



## LUTHER BURBANK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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### BURBANK BULLETIN

May 30, 2017

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last Thursday we held our annual Memorial Day assembly in which we remembered all those service men and women who sacrificed their lives on behalf of our nation. The assembly featured our middle school concert band and chorus, as well as 8<sup>th</sup> grade student speakers who shared meaningful poems and essays, including Abraham Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address." Most importantly, we were honored to have local Lancaster veterans join our Memorial Day assembly and participate in our remembrance exercises.

Last Friday, our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade band represented our school at the New England Great East Music Festival. The Great East Festival experience provides students with a formative evaluation of their performance as well as a comprehensive clinic to further their skills. We are thrilled to announce that our band was awarded the "GOLD" medal by Festival adjudicators. We couldn't be more proud! Our full band then rounded out a jam-packed weekend by participating in the Lancaster Memorial Day ceremony and parade on the town green.

This morning, our 8th graders headed off to Washington, D.C. for a week-long Capital Experience. Students will explore our nation's capital, touring monuments and museums while having fun together as a class for the last time. It's hard to believe that the year is coming to a close, and we will be sending our 8<sup>th</sup> graders off to the high school as future freshmen.

I will have the honor of joining our 8<sup>th</sup> graders as a chaperone on their trip to Washington, D.C. and will return with the group on Friday evening. Our school will be in good hands with our remaining faculty; our neighboring MRE administrators, Mr. O'Shea and Mr. Blanchard will also be on hand to support our students and faculty during my absence.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura J. Friend".

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 30- June 2, Gr. 8 DC Trip

June 9, 7th Annual "Do it for Douce Relay", 6:00 PM, NRHS; preceded by district middle school track meet (Go Lancers!)

June 13, Meet & Greet – Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents/guardians presentation, 6:00 PM (Title 1 presentation)  
6:30 PM (Meet & Greet)

June 14: Field Day, All School Event

June 19, Move Up Day

June 19, Gr. 8 Grade Recognition Night Ceremony & Dance

June 20, Last day of school (early release)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Luther Burbank Apparel and Other Items! Online Store Open for a Limited Time!

Reminder! Luther Burbank now has an official online store selling items to promote spirit and raise money for our Student Activity Fund. If you are interested in ordering items, click [here](#) to access the online store. Check it out and catch some school spirit! Items will be delivered to Luther Burbank and distributed from there. The store will be open for a limited time, so now is the time to SHOP!

Go Lancers!

2017 Field Day and All School Event – Parent Volunteers STILL Needed!

Last year's full day field day event was such a success, we have decided to make it a tradition. On June 14, we will be hosting a full day of fun and community building for our students. We need your help! Please consider donating your time and joining us as we offer field games and entertainment for our students. We would love your company. It's going to be a blast – and we really do NEED your help!

Activity Schedule:

\_\_\_ 8:00-11:00: Field day activities outside

\_\_\_ 11:00-12:30: Cookout & Volleyball tourney

\_\_\_ 12:30-1:45: Activity in in the auditorium (volunteers not needed)

Please email Judy Ursuliak at [jursuliak@nrsd.net](mailto:jursuliak@nrsd.net) if you are willing and able to volunteer. Please email with your available time slot, 8:00-11:00 and/or 11:00-12:30.

Note: An updated CORI will be required.

### LBMS Book Swap

Do you have any middle school appropriate books that your children have already read? Would you be willing to part with them knowing they could be enjoyed by your child's classmates? Would you like your child to have easy access to books of their choosing this summer?

We're excited to announce plans for a Book Swap in June. Please check your bookshelves to see what you might be willing to contribute. We're looking to circulate gently used books in preparation for the summer break." Please refer to the attached flyer for more information! Happy reading!

### 7th Annual "Do it for Douce" Relay

The 7th Annual "Do it for Douce" Nashoba Relay will be held on Friday, June 9, 2017 at NRHS at 6 p.m. immediately following the district middle school track meet. Come on out to support this great event!

### Spring Interscholastic Sports Off to a Tremendous Start

While the softball scores have fallen short in a few games recently, the team is proud to hold a winning record with only one game remaining this season. Of course, game scores are not the only measure of success. As Vince Lombardi said, "The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand." The softball team is encouraged to play the game with this in mind. The reward has been watching players improve and gain valuable experience at their positions. We wish the six graduating 8th graders continued success next year!

The boys' baseball team heads into the final week of the 2017 campaign on the wings of a four-game winning streak. Combining strong pitching, with a staff that includes Josh Morrison, Kenny Frommer, and Brendan Quinn, along with sound defense and timely hitting, the Lancers will play their final game, following the school's trip to the Nation's capital, with a season record of five wins and four losses. Kudos to the other members of the Lancers: Sam Quinn, Cal Palmaccio, Jack Wannamaker, Cam Lyttle, Chase McClintock, Kyle Gruca, Liam Owen, Sam Mongeon, and managers Jordan Garrity and Aedan Carey.

The Girls track team improved to 4-0 with a win over Clinton last Wednesday as the Boys team got their first win of the season. The final meet will be Friday, June 9th vs. Hale and Sawyer at NRHS. Six girls and two boys will be competing at the Mass State Track and Field Championships in Clinton on Saturday, June 3rd.

### NRHS Fall Athletics Update

The fall pre-season meeting for students in grades 8-11 is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 6:30PM at Nashoba Regional High School. [See flyer.](#)

**PICTURE OF THE WEEK**



8<sup>th</sup> grade students with our Lancaster veterans during the Memorial Day assembly