



January 28, 2022

Dear Marston Families,

Happy February! We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our parents, students, and staff for the incredible time, effort, and energy that goes into making each day a healthy, safe, and engaging learning experience. Thank you for all that you do for our students and school community, it is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed!

Progress reports will be issued this month, as we approach the middle of the school year, and the middle of the trimester. These reports are issued to any student not working up to his/her potential. All Marston School staff set high expectations for student achievement, as well as safe and non-disruptive student behavior in all aspects of each student's program at this school. Parents are encouraged to contact their child's teacher to maintain close communication about individual progress. Conferences can be scheduled at any time by calling the main office at 926-8708 between 7:30 AM and 4:00 PM and leaving a message for your child's teacher.

This month our students will participate in a number of Warm Spirit Days as well our annual Penny Drive. The Warm Spirit Days are being selected by our fifth-grade classes and will take place on Fridays during the months of February and March. Our Penny Drive will begin on January 31 and run until February 25, 2022. We are asking students to donate spare change to benefit local charitable organizations right here in Hampton. This is just one of the ways that we try to give back to the community and show Hampton our Marston Pride!

During these winter weather months, we would like to remind everyone that it is extremely important for the safety of our students that all parents follow the flow of traffic during drop off and pick-up times. The safety of everyone is contingent upon all of us working cooperatively and following the traffic pattern. Please use extra care and caution when traveling down Marston Way especially near the crosswalk and "drop off" areas. Snow, ice, and **speed** are elements that create a potentially dangerous situation in a congested area. Please note, **students may NOT arrive prior to 8:20 AM** due to the safety and supervision of students.

As a reminder, it is important that children dress appropriately during cold winter months. We do go outside if the temperature is 20 degrees or higher. Family child-care plans must be updated in the event of an unanticipated early dismissal during the winter weather months. We need a current plan on file so that our staff knows where each student should go in the event of an unanticipated early dismissal. If your phone number has changed since the beginning of the year, we ask that you please contact the school immediately so that we may update your child's emergency contact information.

This year the Hampton School District will hold a deliberative session on Tuesday, February 7 at Hampton Academy beginning at 7:00 PM. Parents and community members may view the proposed budget and warrant articles on the SAU web site at <a href="www.sau90.org">www.sau90.org</a>. This information is posted at all Hampton Schools and will be on the ballot on March 8 for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Nathan Saldler

Mr. Nathan Saddler, Principal

Mrs. Kathleen Hoppa, Assistant Principal

## **Upcoming Events**

January 31	Penny Drive Begins	February 7-11	School Counselor Week
February 1	G4, NAEP Testing, 9:00-11:00/12:55-2:45	February 8	School Board, HA Café, 6:00
February 2	Early Release, 12:00	February 15	PTA Meeting, HA, 7:00
February 4	T2 Progress Reports Out	Feb 28-March 4	No School – Winter Break