday's Bake Sale, and this week's information night.

We hope you have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

John Tuttle

Director