



## *Malden Public Schools*

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Dear Ferryway Families,

Welcome Spring!! As we transition into spring, please remind and review the dress code with your child. The expectation is that students dress in such a manner that does not distract from the learning environment. The following items are prohibited "wheelie" shoes/sneakers and clothing that reveals underwear, cleavage, or bare skin between the upper chest, belly area, and mid-thigh. (Please refer to the Student Handbook for more details.)

Last month, we celebrated **Read Across America**. A special thank you to Mayor Christenson and School Committee Member Mike Drummey for reading to classrooms as well as to School Committee Member Catherine Bordonaro for being our very own Cat in the Hat for our photo booth. A great time was had by all!

Additionally last month, **Alex Boissette**, one of our grade 6 students, won the **2016 Max Warburg Award** for her courage essay. Alex, her family and Mrs. Terranova will be attending an Awards Luncheon this month at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston. **Congratulations Alex!** We are very proud of you!

State testing is fast approaching. Students in grades 3-8 will be taking the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). Testing begins **April 25** and ends **June 6**. Students in grades 5 and 8 will also be taking the Science & Technology MCAS on **May 13 & 16**. Student attendance is extremely important. Please talk with your child about state mandated tests!

**Quarter 3 Report Cards** will go home on April 11. Please make sure you receive and review it with your child. If you have questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher.

A **special thank you** to the many **parents** who have committed to volunteer in the library so we can keep it open and functioning for our students!! Thank you!

The PTO is in need of parent volunteers! Please join us at the next **PTO meeting** which is **Tuesday, April 5** at 6:30 in the Ferryway library. We need you!!

Please join me at my next **"Parent Coffee"** session which is Friday, April 15 at 8:15. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Sincerely,

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