



Students in Head of School John Packard's and teacher John Fahey's Complexity of War Winter Term class traveled to Washington, D.C. early Wednesday.

A Snapshot of Winter Term

During Winter Term, every day is filled with unique educational opportunities on and off campus. On Monday, more than 200 community members were on the road in locations including Boston, New York City and North Conway, N.H. Click [here](#) to view a summary of how our classes spent the day.

Student Activities This Weekend

Click [here](#) for the schedule that includes a hypnotist (seriously!) and a Patriots party.

All-School Speaker: Saturday, Jan. 14

Brooks will gather in the Chapel at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 14 to hear from journalist Peter Rubin, who will speak on our All-School Read, *Ready Player One*. Rubin will discuss the technological aspects of the book as it relates to his specialty, virtual reality. He will also elaborate on the current landscape and future of virtual reality.

As a senior editor at *Wired*, where he oversees arts & entertainment, Rubin also covers virtual reality. He wrote the magazine's 2014 cover story on Oculus and is working on a book -- about what virtual reality means for interpersonal relationships -- to be published by Harper One in 2018.

This is a required event for students.

Save The Date

All Brooks students are invited to attend Phillips Academy's annual [Summer Opportunities Fair](#) on Jan. 22 from 12 - 3 p.m. in the Smith Center on Phillips' campus in Andover. Representatives from 100 local, national and international [programs](#) will be available to talk with interested students. Van service to the event will be offered, details to follow. Contact Dean of College Counseling Andy Campbell with any questions: acampbell@brooksschool.org

Inclement Weather Policy

Since the majority of students are boarding students, the school does not normally suspend classes or activities during snowstorms or other extreme weather conditions. Day student families are asked to make their own decisions about the safety of travel and to notify the Deans' Office in case of absence due to weather. Day students are also welcome to stay on campus during snow storms.

See You at the Winter Term Symposium

Join us Jan. 20 to see what everyone has been working on! Siblings are welcome.

- **7 - 8:30 p.m. in the Classroom Building and Science Building:** Come watch class presentations, explore the Winter Term curriculum (click [here](#) for the course catalog) and talk to students and teachers. Siblings are welcome.
 - **8 - 9 p.m. Parent Reception in the Lehman Art Gallery:** Speak with faculty and mingle with fellow parents. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and refreshments will be served.
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Winter Term Holiday

Saturday January 21 (after student's last commitment) until Monday, January 23. Boarders return by 8:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 27: Fifth-Form Parent Reception
- Jan. 28: Fifth-Form Family [College Counseling Program](#)
- Feb. 2: Boston College Club reception for parents and alumni
- Feb. 14: Parents Committee's Treats for your Sweets
- Feb. 16-17: Winter Musical

School Store Update

The school store is restocking! Our popular rugby shirts have just arrived, as well as a men's quarter-zip performance shirt and Nike men's shorts. Have a student with a winter birthday? Don't forget about our [Gifts From Home Program](#).
