

Important Dates:

- ☺ May 16—Meteorologist Barry Burbank visits with the 6th grade.
- ☺ **May 16—SFC Meeting, 5:30pm, RM125.**
- ☺ May 16 through 19—BOGO Book Sale (*see the back side of the newsletter for details*).
- ☺ May 17 & 18—6th Grade Rutland Trip.
- ☺ **May 17—PTS Conferences & Pasta Dinner, 5:00pm-8:00pm.**
- ☺ May 17 & 18—Math MCAS, grades 7 & 10.
- ☺ May 17 & 18—Science MCAS, grade 8.
- ☺ May 18—Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:00pm.
- ☺ *May 25 & 26—Antigone TwoEleven (school play).*
- ☺ May 27—9th Grade Semi-Formal, 7:00-11:00pm, Old Town Hall.
- ☺ **May 30—Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL.**
- ☺ *June 1—Coffee & Conversation with Administrators (US), 5:30pm.*
- ☺ *June 2—Coffee & Conversation with Administrators (LS), 5:30pm.*
- ☺ June 2—7th Grade, Project Adventure trip.
- ☺ June 4—Salem Academy Family Picnic, Winter Island, 12:00-3:00pm.

News and Notes

The final SFC Meeting this year will be held Monday, May 16th, 2011 at 5:30pm. The SFC will be discussing upcoming school events, field days, graduation, and the family picnic. Volunteers and donations are needed for many of these events. All parents and families are invited and encouraged to attend.

PTS (Parent, Teacher, Student) Conferences will be Tuesday, May 17th, 2011 from 5:00-8:00pm. Parents can sign-up for 10 minute conferences with each of their student's teachers. The Upper School Student Government will be hosting a Pasta Dinner that evening in the café. \$5 a plate. \$1 for drinks.

7th Grade Service Learning Interactions

This year, the 7th graders' theme for their service learning project is interactions. As a class, they determined that the Salem Academy Charter School community needs to interact more with the Point community that we as a school live in. They collected data, and made several observations. There is a lot of litter in the Point, and there needs to be more places for the youth to hang out.

In response to these problems, the 7th graders have created "Trash-ketball." In order to present this project to the Point, they have worked with an organization called the CDC, Community Development Center to plan a day of exhibition within the Point.

On Wednesday, May 25th, from 3-6pm at the Mary Jane Lee Park, the 7th grade will be presenting their idea to the point community at a block party called, "Get to the point".

There are going to be several important organizations and businesses attending and also presenting their own projects, such as The Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, Salem Cyberspace, Salem Police Dept. and more. The 7th graders have even convinced Mayor Kimberly Driscoll to attend! There will be art, games, music, and more!

To find out what "Trash-ketball" is all about, and to celebrate the pride of the Point, come see for yourself, because all are welcome to attend!



Spring Scholastic Book Fair

May 16th-19th, 2011

Buy one, get one (BOGO)!
The Book Fair will also be open during PTS conferences on the 17th!
We would love some **parent volunteers who would be willing to work 8am-9am M,T,W, or TH.**



If interested, contact Shawn Berry at x114 or sberry@salemacademycs.org

Save the Date!!!

ANTIGONE *TWOELEVEN*

Wednesday, May 25th &

Thursday, May 26th

at 7:00pm

**Tickets are now available
through Connections.**



Calling all Volunteers! Parents! Others!

The Play is coming! The Play is coming!

Salem Academy is delighted to once again provide the opportunity for students to have a theatre experience, but we need your help!

- Volunteers need to coordinate and work the concession stand (May 25th & 26th)

- Provide dinner for cast & crew at 5:00pm (May 23rd & 24th)

- Coordinate food & donations for the cast party (Saturday, May 28th)

- Sell Ads for the play programs. If you frequent a business and would be willing to sell an ad or two, business letters can be acquired from Ms. Granniss.

If you are able to help out, please contact Ms. Granniss at dgranniss@salemacademycs.org or leave a message at: (978) 745-6155

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Varsity Softball Schedule:

May 18th @ Castle Hill Park (Salem), 5:15pm
May 21st @ Castle Hill Park (Salem), 9:30am
May 23rd @ Pioneer Charter (Everett), 3:30pm
May 25th @ Castle Hill Park (Salem), 5:15pm

Varsity Baseball Schedule:

May 19th @ Palmer's Cove (Salem), 6:00pm
May 20th @ Codman Academy (Dorchester), 5:30pm
May 25th @ Palmer's Cove (Salem), 5:15pm
May 31st @ Prospect Hill Academy (Cambridge), 4:00pm

High School Track Meet Schedule:

May 19th @ Madison Park HS (Roxbury), 5:30pm

* (A bus/van will depart SACS at 4:00pm for the above meets)

LOWER SCHOOL ATHLETICS

* **Softball Club** (will meet once a week)

* **Flag Football Club** (will meet 1-2 a week)

* **Track** (will meet 2-3 times a week)

Middle School Track Meets Schedule:

May 16th @ the Village School (Marblehead), 5:15pm*

June 2nd @ the Village School (Marblehead), 5:15pm*

* (A bus/van will depart SACS at 4:00pm for the above meets)



Please contact Athletic Director, Ms. Brobst with any questions ~ (978) 744-2105 x147!

The Northeast Arc Advocacy Department is hosting a workshop series for those looking to take charge of their situations and become stronger voices for their children.

All workshops will be held at Northeast Arc
6 Southside Road, Danvers, MA 01923

Registration is required. Please call the Family Support Center to register: (978) 624-2381

Cost is \$10 per workshop, or \$25 for the entire series. Space is limited!

Go Team! - Being an effective member of your child's team

Monday, May 23, 2011 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Participants will review basic dynamics of a Team Meeting process, what the IEP means and strategies to work with the professionals on the team to find a true compromise in the best interests of the child.

Go Advocate! Know when to say when

Monday, June 13, 2011 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Participants will review basic advocacy, learn some of the 'warning signs' and 'symptoms' of when the 'Team' is no longer effective, and WHEN and HOW to find a good advocate when necessary.