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The contents of the Tornado Times are intended to inform Malden High School students and staff as well as the greater Malden High School community. If you would like to add something please submit the contents to Principal Dana F. Brown, <u>dbrown@maldenps.org</u>. Stories, pictures, reminders, club, activity, and class notes are all welcome.

### Malden High School Vision Statement

The Malden High School community believes in the potential of all students to learn, to grow, and to become active, conscientious participants in the 21st century global society. We believe that students learn most effectively in a safe, respectful environment that encourages diverse viewpoints, promotes critical thinking and perseverance, and establishes rigorous standards for all. We honor the diverse nature of our community, promote social awareness and community involvement, and strive to meet the needs of all students through innovative methods and continual professional development. We are committed to ensuring that Malden High School graduates are thoughtful, independent, purpose-driven, lifelong learners. We seek to equip all students with the skills and habits necessary to successfully navigate and contribute to our ever-changing world.

### Good morning,

Veterans Day sometimes gets lost among the other holidays. I hope we can take a moment tomorrow to remember and honor those who have served and those who have died so that we can live in freedom.

#### Looking ahead...

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54312	Monday, November 10, 2014	EARLY-RELEASE, No Meetings
XXXXXXXXX	Tuesday, November 11, 2014	Veterans Day-NO SCHOOL
345671	Wednesday, November 12, 2014	MCAS MATHEMATICS RETEST
234567	Thursday, November 13, 2014	MCAS MATHEMATICS RETEST
123456	Friday, November 14, 2014	
34567	Monday, November 17, 2014	EARLY-RELEASE, CONTENT
712345	Tuesday, November 18, 2014	
		New teacher INDUCTION
671234	Wednesday, November 19, 2014	PROGRAM
567123	Thursday, November 20, 2014	School Council Meeting, 6:30 pm
456712	Friday, November 21, 2014	
XXXXXXXXX	Saturday, November 22, 2014	Franks Says Hi Craft Fair
		EARLY-RELEASE, CONTENT,
45671	Monday, November 24, 2014	Pajama Day
123456	Tuesday, November 25, 2014	Wacky Tacky Day
		Pep Rally, Blue and Gold Day, 11
12	Wednesday, November 26, 2014	am dismissal
XXXXXXXXX	Thursday, November 27, 2014	Thanksgiving-NO SCHOOL
XXXXXXXXX	Friday, November 28, 2014	No school Thanksgiving
XXXXXXXXX	Saturday, November 29, 2014	Parade of Holiday Traditions
XXXXXXXXXX	Monday, December 1, 2014	Winter Sports begin
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## 1:1 Initiative update:

Thank you for your feedback from PD and please continue to use the link below to submit questions, concerns, etc. - We will get back to you as soon as possible with answers as best we can. Keep the questions coming. There are a lot of "unknown unknowns".

A couple of things:

- We will have the particulars around AUP out to everyone as soon as possible which will address concerns around breakage, loss, theft, etc.
- This year, Chromebooks will be issued to those in a freshman homeroom; we are continuing to address multilevel classes.
- Many of you expressed interest in starting Google Classroom now. Awesome! However, the district must adopt Google For Education before we sign-up any more teachers and students. We have been

running a pilot under the maldenhigh.org demo account and are not able to expand upon it. We are in talks with Google about adopting this as soon as possible.

- You will be receiving regular updates on our work via the Tornado Times to keep information consistent.
- Training on the Google Environment will be forthcoming (offered after school).

Sean Walsh English Teacher Leader / Drama Director swalsh@maldenps.org X1284

# Malden High School Tutoring Program

Looking for students interested in tutoring or being tutored...

Sign up outside of Ms. Macey's room (Br480) The program starts December 1, 2014

Do you have any questions? Email us at:

# <u>MaldenHighTutoring@gmail.com</u>

# Computer Labs:

The computer lab H206 is now available to sign out for the week of 11/10-11/14. Please go to the following link to access the sign-out. Please note that period 6 will no longer be available to sign out for the remainder of the year due to a class being held there.

http://techsignup.wikispaces.com/home

It was suggested that we keep a log for computers that appear to be having issues in the room. You will find a list tacked to the board near the teacher's computer. If you encounter an issue, please put it on

the list so that future teachers are aware when they come in. Then please report any problems to technology.

Also, please lock the door from the inside using your bathroom key on your way out. We have had a problem with students using computers without supervision and computer mice going missing, as well as students entering the adjacent rooms. If the door is locked when you arrive, Jenelle Baldassari in H203 has the key.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Bizier

Science Teacher Leader Malden High School Extension 1416 Room H416

H305 is now available for you to sign up for the week of 11/10/14. Please go to the following link to access the sign-out for periods 2 and 4.

http://mhsmathdepartment.wikispaces.com/H305+Sign+Out

It was suggested that we keep a log for computers that appear to be having issues in the room. If you encounter an issue, please report any problems to me or technology.

Also, please lock the door from the inside using your bathroom key on your way out. We have had a problem with students using computers without supervision and computer mice going missing, as well as students entering the adjacent rooms.

Thank you,

Cara Joyce Mathematics Teacher Leader Malden High School cjoyce@maldenps.org

#### Dessert Theater & Book Unveiling on November 10 Be sure to RSVP if you'd like to attend!

Malden Reads will conclude its slate of 2014 programming on Monday, November 10, with dessert theater and a sneak peak of what's in store for 2015.

This free event invites the community to enjoy a dessert while watching professional actors perform a stage reading of an original play by local playwright Licia Sky.

Co-hosted with the North Shore Black Women's Association, the <u>event</u> will feature a 45-minute dramatization of the Malden Reads 2014 featured selection *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks.* Written by Rebecca Skloot, the book upon which the play is based is a true story about a woman whose unique cells were collected without her knowledge in 1951 and are still used today in medical research.

Desserts will be provided by Brother Trucker Catering, a division of <u>Stock Pot</u> <u>Malden</u>.

The local non-profit Triangle, Inc. has provided a venue for the program, at 420 Pearl Street. The show starts at 7 p.m. In addition to the program, Malden Reads will share the new book for the 2015 season.

Now in its fifth year, Malden Reads is a grassroots program that invites the community to read the same book and then participate in a series of events based on themes from the book. Previous featured selections include *The Soloist, Outcasts United* and *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian.* 

Be among the first to know about the 2015 featured selection. And, in honor of our fifth year, five free copies of the 2015 book selection will be given out as a door prize! To reserve your seat for the event, contact Malden Reads at <u>maldenreads@gmail.com</u> or <u>781-321-2935</u>. Leave your name, contact info (email or phone #) and number of people in your party.

Monday, November 10 is the night before the Veteran's Day holiday. Hope to see you at the "Dessert Theater" event!

This theater project was supported in part by the Malden Cultural Council, a local agency, supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Malden Reads: One City, One Book

The Malden High School Fine Arts Club is making "<u>Letters from Santa"</u> this coming Christmas and will be sending them out just for Santa's little helpers!

Santa's Letter will include a personalized letter from Santa on novelty paper, stickers, a "Naughty" or "Nice" Certificate and a photo of Santa in an envelope.

> Order letters by <u>December 5th</u> for guaranteed delivery by Christmas.

> > \$15.00

## How to order:

 Request form via email: mseager@maldenps.org
Fill out form and return by Dec. 5th: Malden High School Fine Arts Club
Salem Street, Malden MA 02148
Please make checks out to: Malden High School Fine Arts Club







MHS Fine Arts Club