

MIDDLE SCHOOL DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, March 20, 2017

DAY 5

CLUBS and ACTIVITIES:

March 20 through March 24, 2017

Monday:

Tuesday:

Yearbook pictures for Wind Ensemble during homeroom - Report to Gym A

Wednesday:

Yearbook pictures for Jazz Band during homeroom - Report to Gym A

Thursday:

Yearbook pictures for Orchestra during homeroom - Report to Gym A

Youth Advocacy League groups will meet during lunch periods

Friday:

Yearbook pictures for Concert Band during homeroom - Report to Gym A

Informational Meeting for the Talent will be held from 3 to 3:30 in the Auditorium

ATTENTION PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Students will take the PSSA tests throughout the month of April and May:

April 4 & 7, 2017 PSSA-English Language Arts

April 25 & 26, 2017 PSSA-Mathematics

May 3, 2017 PSSA-Science (8th grade only)

Please also take a moment to review the letters from the Principals regarding the 2017 PSSA testing and rules for electronic devices which are posted on the SAMS website:

http://www.sasd.k12.pa.us/shalerareamiddleschool_home.aspx

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Shaler Area School District will meet the needs of all students by committing to high expectations for learning, engaging in rigorous instructional practice, and implementing the aligned and relevant curriculum.

The following is a letter from the Middle School Principals concerning our Middle School Spring Dance, Friday, March 31, 2017:

March 10, 2017

Dear SAMS Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to announce our final dance of the 2016-2017 school year. The theme this spring will be "Neon Night!" This spring's theme was chosen as a result of input from our entire student body, gathered through the efforts of our middle school student council members. Our student council and activities office will be renting some strobe lights and black lights, which should make the evening a really "glowing" time for our students!

Our "Neon Night!" dance will be held on Friday March 31, 2017 from 7:00-9:00 PM in our cafeteria. Tickets must be purchased in advance at our activities office and the price of admission will be \$5.00 per person. Included in the cost of admission will be a piece of pizza.

Some simple guidelines for our final dance are as follows:

-Since "Neon Night!" is the theme, students are encouraged to wear neon colored, dress code appropriate clothing. Please do not feel compelled or pressured to venture to the store to buy any new neon colored clothing, as any bright colored clothing will work well with the lighting! We want this dance to be an enjoyable spring dance for our students, and we wish to keep things as simple as possible.

-A reminder that students who wish to attend must adhere to our guidelines for "Dances", which can be found on page 8 of the 2016-2017 Shaler Area Middle School Student and Parent Handbook. Please note that to be eligible to attend:

- *Students must be in good standing academically and behaviorally (no school suspensions in the month preceding this dance)

- *Students must satisfy any library fines, cafeteria debts greater than \$25, or any other financial obligations owed to the school.

We look forward to seeing our students and staff wearing their "NEON" as we enjoy our final dance of the school year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Martynuska
Principal

Mrs. Howard
Assistant Principal

Yearbook pictures for the following groups will take place this week during homeroom in Gym A:

Tuesday, March 21st: Wind Ensemble
Wednesday, March 22nd: Jazz Band
Thursday, March 23rd: Orchestra
Friday, March 24th: Concert Band

Students should report to Gym A during homeroom, after checking in with their teacher. Please see Mrs. Vaughn or Mrs. Lafayette with any questions.

TALENT SHOW Informational Meeting is on Friday March, 24 from 3:00 - 3:30pm. Students interested in finding out more about auditioning for the show should plan to attend the meeting in the auditorium.

Attention all aspiring photographers, artists and creative people....The Northern Area Gifted Consortium is sponsoring a photography contest. Each photographer is allowed to enter one photo in each of 5 categories. The deadline for entries is April 28th. Please see Mr. Schrom in room 165 for information sheets or pick one up at the desk in the main lobby.

SPORTS:

March 20 through March 24, 2017

Monday:

Girls' WHITE Volleyball has a home match against Mars at the Scott Elementary Building
At 4:00

The Girls' BLUE Volleyball Team will NOT have practice today.

Tuesday:

Girls' BLUE Volleyball has a home match against Butler at the Scott Elementary Building
At 4:00

Girls' WHITE Volleyball has an away match against North Allegheny.

Bus Leaves from the Shopping Center Side at 3:00.

Wednesday:

Girls' Open Practice for Golf will be held from 4 to 5 at Marzolf Primary School.

Boys BLUE Volleyball has a home match against Fox Chapel in the SAMS Gym A at 3:30.

MS Girls' BLUE Softball has an away game against Ellwood City at 5:00.

Bus leaves the Shopping Center Side at 3:15.

Thursday:

Meeting for Boys Golf at the Elementary School Auditorium at 6 pm

Girls' BLUE Volleyball has an away match against Hampton. Students are dismissed
At 2:20. Bus leaves from the Shopping Center Side at 2:30

Girls' WHITE Volleyball has a home match against South Allegheny at the Scott
Elementary Building at 4:00

Friday:

MS Girls' BLUE Softball has a home game against Hampton at the SAHS Anderson Field at 4:15

MS Baseball has a home game against Hampton at the Scott Elementary Building at 3:45.

Saturday:

Girls' WHITE Volleyball is participating in the Pine Richland Jr. High Tournament.

Bus leaves Shopping Center Side at 7:30.

Any girl interested in trying out for cheerleading this year should pick up a packet in Mrs. Matlock's room ASAP.

The Varsity Girls Golf team is starting recruitment for the 2017 season! If you are interested in joining the team, please attend one of our open practices at Marzolf Primary School. Practices are held Wednesday evenings, from 4:00 to 5:00pm. Previous golf experience is not required. For additional information or questions, contact head coach Samantha Smyers or visit the Varsity Girls Golf webpage.

The Boys' Golf Team needs golfers who are willing to learn the game and play High School Golf. If you are interested in playing golf this upcoming school year, please take a flier from the curvy counter outside of the Activities Office. There will be an informational meeting about participating on the boys' golf team on THURSDAY, March 23rd at the Shaler Area Elementary School in the Auditorium at 6 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Coach John Brough at broughj@sasd.k12.pa.us.

Directions to all of our games and matches can be found at our website at www.sasd.k12.pa.us. Go to the red ribbon at the top of the page and click on Athletics and then to the drop down menu for directions.

ATTENDANCE:

STUDENTS: Students are reminded that they must provide a written excuse for all absences. Students should report to homeroom then bring their excuse to the Attendance Office.

Students with Early Dismissals should report to homeroom, and then bring their note to the Attendance Office where they will sign the Early Dismissal sheet and obtain a green pass for their dismissal.

TEACHERS: Please remind the students of their responsibilities.