Monday Memo
"Special Tuesday Edition"
January 3, 2023

Note from Head of School

Dear Rising Tide Students and Families,

Happy New Year! I hope that you and your families had a holiday season filled with time with family and friends.

With the start of 2023, our students and teachers are in the final weeks of the first semester of the school year. This is a great opportunity for students to approach their exploration in school with renewed curiosity and intention in the work they produce to demonstrate their developing skills.

We hope to see many of you at our Winter Arts Show, featuring the creative work of students in grades 5-12, on the evening of January 18.

Have a wonderful week.

Sincerely,

Michael O'Keefe
Head of School

Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 5: The Rising Tide Parent Group will hold its next meeting at 6:30 pm. This meeting will be held in Room 190 at Rising Tide and also virtually.

Friday, January 6: Rising Tide will welcome recent graduates back to school for several alumni panels for current students during Advisory.

Tuesday, January 10: Rising Tide's SEPAC will hold a virtual, informal get-together for parents/caregivers only of students on IEPs and 504 Plans at 7:00 pm.

Monday, January 16: School will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Tuesday, January 17: There will be a virtual information session at 7:00 p.m. for Middle School families to learn about Title I targeted support at the Middle School.
Wednesday, January 18: Rising Tide will host a Winter Arts Show featuring the creative work and performances of students in grades 5-12, will take place from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at Rising Tide.

Thursday, January 19: There will be a virtual information session at 7:00 p.m. for Upper School families to learn more about Title I targeted support at the Upper School.

Saturday, January 21: Rising Tide will host an Enrollment Open House for prospective students and their families interested in applying to Rising Tide for the 2023-2024 school year. The Open House will begin at 9:00 am in the School’s Atrium.

2022-2023 Academic Calendar for Families

Announcements

Communications for School Closings Due to Inclement Weather
In the event that school must be canceled or delayed because of snow, unusual weather conditions, or emergency circumstances, Rising Tide families will receive an email, a telephone call, and a text message. Additionally, announcements will be listed on WCVBTV 5, WHDHTV 7, WBZ, Channel 4, and FOX 25 television stations and websites. An announcement will also be posted on the Rising Tide homepage. Rising Tide can call school autonomously from the Plymouth Public School District, which means that if Plymouth Public Schools are closed, it does not necessarily mean Rising Tide will be closed.

Attend Rising Tide’s Parent Group Meeting--
This Thursday at 6:30 PM
The next meeting of the Parent Group will be held this Thursday, January 5, at 6:30 pm - join in person at school in Room 190 or ‘zoom’ in from home via this link. We’ll get updates on recent projects and plan for upcoming activities for 2023. After the meeting, we’ll convene for a social hour at Alden Park in Colony Place. Please join us to strengthen these community ties!

Specific information for those attending virtually (in case link above doesn’t work for you):
Go to Zoom.us and click Join
Meeting ID: 820 9267 0850
Passcode: 160628
Or dial in 646.931.3860

SEPAC to Host Virtual Get-Together
The Rising Tide Special Education Parent Advisory Council (RT-SEPAC) will be holding a virtual, informal get-together for parents/caregivers only of students on IEPs and 504 Plans on Tuesday, January 10, at 7:00 pm. Please come and say hello, ask questions, share experiences, make connections. Join us via the Zoom link here.

Thank You for Helping to Support Our Local Community
The Holiday Coat Drive, sponsored by the Middle School Student Leaders (in collaboration with the Rotary Club), collected 37 coats, nine hooded sweatshirts, along with hats, scarves, and gloves for those in need in our community.

The Toy Drive, sponsored by the Service Learning Club, donated numerous toys to the Plymouth Area Coalition for the Homeless.

Thank you to all who donated to either cause. We couldn’t do this without your support! All items were well received from both organizations. Your donations make a huge
Athletic Updates

Athletic Games This Week

**Thursday, January 5**
Girls Middle School Basketball vs. Falmouth Academy at 4:00 pm
Location: Village Sports Club

Girls Varsity Basketball @ Mt. Alvernia at 5:00 pm
Location: Mt. Alvernia

Middle School Boys Basketball @ Derby Academy at 3:45 pm
Location: Derby Academy

Recent Happenings At Rising Tide

**Internship Bingo**
Before the winter break, students doing internships learned about each other’s experiences through Internship Bingo.

**Energy Expert Explains the Evolving Power Grid**
Energy industry thought leader, Peter Kelly-Detwiler, visited upper school students before break to talk about climate, technology, the power grid, reasons for hope, and future career possibilities.

**Middle School Talent Show**
On the Friday before break, the tradition of our Middle School Talent Show continued in the Atrium.
Quick Links and Contacts

**Breakfast and Lunch at Rising Tide:** The state government has extended the eligibility for all students in our breakfast/lunch program for the 2022-2023 school year. This means that all Rising Tide students have access to one free breakfast meal and one free lunch meal each school day. Please note that students still need to walk through the cashier lines for recording purposes and will need their PIN numbers (located on the upper right hand side of their schedules) in order to do so. Rising Tide's breakfast and lunch program is catered by the Plymouth Public Schools. Check out January's lunch menu [here](#).

**Attendance Line:** Call (508) 747-2620, ext. 102 to report your child's absence from school.

Complete a [Notes from Home to Rising Tide Office Form](#) to share daily communication with our office staff at Rising Tide, including dismissal information.

**Health and COVID-19 Questions:** Contact Nurse Leader, Lisa Hughes, at [lhughes@risingtide.org](mailto:lhughes@risingtide.org). You can also call (508) 747-2620 x115.

**IT Help:** Complete the [IT Help Desk Form](#).

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