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From the Dean of School



Happy Friday!

We are quickly approaching the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Next week is a full week with finals on Tuesday through Friday. On Friday afternoon, we have our annual End-of-Year Convocation Assembly.

As we approach the end of the school year, we also anticipate the start of a new one. Within this newsletter is important information about this year and next year too!

Thank you for all your support!

Sincerely,
Maureen Mooney
Dean of School

School News

Teacher of the Month

“This teacher has a lab/hound mix that was rescued from Alabama. She loves reading, making jewelry, and gardening. This teacher loves her job because of her students. She told me directly that she would not love her job as much without her students. She loves teaching that reading can be fun and she loves to teach students important lessons needed for life. This teacher is nice and fun and fair. I am pleased to announce that the next teacher of the month is [Mrs. Goodrich-Bundy](#).”
~Isabella C.



Introducing the 2017-2018 School Calendar

The school calendar for 2017-2018 is online at this link.

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar/2017_-_18_school_year_calendar/

Bell Schedule for 2017-2018 School Year

The Bell Schedule for 2017-2018 has been finalized. Please know that the school day will **begin at 7:45AM and end at 3:10PM.** Morning drop off will begin at 7:25AM.

COMING SOON: The link to the 2017-2018 bell schedule will be located here:

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/students/student_life/daily_bell_schedule

From the Music Department

On Saturday, May 13th, nine students from The Founders Academy participated in the NHMEA Middle School District Honors Music Festival at Nashua South High School. These students received their music at the end of March and met for only one day of rehearsals before performing at their concerts. The following students proudly represented our school at this festival:

Edna N. - Chorus

Madeline B. - Chorus

Christopher S. - Viola

Emily B. - Violin

Brenna M. - Flute

Sarah F. - Alto Saxophone

Julian H. - Alto Saxophone

Dante P. - Trombone

Sophia B. - Percussion

~Greg McKenzie

Fine Arts Department Chair



Great East Festival

On Friday, May 26th, the Level 2 Band, Level 2 Chorus, Level 3 Band, and Level 3 Chorus participated in the Great East Festival. Altogether, the groups earned one Silver and three Gold Medals at this adjudicated festival. The students were then able to enjoy an afternoon and evening at Canobie Lake Park.

~Greg McKenzie
Fine Arts Department Chair

Picturing America

A huge thank you to the donor who contributed 20 beautiful posters of famous American paintings and art. Students will be able to take a closer critical look at works such as "The midnight Ride of Paul Revere" by Grant Wood, "Allies Day" by Childe Hassam, "Paul Revere" by John Singleton Copley, and many more and reflect on the history and beauty of each piece. Students and faculty alike are very thankful to have such inspiring art around us at the school. For more information on these portraits, go to:

<https://picturingamerica.neh.gov/>



Rene Gagnon Plaque at Founders!

Thank you to Ray Pinard, grandfather of student Isaac N., for his recent donation of a Rene A. Gagnon Iwo Jima Plaque from the Canadian American Association. Mr. Gagnon resides in Manchester and is one of the Marines portrayed in the famous "Marine Corps War Memorial" near Rosslyn Virginia. Founders is proud to host this distinguished plaque! You can view it in the front foyer.



A Message From Mr. Waterbury

Dear members of The Founders Academy community:

My family is relocating to Montana for family reasons. It has been an absolute honor being a part of this school community. I will deeply miss the wonderful atmosphere of collegiality, mutual respect, and professionalism that marks The Founders Academy. I offer my best wishes to all my colleagues, students, and parents. Go Founders Falcons!

Sincerely,
Damian Waterbury

Summer Assignments 2017

Summer assignments 2017 are now uploading on the web site. Please review at this page:
<http://thefoundersacademy.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=1207671&pageId=25499830>

GoFundMe Chromebook Fundraiser

Ms. Marcotte, head of the Technology Department, has set up a GoFundMe page so that we can raise money to get each teacher at Founders a Chromebook. To quote the page: "By acquiring Chromebooks, teachers will be able to engage in collaborative projects with students and access digital content in all academic areas. At the present point, our staff are not provided with devices to conduct their classes. With our students mostly working on Chromebooks, those staff that bring personal devices from home aren't all modeling on Chromebook device. As a result, this can create confusion in the learning process where students are working with a device that has different capabilities or the interface doesn't look the same from that of the instructor."

Click the link below to help us reach our goal! Thank you!

<https://www.gofundme.com/FoundersAcademyTechnology>

Events

Barnes & Noble Book Fair - June 2 (with vouchers)

Start your summer reading list shopping at The Founders Academy Barnes & Noble Book Fair, **Friday, June 2, 2017**. Shop either at the Manchester Barnes and Noble Store (1741 South Willow Street, Manchester) or online at BarnesandNoble.com. Please tell them you are a part of The Founders Academy Book Fair. A percentage of the net proceeds will be donated to Founders. At checkout please give the cashier The Founders Academy code 12143681.



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Thank you.

Outreach Happenings and Outcomes

New DonorsChoose for Technology

Hi Friends,

I want to make sure my students have the materials they need to succeed, so I just created a DonorsChoose.org classroom project request. Click the link below to see what my students and I are up to:

[There's an App for That and a Student Made It](#)

Early contributions are critical, and any amount helps. Thank you so much for taking a look and considering a donation. I am so excited to bring this project to life!

With gratitude,
Ms. Marcotte

P.S. If you know anyone who may want to show their support for public schools, please pass this along.

New DonorsChoose for Science

From Ms. Griffin:

"My students need electronic balances and weighing paper to accurately measure supplies and solid chemicals within the laboratory."

[It's a Balancing Act](#)

Thank you!

Other News

"Most Needed" Items at Founders

Founders heavily relies on contributions and donations. As of now, the most needed items include:

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|--------------------------|---|
| - Scotch Tape | - Paper towels |
| - Band-aids of all sizes | - lunches and snacks for the food pantry* |
| - White-out | - tissues* |
| - Disinfectant Wipes | - disinfectant wipes |
| - medical tape | - plastic spoons/forks |
| - Copy Paper* | - disinfectant/cleaning solution |

Please continue to monitor this web page of items too!:

<http://thefoundersacademy.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=1207671&pageId=13492624>

Items can be dropped off at the school or call in advance at 603.952.4705.

Thank you very much!

School Calendar

Regularly check the school calendar online link: <http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/calendar>

NOTE: Dates are continuously added and possibly changed throughout the year. Please check the online school calendar regularly.



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