

Holland Hill Update

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Happy Holidays!

Dear Holland Hill Families,

Season's Greetings everyone! The countdown is on to the Holiday Break, and the children are all abuzz with excitement for the holidays and vacation plans. It is so fun to see them this way!

On Wednesday, you will be able to access your child's **Progress Report** via Infinite Campus. If you want even more information, here is a link to the Fairfield Public Schools' website.

<http://fairfieldschools.org/curriculum-instruction/progress-reports/>

Progress report grades are based closely on assessments, both formal and informal, and are also measured against rubrics specific to each grade level and subject area. **If you see areas not graded, that is because the concept is not introduced in the curriculum at this time.** If you have more questions, please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

As you know, we are all very excited for the **All**

School Sing Along on December 22nd at 9:30 am.

This is an early dismissal day (yippee!), and we are going back to a whole school sing along, rather than splitting into two groups. This means there will be **less seating**, so please be prepared for that! Many parents have approached me or written to me to say how happy they are to go back to one Sing Along, so I know this will be a wonderful event for all who can attend.

Please remember that it is NOT a concert, but is truly an opportunity to come together as a community and celebrate the holiday season. **The gym doors will open at 9 am!**

I hope that all of you enjoy some time with friends and family. Happy Holidays and see you in 2018!

Warmly,

Molly Farrell

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 12/20	Progress Reports Issued on IC at 4pm
Friday 12/22	Sing A Long 9:30 am
Friday 12/22	Early Dismissal 12:55
Tuesday 1/2	School resumes
Thurs 1/4	PTA Meeting; LLC 7:00
Thursday 1/11	Math Night 6:00- 7:45
Friday 1/12	Town Meeting & School Spirit
Monday 1/15	No School- MLK Jr. Day

Staff News

Congratulations to **Chris Sideris**, our night custodian, on his recent engagement to his fiancée Stephanie!

Welcome back to **Kayla O'Donnell** who is returning from her maternity leave on January 2nd! Thank you to **Miss Belko** for doing such a wonderful job in Mrs. O'Donnell's absence! I also want to wish **Mrs. White** well as she begins her maternity leave and we await the arrival of her daughter!

HH Construction Update



At the Board of Education meeting on December 12, we received our official stamp of approval to move forward with funding for our construction project. Thank you to the Board of Education for voting for a wonderful future for the students of Holland Hill!

Sneakers for PE!

Please do your best to remember to provide your child with sneakers on the days when he/she has PE! FPS prevents students from participating in PE when they do not have sneakers. This is for your child's safety, but enforcing it can lead to tears sometimes! Please help us to avoid that by remembering the PE schedule!

As I mentioned in my last newsletter, the portables in the back will be moved over the vacation. When we return, you will see them in the front of the school, right next to the two white portables housing 5S and 5M. In order to make room for them, a pine tree did need to be removed. The town has committed to replanting new trees for all that are removed due to construction. The new plantings will take place once construction is completed.

The relocated portables will be ready for occupancy again on January 4, and they will remain in their new location until the construction project is finished.

Right now, it still looks like our official start date for the actual construction is March 22! Much more information will follow as that date gets closer! It is an exciting time for Holland Hill!

