



Students got a kick out of watching their classmates' videos during all-school meeting this morning in Wilder Dining Hall. Spot anyone familiar?



Pulling for Brooks Together

We'd like to thank and introduce our team that is pulling together to help us achieve our *Brooks Together* parent participation goal of 82 percent. A hardy round of applause for:

Third-Form:

Sean Riley, co-chair
Maureen and Thomas Scott
Marcy Barker and Michael Morrill

Fourth-Form:

Kristen and John Sheehan
Gwen Spencer

Sheila Serrao
Greg Flemming and Laura Kaye
Kate O'Reilly

Fifth-Form:

Andrew and Chrissy Chaban
Elizabeth Earley
Ann Copeland Rose
Geoff Fulgione
John and Amy Wilson

Sixth-Form:

Julie and Jeff Clements, co-chair
Karl Arakelian
Helena Choy
Jenna Baker

If you have made your *Brooks Together* gift, thank you! If not, please take a phone call, or read your email, from these dedicated volunteers when they reach out. If you'd like to make your gift today, click [here](#).

Football Parents: Reminder About Saturday

Boys football is playing a game at St. George's School tomorrow, but will not be playing on the field at the school. Instead, the game will be played on Toppa Field at Freebody Park, located on Freebody Street in Newport, RI.

Student Activities This Weekend

Check out the full schedule [here](#). Highlights include the Paint Dance, Topsfield Fair outing and "Cookies and Canvas" paint night.

CWRA Testing Will Be on Tuesday

On the evening of Oct. 10, a random sample of third-form students (day and boarding) is expected to take the College Work and Readiness Assessment (CWRA). Associate Head for Academic Affairs Lance Latham has notified the students involved. Students should meet at the Luce Library at 6:50 pm. Testing will be complete by 9 p.m. The CWRA measures problem-solving and critical thinking skills - skills that the school is interested in developing. Students are not expected to prepare for the CWRA, which is conducted entirely online with school computers. Contact [Lance Latham](#) with any questions.

Special Schedule Reminder

On Oct. 10 and 11, students will be participating in required grade-level activities.

Oct. 10:

- Third-Form: Required CWRA testing from 6:50 to 9:00 p.m.
- Fourth-Form: Required FCD presentation from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- All Students: 9 p.m. check-in for boarders; departure for day students

Oct. 11:

- Third-Form: Anti-harassment/bullying/hazing workshop & FCD presentation from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the dining hall
- Fourth-Form: PSAT's. Students should be in the Athletic Center main lobby by 8:15 a.m.
- Fifth-Form: PSAT's. Students should be in the Athletic Center main lobby by 8:15 am.
- Sixth-Form: College Workshop at 8:30 a.m. in the Science Forum

Substance Abuse Prevention Workshop Update

As part of our health education program, we are, once again, hosting prevention specialists from [FCD Prevention Works](#) to visit our community. FCD, a part of the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, is a non-profit organization that provides alcohol, tobacco, and other drug education to schools and colleges worldwide. This week and next, our FCD educator, Corinne Brisbois, will be teaching the fourth-form in their Self in Community classes. Throughout her time on campus, she will also meet with the third-, fifth- and sixth-forms, as well as speak to the whole school in Chapel on Oct. 12.

Flu Shot Update

The flu clinics were a success! So far, we have vaccinated 188 of the 288 students who have signed up to receive the flu shot. At this point, the Health and Wellness Center will administer vaccines on an appointment basis. If you would like your child to receive a shot and they have not gotten one yet, please have them schedule an appointment at the center.

See You Soon at Parents Weekend!

The countdown is on for [Parents Weekend](#), Oct. 19-21. Click to view the full schedule for the [Oct. 20 Parents Summit](#). Please note: Director of Diversity Initiatives Shaunielle McDonald '94, P'19 invites parents and guests to join in a conversation about ongoing programming on campus during the Diversity Leadership Breakfast on Oct. 21 at 7:15 a.m. in the Frick Dining Hall.

At the breakfast, you will gain insight into how Self in Community classes, Community Conversations and more deepen cultural competency and empathy - and how your Brooksonian can get involved. Members of the Diversity Leadership Council will also be on hand to support the discussion.

Going to Miss an Afternoon Activity?

Please remember, if your child is going to miss an afternoon-activity commitment (sport, activity, art or community service), the student must follow the same process as they would if missing an academic commitment.

- If the absence is for medical reasons, please contact the Health and Wellness Center to let them know the time that your student will be leaving campus for his or her appointment.
- If the absence is for any other reason, the student must complete an Elective Absence Form obtained from the Dean's Office and return it to

the Deans at least 24 hours prior to the absence. Questions?
Contact [Vicky Matheson](#).

New Art Exhibit at the Lehman

Artist Gordon D. Chase's exhibit entitled "The Insanity of Violence" opens at the Lehman Art Center on Oct. 9 and will be on display through Nov. 17. The opening reception will be on Oct. 12 from 7-9 p.m. Please join us!

Parents Committee's Ghostly Goodies

Like baking? On Oct. 31, we treat our students, teachers and staff to Halloween treats. We're in need of volunteers who can bake or buy a goodie and drop it off. Please contact [Claudia Kluchnik](#) if you're interested in contributing.

There will also be raffle baskets. Would you like to help with these? If you are a boarding parent, or you can't come in person, you can still contribute! Gift cards (Target, local restaurants, etc.) are wonderful and much appreciated. Contact [Tara O'Shea](#) for anything related to the baskets. Thank you!

We Need Your Treats!

We also need your help in baking or bringing goodies for our Game Day Hospitality tent on Oct. 14 for Homecoming Weekend, as well as on Oct. 21 during Parents Weekend. Please email Parent and Alumni Assistant [Nicole Jackson](#) to contribute.

Upcoming Parent Events

Oct. 12: Gordon D. Chase's exhibit opening at the Lehman Art Center

Oct. 14: Homecoming and Hospitality Tent

Oct. 19: Third- and Fourth-Form Parent Reception

Oct. 20-21: Parents Weekend

Oct. 21: Game Day and Hospitality Tent

Nov. 8-10: Fall play "Radium Girls" will be performed on campus

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