



To MNHS Families,

Last week students in the Environmental club celebrated National Bird Day. National Bird Day was created in 2002 to promote Avian Awareness. Birds are crucial as they serve to detect environmental issues by acting as living barometers. Student participants encouraged all to hang a bird feeder to support Avian Awareness.

On Tuesday, January 10th, students who ordered class rings from the Class of 2024 will receive them during the traditional ring ceremony. Parents have an important task during the ceremony to honor their children. Class rings have been a tradition since 1996 in the Marple Newtown School District. The ring is a tangible symbol of the success of our students and families as well as a milestone in the life of every student. We look forward to our ring ceremony this week.

Curriculum night is being moved to a later date. We will send out communication about the new date and time as soon as possible.

Mid-term exams are quickly approaching. The dates and subjects administering exams are listed under important dates. We remind students to meet with their teachers and attend extra help sessions to obtain further assistance with their academics. Each exam will contribute 10% to the final grade for the course which is identical to their pre-pandemic weight.

Important Dates:

- 1/10/23 – Class Ring Ceremony
- 1/13/23 – ½ Day for Students
- 1/16/23 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday – A Day of Service
- 1/18/23 – 1/19/23 - English & Math Mid-term Exams
- 1/20/23 – 1/23/23 - Social Studies & Science Mid-term Exams
- 1/24/23 – 1/25/23 - World Language Mid-term Exams
- 1/26/23 – 1/27/23 - Make-up Exams
- 1/27/23 – Marking Period 2 ends

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District:

The Marple Newtown Board of School Directors will meet on Tuesday, January 10th for Committee Meetings held in the Board Room of the Administration Building. The public is encouraged to attend.

- Budget and Finance - 6:30 pm
- Facilities and Transportation - Immediately following Budget and Finance
- Curriculum and Instruction - Immediately following Facilities and Transportation

Paxon Hollow Middle School:

We are excited to share that we are beginning the transition program for the incoming 6th-grade class for the 23-24 school year. The administrative team at PHMS will begin the transition program by visiting each elementary school to talk to fifth-grade students about everything that they have to look forward to as they begin their middle school journey. The visits will take place during the first two weeks of February. Fifth-grade parents can expect a transition guide in early March.

Elementary Schools:

We were happy to see our students back this past week, and we hope you had some relaxing and fun times during Winter Break! For planning purposes, please note this Friday, January 13 is a ½ day for students, with a noon dismissal. There is no school for students and staff on Monday, January 16 in honor of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.