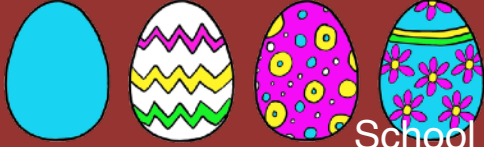


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## IMPORTANT CHANGE COMING

Regular attendance at Spark Academy is a key piece to being successful here. Now that we have moved back into the classrooms full time, it is important for our students to be present for their classes. There is a lot that happens in a 90-minute class period, and while students can make up assignments, they cannot get back the discussion, collaboration, and other classroom dynamics they miss out on when they are absent. We will be reviewing and amending our attendance policy over the summer. Please consider this your notice that attendance requirements are about to become more rigorous, and we will be instituting some academic consequences for excessive absences beyond just state requirements. **This will include chronic tardiness as well.** Thank you for working with us to ensure that your child has the chance to be successful at Spark Academy.



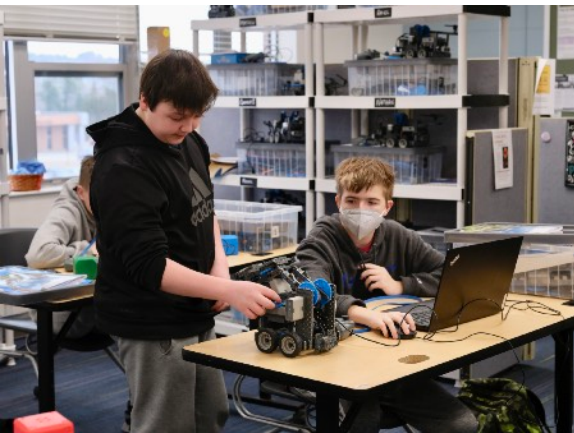
## BUILD A BED SPONSORSHIP

In addition to participating in the Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed build during the MCC Building Beds, Building Community event on 4/23, we would love for the Spark community to sponsor a bed with a monetary donation. The goal is to build 30 beds on that day, and the cost to completely create and outfit each bed is \$500. If you are interested in contributing in this way, please contact Mrs. Larochelle.

We also hope to see everyone at the event, whether you plan to build or not!

Here is a clip from last year's Build Day--- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J\\_UrWSdG-E0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_UrWSdG-E0) Other volunteer stations are available besides building.

If you want to be part of the bed build, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084dadaa23a2f49-mccbuilding>



## SPARK FIELD DAY!

Student Council members are hard at work planning Spark Academy's first Field Day, which will be held during the second week of May. We will need some parent volunteers for this event! As soon as we have the date finalized, we will put out the call for volunteers. Please watch your email.

## Q3 REPORT CARDS

Report cards for the third quarter will be sent home on Monday. We are now in the home stretch of the 2021-22 school year – congratulations!

## SPECIAL NOTICE FOR THIRD YEAR FAMILIES

Please be aware that we are working on the Third Year students' plan for after the current MCC marking period ends on May 7. Remember that the Spark school year goes until June 14! In addition, we are working on setting up possible summer internships with companies like Summit Packaging, Envases USA, and Eversource.

## THANK YOU FOR THE FOOD DONATIONS

This week was simply too hectic to allow for individual thank you emails, but please know that we appreciate each and every donation of food and paper goods that was sent in! Thank you, Spark Family, for your generosity.

## WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

Speaking of attendance, please remember that Exploration Wednesdays are a core piece of the Spark experience – they are not “optional days.” We are gearing up to have a VERY busy month of May with off campus trips and tours. We would hate to have anyone miss out.

## ENROLLMENT – INFO NIGHT

We now have a waitlist for enrollment for the 22-23 school year! Any motivated 8<sup>th</sup> graders you know should be encouraged to attend our April 20 Info Night and submit an application packet ASAP. We will be asking that all current First Year families sign an Intent to Return letter as well – please stay tuned.

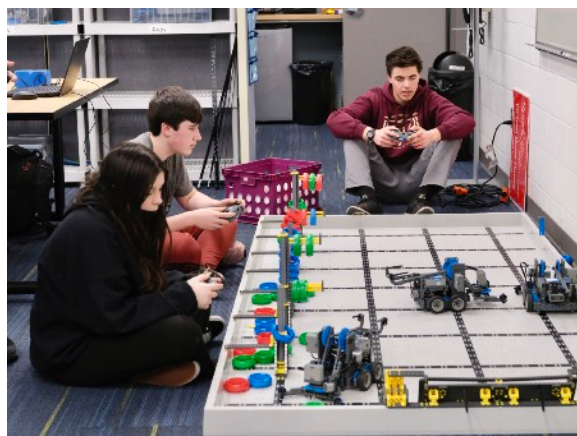
## TUTTLE THOUGHTS

Being a charter school, we depend on donations to help us in managing our budget so that we can provide the education your children have signed up for. At this time, we have not asked for a lot of support from you in terms of monetary donations, but now it is time for you to help. We are in the process of running a few different fundraisers at this time. Please show the support any way you can with regard to those fundraisers. Here is a list of what we are doing and the goal for each of these activities.

- **Calendar Raffle** - \$10,000. Meeting this goal means selling 1,000 tickets. If you are not willing to sell these tickets, we are accepting direct donations. Every student that sells 10 calendars or raises \$100 will get a new Spark Academy t-shirt.
- **Hannafords Helps** - \$500. Buy your groceries at Hannaford and get bucks for our school.
- **Corporate Ask** - \$50,000. Any company that is willing to be a partner of the school and help us move forward in developing the future workforce of NH. If you have a connection, please help us connect.

We need you to do what you can to help us reach our goals to support our wonderful school. Just so everything is in perspective, \$10,000:

- Almost pays a months rent



- Allows us to take 5 field trips
- Buys us 4 computers

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 4/20 Student Council BAKE SALE!
- 4/22 Calendar Raffle entries & payments due
- 4/23 MCC Building Beds, Building Community event
- 4/25–4/29 Spark Spring break
- 5/7 End of MCC marking period (pertains to Third Years only)
- 5/9 No Spark classes (teacher workshop)
- 5/12 NH Science Assessment Test (Third Year students only)
- 5/30 No Spark classes (Memorial Day)

We hope your family has a great Easter Weekend!

John Tuttle  
Director

