

“One of the signs of passing youth is the birth of a sense of fellowship with other human beings as we take our place among them...”

Virginia Woolf



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Hi All;

A miserable weekend of wind, rain, and cold made a perfect set of conditions for staying indoors and reading a good book. We spent a good number of hours tending to our two daughters who have both picked up high fevers and some degree of congestion. Flu perhaps? It doesn't seem too bad yet, but I suspect everyone else in the house will get it before mid-week. We shall see if it evolves that way or perhaps we may have enough collective immunity to stay healthy.

On Wednesday this week the **Framingham Education Foundation will be sponsoring their annual Townwide Spelling Bee at Cameron Middle School auditorium.** The event begins at 7:00 PM, and there are two entries from FHS. The senior class of students will be represented by “The Super-Seniors of 2010” (David Kruger, Indiana Jones, and Alexandra Skinnion) and the faculty bragging rights will be carried by the “FHS Spell-Checkers” (Alison Courchesne, Heather Conroy, and Shannah Milani). The Bee is a fundraiser for the Ed Foundation's mini-grant program that provides funding of up to \$1000 to teachers who would like to try a new program or approach to their class' curriculum. For more information on the Framingham Education Foundation, see their website at www.framinghamedfoundation.org

On **Tuesday November 17th, Balfour will be here at FHS from 4-7 PM in the cafeteria** for parents and students to order class rings. Sophomores (Class of 2012) typically order rings and receive them at the “Sophomore Ring Dance” in the spring, but any student may order a ring. Balfour will also be here on Wednesday November 18th and Thursday November 19th during all lunches to take orders. Please have the appropriate check and order form filled out. Students should be receiving order forms in the mail.

Also on Tuesday evening, November 17th, at 7:00 PM there will be an Acknowledgment of the Summer Interns event. Around twenty of last summer's interns will speak about their experiences. This is a great time for parents and students who might be interested in an internship to find out what an internship entails and hear from some of last summer's interns about their experiences. This will take place in H100, so anyone attending should enter the building through the doors nearest the auditorium. If anyone has questions, please contact Linda Curtis in the College/Career Center in the library, or via the main FHS phone number (508-620-4963) at extension 1705.

Congratulations to the cast and crew of the fall musical *Seussical*. They had two almost sold out performances on Friday and Saturday, and the production was wonderful on many levels. Next up for the FHS Drama Company is the casting for the annual Massachusetts State Drama Festival to be held later this winter.

Kudos go out to **math teacher Lanny Kim** for her efforts in partnering with students at Dunning Elementary School. Lanny got together with fourth grade teacher Cheryl Pennie to plan a lesson where the students from Lanny's Problem Solving class would prepare math problems for the fourth graders to solve, and they visited

the elementary school last week to work on the lessons together. They had a great time and learned how to help the elementary kids and have fun while doing it. Great job, Lanny!

Congratulations should also go out to our **Boys Soccer team**. Coach Dan Avery's squad had a terrific season that ended slightly earlier than they would have liked last Friday. They played against Lexington in the MIAA Division One North Sectional semi-final, and were behind 3-1 for much of the game. They fought back to 3-2, then scored a miraculous goal mere seconds before the final whistle to tie it at 3-3 in regulation. Despite some great chances for the Flyers to score in two 10-minute overtime periods, the game went to penalty kicks. Ultimately, Lexington prevailed in excruciating fashion after seven rounds of PK's. Despite this last loss, our boys had quite the season and deserve commendations for their efforts.

Not to be outdone, the **FHS Girls Swim** team finished as the first public school (fourth overall) in the MIAA South Sectional Swimming and Diving Championships this past Saturday. Coach Mike Foley's crew piled up 110 points to finish ahead of most of the competition. Senior Jackie Schnell won the 1-meter diving competition for the second year in a row. Congratulations to coach Foley and all the swimmers!

Now that grades have been issued for term 1, department heads will be soliciting candidates from each department for **Student of the Term**. This is a great opportunity to reward someone who has shown worthy qualities as a student and citizen at FHS, so please make sure you nominate someone via your department head. Those being recognized will have their picture and a short blurb posted in the main lobby. Be on the lookout for this request.

This week is a full one, with a slight modification due to our AM Collaboration on Wednesday. Looking ahead to next week, remember that we will have a half-day on Wednesday the day before Thanksgiving, and our traditional pep rally will begin at 10:00 AM sharp.

Remember to scroll down for the weekly calendar!

Statistic Of Week

**Students Who Are Academically Ineligible Based On Term 1
Grades Issued on Friday, Nov. 13:**

Grade 9 : 54

Grade 10 : 84

Grade 11 : 44

Grade 12 : 45

Total : 227

**(Ineligible students have an overall cumulative average of
lower than 70% based on term 1 grades)**

Calendar Of Events

Listed are all school-wide calendar and home athletic events.

Remember to Check the FHS Web Site at: www.framingham.k12.ma.us/fhs/
For All Other Athletic Event Days & Times Visit: www.framinghamflyers.com

This Week:

Monday, 11/16/09 Day 7 - CBGFE

District Re-Organization Meeting, 9AM – 12PM
JV Football vs. Needham @3:00 PM
New Teacher Meeting @2:15 PM in E-202
District Leadership Meeting, Desmaris Room @4PM
RFL Parent Meeting @6:00 PM
Mazie Recognition Night @6:00 PM in auditorium

Tuesday, 11/17/09 Day 1 - ABCDE

NEML Test #2 in cafeteria during B period (9 AM)
Class Rings ordering by Balfour in cafeteria, 4-7 PM
Internship Celebration in H-100 @7:00 PM

Wednesday, 11/18/09 Day 2 - CADGF

AM Collaboration
HR Doors Open @8:10 AM
HR Doors Close @8:15 AM
Teacher Appreciation Breakfast in cafeteria
Fall Athletics Letter Night in Auditorium
FEF Spelling Bee @Cameron @7:00 PM

Thursday, 11/19/09 Day 3 - BAEFG

RFL Luncheon @11:30 AM
Principal's Meeting @McCarthy School @3 PM
DH Meeting @1:00 PM
Study Skills Night in Cafeteria @7:00 PM

Friday, 11/20/09 Day 4 - ACDEF

NHS Blood Drive in Auditorium Lobby
Homecoming Dance in gymnasium

Saturday, 11/21/09

Next Week:

Monday, 11/22/09 Day 5 - BDCGF

Tuesday, 11/23/09 Day 6 - DABEG

Wednesday, 11/24/09 Day 7 C & F Only

Half Day – Dismissal @10:50 AM
C-period = 7:30 – 8:45
F-period = 8:50 – 10:00
Pep Rally begins @10:00 AM

Thursday, 11/25/09 NO SCHOOL

Thanksgiving Day
Football vs. Natick @Natick @10:00 AM

Friday, 11/26/09 NO SCHOOL

Thanksgiving Break

Saturday, 11/27/09