

10-1-17

Dear Silver Hill Families,

Happy October! Hope you enjoyed this perfect fall day.

This week teachers will be involved in professional development called Data Days. Each day one grade level will have substitutes for the day to have time to meet with our reading specialists, math coach, special education teachers, English Language Learners teacher, and administration to review each student's data. This includes end of last school year assessments and the results of last week's new assessment tool, Renaissance STAR. See our website for more information on Renaissance. <http://silverhill.haverhill-ps.org> When the MCAS data is released for grades 3-5, we will also include this in our student analysis. Data Days happen four times a year, at the beginning of the year, and at the end of each trimester, December, March, and May. This allows teachers and interventionists to carefully monitor the progress of every child to make sure they are on track to meet their student growth goal. Teachers and specialists then develop a plan for each student including strategies for guided reading with the classroom teacher, intervention, enrichment, special education and/or ELL services. The following is the schedule for substitutes this week:

Monday, 10/2 – Grade 3

Tuesday – 10/3 – Grade 2

Wednesday 10/4 – Grade 1

Thursday – 10/5 – Kindergarten

Just a reminder that Friday, October 6 is an Early Release Day for teachers to continue professional development using the Renaissance assessment tool. Kindergarten Early Birds will be dismissed at 11:15. Depending on the time that the buses come in, the rest of the school will be dismissed starting around 11:25. There is no school next Monday, October 9, in observance of Columbus Day.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Walk for Peace. The rainy weather didn't stop the walkers and the fun after! Photos coming soon to our web site.

PTO meets tomorrow night, Monday 10-2 at 6:00, and the Board of Trustees meet Tuesday, October 3 at 5:30.

Have a great week and a fun long weekend!

Margaret

Planning Ahead:

10-12 – PTO Corn Maze 5:00-8:00

10-17 – X-country meet, Grades 4-5, 4:00

10-19 – ROARS Respect Assembly K-5

10-20 – Kindergarten Firefighter Field Trip 12:15-2:00

10-23 – Absentee Picture Day

10-24 – Grade 3 – Matt Noyes Weather Warrior