SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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ATTENDANCE

Parents, please remember to send an email to <u>attendance@sparkacademynh.org</u> if your student is going to be absent for any reason. This email is also to be used to notify us of late arrivals and early dismissals. You are still welcome to call, but we do ask for the email as well. Thank you.

Students, you need to be **in homerooms** <u>BEFORE</u> 7:55 each day. It is a lot of extra work for Ms. Roberts to track you down needlessly, so please do your part to help her out by reporting to homeroom before attendance is taken at 7:55. Thank you!





CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE

You have ONE WEEKEND LEFT for calendar raffle sales. We are really hoping each and every student will turn in their 10 tickets so that we are able to reach our goal. All tickets and money are due to Ms. Roberts by next Friday, 9/29.

This week's leader board: Tristan Noone (62), Malaki Parsons (39), and Aiden Fournier (30.) GREAT JOB to them and everyone who is doing their part to sell calendar raffles!

OPEN HOUSE

Please remember that we will be hosting an Open House for current families on Thursday, Oct. 5 from 5:30-7:00 PM. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's teachers, see their classrooms, and get a feel for what they are learning here at Spark. You can also set up an appointment for a one-on-one conference at a later date with your child's teacher(s), should you wish.

COMMUNITY SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

This week we would like to highlight two students who spent time on their own to give back to the community: Malaki Parsons, who volunteered to participate in a cleanup day with his mom's company at Odiorne State Park; and Travis DesRoches, who volunteered at a karate conference. Travis also has just earned the Third Degree adult black belt in karate – congratulations, Travis!!





FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Plymouth State University is hosting an open house on Saturday, September 23rd from 9am-3pm. Use this <u>link</u> to register for the opportunity to visit the campus, connect with faculty and engage with current students.

A UNH Manchester Admissions Counselor will be visiting Spark Academy on Friday, September 29th at 12pm. Feel free to stop by for information or to schedule an appointment.

Students have been applying for the Ambassador Program and interviews will start next week. Up to 12 students will be selected to serve as representatives of Spark Academy to prospective families, businesses, and visitors to our school. These students serve as role models to the student body by following the policies stated in the Handbook and by demonstrating our Spark values of:

- School spirit and community involvement
- Perseverance and growth-mindset
- Accountability for academics, attendance, and behavior
- **R**espect and integrity
- Kindness
- Please stay tuned for results in a future newsletter!

REMINDERS

The School Store was open this week and will be open every other Wednesday going forward. Also, every Friday the Fourth-Year students are selling slices of pizza at lunch time. Thank you to Domino's on the West Side!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Friday, 9/29 Last day to turn in calendar raffle tickets
- Tuesday, 10/3 School Photos
- Thursday, 10/5 Open House
- Friday, 10/6 Staff Workshop, no Spark classes







TUTTLE THOUGHTS

As we continue to explore our interests and build relationships this year, the opportunities to learn and grow continue to become clear. As a school, we want to look at all opportunities to both teach and learn. These opportunities could include having a substitute teacher, visiting a fair, having peer mediation, and having the chance to test our ability to prioritize and organize. As we continue to move through the school year, you will see all the amazing chances that each student has to find out more about themselves and grow as a person and student. Next week we will be part of NH Construction Days, Peers Not Fears, and more great chances to show and expand upon what we have learned in classes.

Please take some time to think about what it means to be part of the Spark Community. How do we show our school spirit? Is it wearing a shirt, helping others, trying something new, or spreading the word about Spark? Everything that we do daily helps us be the best person we can be every day.

Please take time to show your Spark Spirit with others and share with us some of the great stories.

John Tuttle Director







