

October 2021

# FALCON FOCUS NEWSLETTER



## From the Principal

### Growth Mindset Quote of the Month

*Nothing will work unless you do.* (John Wooden)

Dear Forest Avenue Families,

Now that it is October, it is wonderful to see how our students and staff have settled into the routines of the new school year. As everyone readjusts to in-person learning during a pandemic, what a pleasure it is to see students in the classroom engaged in academics, roaming the hallways, eating in the cafeteria, and playing together at recess. With an ever-increased emphasis on safety and wellness, our building is a buzz with excitement and learning.

I hope that everyone had an opportunity to participate in our Virtual Open House by viewing the teacher and staff videos that were available on our website. Our teachers worked hard to create their videos and I was very impressed with the finished products. During the month of October, we have lots of exciting activities and events planned for our students including Walk & Bike to School Day, School Picture Day, the Home & School Pumpkin Parade, and the launching of our first Leaves of Citizenship Character Trait – Fairness.

Towards the end of the month, we will also be kicking off the Forest Avenue Fun Run, our Home & School Associations biggest fundraiser of the school year. The Fun Run incorporates a character education program, which introduces social emotional learning through live presentations and videos, and culminates with a school-wide fundraiser where students have the chance to run laps with their classmates. Our goal for this event is to raise \$20,000 for the Home and School Budget. With the proceeds from previous Fun Runs we have enhance our school community through the purchase of our audiovisual system in the cafeteria, our amazing school playground, and our newly renovated school library. The big event will be held outdoors on Friday, November 5th and all students, regardless of whether or not they choose to fundraise, will be participating in this event. Parents and family members are also welcome to join us to cheer on our student runners.

I hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable fall season!

Sincerely, David Champigny  
Principal, Forest Avenue School



# From the Health Office

October



International walk/bike to school day was a huge success. It was so nice to see everyone getting some early morning fresh air. Thanks to all who participated!

Please remember to bring in doctor's orders for inhalers and epipens along with the supplies to the health office as soon as possible for those students that require them at school. **For students on daily medication, per Hudson Public School policy the medication needs to be brought in by a parent or guardian** along with the doctor's order. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

If any child needs a backpack, please contact our office for assistance. In addition, a program that can help families going through food insecurities is also available. Please contact our office for more information regarding this.

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## Congratulations to Our Staff!

Congratulations to the following Forest Avenue staff members who have achieved professional status here in Hudson. We are proud to have them as members of our school community. Kristina Manougain (Grade 2 Classroom Teacher), Kaeleigh Hawes (Grade 3 Classroom Teacher), Samantha Holmgren (School Psychologist), Catherine Joyce (Math Specialist), and Catherine Schoop (ELL Teacher).

## September Star Students @ Forest Avenue School



Each month we recognize the Star Student of the Month. Being selected as a Star Student means that the student has demonstrated an outstanding effort and done a fabulous job here at Forest Avenue School. Star students are given a certificate of achievement and their picture is displayed on our Star Student Bulletin Board which is located in the main hallway next to the Nurse's Office.

Congratulations to our September Star Students: Wyatt DeCesare, Nathan Knudson, Jack Bechtel, Nicholas Lopes, Isaiah Kasenge, Allana Delima, Eleanor McLaughlin, Nora McLaughlin, Mason Campbell, Olivia Lindblad, Lucas Marotta, Olivia Lyons, Patrick Hannon, Daniel Shepherd, and Victoria Amorim. Way to go!

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## Hudson Night with the Worcester Railers on November 20th - Discount Tickets!



The Worcester Railers, an East Coast Hockey League (ECHL) team that plays in Worcester, will be hosting the Hudson Public Schools on **Saturday, November 20th at 7:00 pm**. The team has some fun things planned for our students and families. Tickets for the game are being sold at a big discount to all Hudson students, families, and staff. To purchase tickets visit [www.railershc.com/hudson](http://www.railershc.com/hudson). When you make your purchase, you get a link to send to other families and friends so that you can all sit together.

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## October Calendar

10/08	No School - Teacher In-Service Day
10/11	No School - Columbus Day
10/13	School Picture Day
10/15	Freaky Friday - Crazy Hair Day
10/18	October Birthday Lunch
10/20	Parent Listening Session @ Hudson High School, 6:00pm
10/21	Restaurant Night: TAKE OUT @ Applebees 4:00pm - 9:00pm
10/22	Home & School Drive-Through Pumpkin Parade @ 6:00pm
10/27	Booster-thon Fun Run Kick-Off
10/28	Virtual Home & School Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.



**Twitter**

Are you looking to stay up to date on all that is happening here at Forest Avenue School? Then why not follow us on Twitter at **HPSForestAve**.

# From the Home & School

## Virtual Home & School meeting — Thursday 10/28 @ 6:30pm, Google Meet

Forest Avenue School will be holding its next virtual Home & School Meeting on Thursday, October 28th starting at 6:30pm. The meeting will take place via Google Meet. **Parents who wish to join the meeting must email Mr. Champigny by noon on Monday the 25th sending him their name and email address. His email address is dchapingy@hudson.k12.ma.us.** The invitation to join the meeting will be sent approximately 5 minutes before the meeting, so please make sure we have the correct information for you.

We hope to see you then!



## October Restaurant Night: Order take-out from Applebee's! Thursday 10/21 4pm-9pm

Are you tired of cooking? Take out with curbside pick-up and enjoy a night off to benefit the school! Please mention Forest Ave Home & School to receive credit for your order.

## 2nd Annual Drive-Through Pumpkin Parade!

Join us on **Friday, October 22nd from 6pm-7pm** for some spooky drive by fun! All families are encouraged to decorate their car and children can come dressed in their Halloween best.

Families will enter from Woodrow Street ONLY and drive through the Woodrow parking lot toward the back of the school, proceeding along the back of the school. All will exit the parking lot via Forest Ave. Students and families will remain in their cars during the parade so we can practice social distancing.



## Booster-thon Fun Run is coming: October 27, 2021 - November 5, 2021!



The Fun Run incorporates a two-week character program that introduces social emotional learning through live presentation and videos. The highlight of the program is the Fun Day event! Our goal this year is to raise \$20,000 for the Home & School budget to support your students and teachers!

We are also looking for action shots of your child playing one of their favorite sports to use to decorate the school as part of the Fun Run. If you have pictures to share, please send them to forestavehsa@gmail.com by 10/15!