



Farragut Middle School

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FARRAGUT MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER June - 2009

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- Technology – Brent Harrington - 6230
- Foreign Language - Ms. DeRubeis, - 6230
- Health & Phys. Education – Mr. Fennel, - 6240
- Language Arts - Dr. Mahony, - 6298
- Mathematics – Mr. Stephens, - 6294
- Music – Mr. Rubino, - 6312
- Related Arts - Ms. Coren, - 6299
- Science - Mr. Konig - 6237
- Social Studies - Mr. Buchanan – 6292
- Athletic Director – Mr. Merchant – 6241
- Athletic Office - Ms. Usher - 6241
- Sports Schedules – 6245

Other Important Numbers

- MS Office – Ms. Sassano - 6230
- Ms. Dayton/Ms. Avila – 6230/6231
- Nurses –Ms. O’Loughlin / Ms. Cipollina – 6225
- Attendance - 6223
- Director of Special Ed. – Ms. Augarten - 6261
- Psychologist - Dr. Samet, - 6264
- Guidance Office - Ms. Percoski - 6228
- 5/6 Guidance Counselor - Ms. Perez 6256
- 7/8 Guidance Counselor - Ms. Horowitz 6227
- Social Worker - Ms. Menendez - 6415
- Registrar - registrar@hastings.k12.ny.us

FMS NEWSLETTER – June 2009

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian:

As we prepare for the end of the year, it typically gets hectic for everyone. We have included a few brief descriptions of upcoming events.

Enjoy the summer.

See you in September!

Sincerely,

Gail Kipper

Gail Kipper



June 2009

- June 1st – 8:00p.m. – Board of Education Meeting
- June 2nd – 3:30p.m. DSEL Meeting
- June 3rd – Playland Trip - Music Dept.
- June 4th – **7:30a.m.** – 4th to 5th Gr. **Breakfast** Transition Meeting – HS Auditorium
- June 4th – 7:00p.m. – Grade 7/8 Spring Concert
- June 5th – Grade 6 Grecian Festival
- June 5th – 3:30p.m. – Superintendent’s Arts Advisory
- June 7th – 1:00p.m. – Jazz Picnic
- June 8th – 10th - Grade 4 Visits Farragut Middle School
- June 8th – 7:00p.m. – Spring Sports Awards HS Auditorium
- June 9th – 7:00p.m. – District Chamber Concert
- June 10th – 3:30p.m. – Community Leaders
- June 10th – 7:00p.m. – Broadway Review
- June 11th – **7:30a.m.** – 5th to 6th Gr. **Breakfast** Transition Meeting – HS Auditorium
- June 15th – 3:15p.m. - ARC Meeting
- June 15th – 8:00p.m. – Board of Education Meeting
- June 17th – 3:30p.m. – DSEL Meeting
- June 17th – 12:15p.m. – Earth Science Regents
- June 18th – 12:15p.m. – Living Environment Regents
- June 19th – 12:15p.m. – Integrated Algebra Regents
- June 19th – End of the 4th Marking Period
- June 19th – 7:00p.m. – Grade 8 Recognition Night
- June 22nd – 8:45a.m.- Second Language Proficiency
- June 24th – Field Day and Sports Awards
(Rain Date – June 25th)
- June 25th – 11:52a.m. Dismissal Last Day of School
- June 25th – 6:45p.m. High School Graduation

Board of Education Meetings

The Board of Education meetings will be held on June 1st and June 15th. The June 1st topic is Annual Policy Review / Code of Conduct. The June 15th topic is BLT reports / Wellness Committee (Principals' Reports).

Modified Sports Awards – June 24th

The Modified Sports Awards will be conducted on June 24th. This event provides us with the opportunity to recognize the efforts of students who have participated in sports all year.

Transition Meetings – 7:30a.m. **High School Auditorium**

4th to 5th Grade Transition Mtg. **June 4, 7:30a.m.**

All current 4th grade parents are invited to this informational **breakfast meeting**.

5th to 6th Grade Transition Mtg. **June 11, 7:30a.m.**

All current 5th grade parents are invited to this informational **breakfast meeting**.

Fall Sports

If you would like any information about our sports program you can log onto the web-site www.hastings.k12.ny.us If you have any questions please contact the Athletic Director's office on 478-6241.

Feedback Form

Each of the schools in the district is in the process of collecting information from parents/ guardians about the relative strengths and areas in need of improvement at each building.

Attached is a form, which should be returned to the middle school office if you have any thoughts or comments you would like to share. As we plan for next year we will review the comments and share them with staff. Thank you.

Sixth Grade - Grecian Festival – June 5

Parents/guardians are welcome to visit the school on this day. Please remember to sign in at the office for a pass. Thank you.

A very big Thank You to the PTSA for their generous support for this project.

Summer Letters & Grade Level/Course Outlines

With the exception of the 5th grade letters, grade level summer letters, supply lists, and course outlines will be posted on the district website. (<http://www.hastings.k12.ny.us>).

The principal's summer letter which includes your child's schedule will be mailed home mid- August.

If you have any questions regarding your child's schedule please call the guidance office on 478-6228 the last week in August.

8th Grade Recognition Party

The ceremony for the 8th graders will take place at 7:00p.m. on June 19th in the high school auditorium. This is always a delightful evening. We look forward to seeing our oldest and most mature students say goodbye and move on to the next phase of their lives.



Hastings Education Foundation Grants **PTSA – Mini-grants**

Our Art Department received a grant from the Hastings Education Foundation to purchase two new display panels for the Middle School Art wing. The Middle School has also received a \$5,000 Foundation grant, to be used for planning and as input into a master plan for the playground.

The Art Department has also received a min-grant from the PTSA for Scholastic Art magazines.

Enc: June Calendar; Testing Schedule, Feedback Form

cc: R. Shaps, W. Huppuch, D. Augarten, L. Adipietro, H. McGivney, L. Sullivan, J. Kocur, G. Foster, D. Hayes, Middle School Staff, Department Chairs



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Hilda McGivney
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FEEDBACK FORM

(Please return to Ms. Kipper by June 12th)

FOR THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR (2008- 2009)

Areas that are particularly strong:

Areas that are good, with suggestions for improvement:

Areas you feel need more improvement:

My child is in grade _____ this year.

Name: (optional) _____

June 2009

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>1</i> A2 3:30- Tech Mtg. 8:00 - BOE Mtg.	<i>2</i> B2 1:30 - Guidance Mtg.	<i>3</i> A3 3:15- Faculty Mtg. Playland Trip	<i>4</i> B3 X- Schedule 7:30a.m. - Gr. 4 to 5 Trans Mtg. 7:00p.m. - 7/8 Spring Concert	<i>5</i> A1 Gr. 6 Grecian Festival 3:30- Supt. Arts Adv.	<i>6</i>
<i>7</i> 3:00 - Jazz Picnic	<i>8</i> B1 7:00p.m. - Spring Sports Awards HS Aud	<i>9</i> A2 1:30- Guidance Mtg. 3:30- AC Mtg. 7:00p.m. District Chamber Concert	<i>10</i> B2 3:30- Community Leaders 7:00p.m. BWDY Review	<i>11</i> A3 7:30a.m.- Gr. 5 to 6 Trans. Mtg. HTA Party	<i>12</i> B3 Staff & Teacher Appr. Luncheon	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> A1 3:15- ARC Mtg. 8:00p.m.- BOE Mtg.	<i>16</i> B1 1:30- Guidance Mtg.	<i>17</i> A2 3:30- DSEL Mtg.	<i>18</i> B2 9:44-11:09 Gr. 8 Recognition Rehearsal	<i>19</i> A3 End of 4th Quarter 7:00p.m.- Recognition Night	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> B3	<i>23</i> A1 1:30- Guidance Mtg.	<i>24</i> B1 Field Day & Sports Awards	<i>25</i> A2 Last Day of School 11:52 Dismissal P.M. Staff Development 7:00p.m. - HS Graduation Rain Date Field Day/Sports Awards	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>				

June 8th to June 10th - Grade 4 Visits Farragut Middle School

Testing Dates for the 2008-09 School Year

Hillside Exams	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates	Scoring Dates
Grade 3 Language Arts	January 12 & 13	January 20 - 23	January 29
Grade 4 Language Arts	January 14, 15 & 16	January 20 - 23	January 30
Grade 3 Math	March 2 & 3	March 5 – 6 & 9 - 13	March 19
Grade 4 Math	March 4, 5 & 6	March 9 - 13	March 20
Grade 4 Science	April 27 - 29	April 30 – May 8	May 11
FMS Exams	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates	Scoring Dates
Grade 5 Social Studies	November 12 & 13	November 14, 17 & 18	November 21, 24 & 25
Grade 5 Language Arts	January 13 & 14	January 15 – 16 & 20 -23	January 26, 27 & 28
Grade 6 Language Arts	January 20, 21 & 22	January 23 & 26 - 30	February 2 - 10
Grades 7 & 8 Language Arts	January 20 & 21	January 22, 23 & 26 - 30	February 2 - 10
Grade 7 ELA Field Test	January 26 & 27	N/A	N/A
FMS Exams	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates	Scoring Dates
Grade 5 Math	March 3 & 4	March 5 – 6 & 9 - 13	March 16, 17 & 18
Grades 6, 7 & 8 Math	March 10 & 11	March 12 – 13 & 16 - 20	March 23 - 30
Grade 8 Science Performance	April 21	April 22 - May 8	May 13, 14 & 15
Grade 8 Science Written	April 29	April 30 – May 8	May 13, 14 & 15
Grade 8 Social Studies	June 2 & 3	June 4 - 9	June 10, 11 & 12
Integrated Algebra Regents*	June	June 19 at 12:15	June
Earth Science Regents*	June	June 17 at 12:15	June
Second Language Proficiency*	June	June 22 at 8:45	June
Living Environment Regent*	June	June 18 at 12:15	June
District Exams	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates	Scoring Dates
NYSESLAT (ESL)	May 5 - 15	May 5 - 15	May 18 & 19
NYSESLAT Speaking	April 20 – May 15	April 21 – May 15	May 18 & 19

*The Regents Exam dates are subject to change!