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The Tornado Times is put out at the beginning of each school week.

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,
dbrown@maldenps.org. 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,

Last Friday was a day of celebration for some of our students. In the am we hosted a breakfast for our Adams Scholarship recipients and at lunch we recognized and honored our Got Grit Winners and our Solid as a Rock winners. Congratulations to all of our students and thank you to all of the staff who support them.

I would like to congratulate the Play Production students and staff for their great weekend of performances of *Blood Brothers*. The show raised some important and current issues. The tragedy resonated with many in the audience. Kudos!





On Saturday a group of AP Math students spent the day at Chelsea High School! Thank you to coordinator Nick Lippman and the other AP math teachers in attendance.

We hosted a Crafts Fair here on Saturday and a Candlelight Vigil last night. At both events we had a number of student volunteers. They represented the Key Club, the YMCA Leadership Corps, the Captains Council and many of our Class Officers. Our students really do step up when we need them. Thank you!

At the Golden Tornado Hall of Fame Dinner on Saturday night MHS senior Marwa Khudaynazar was awarded the Peter Donoghue Memorial Golden Eagle Scholarship. Marwa's winning essay honored Deena Bello, her first field hockey coach in Malden. Some staff may remember MHS grads Kevin Newhall and Jenelle Devits. Both were inducted into the Hall of Fame on Saturday.

The "fight against stigma and addiction" vigil was well done and well attended. Names of those who have died due to addiction were read. Unfortunately some of the names were former MHS students or relatives of MHSstudents.

The balloon launch of last week raised over \$2200. The money will go to the family of Josue Quispe.

## This week

Monday, November 23, 2015	7,1,2,3,4	Early-release, Content, Pajama Day
Tuesday, November 24, 2015	6,7,1,2,3,4	Wacky Tacky Day
Wednesday, November 25, 2015	1,5, Classes will be called too Gym	11:00 Dismissal, Blue and Gold Day, Pep Rally, Breakfast only, No Lunch, Powder Puff Game at Stadium, 12 noon
Thursday, November 26, 2015		No School-Thanksgiving
Friday, November 27, 2015		No School
Saturday, November 28, 2015		Holiday Parade, 2pm, Tree Lighting immediately following at City Hall

Winter Sports start Monday, November 30th. Student-athletes must be academically eligible and must have all paperwork returned in order to tryout. Contact the Athletic Department with any questions.

# Spirit Week at Malden High

On Monday, November 23rd the school participates in <u>Pajama Day</u>. Students and staff wear appropriate sleeping attire if they wish. Points are awarded to the graduation class with the most participation. Our National Honor Society members serve as point counters for the week. They also help run the Pep Rally events held in the gym.

On Tuesday, November 24th the school will host Wacky Tacky Day. Per usual, students and staff are allowed to wear wacky tacky outfits (think mismatch, staff look-alikes, late for Halloween et al). Tremendous pressure on me this year; past "dress-ups" have included Eminem, Nicki Minaj, Lady Gaga, Psy (Gangnam Style), Snapchat, Snooky and more. Oh boy...

On Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> the school hosts the annual Pep Rally in the gym. It is also Blue and Gold Day and all students and staff are encouraged to wear their Malden High School colors. The day starts with face painting in Cafeteria Boyle by our art staff and students. Breakfast is served on this day but not lunch.

The Pep Rally features our football and cheerleading squads, our dance teams, the award winning band and chorus, and the team competitions culminating with the tug-o-war between classes. Many recent graduates usually find their way back to the Pep Rally. The graduation class with the most points (from the dress up days, competitions,

hallway decorating) is declared the overall winner. Dismissal is from the gym before 11 am. Your families are welcome to attend.

About an hour after Pep Rally the annual tag/flag football game between the junior and senior girls takes place at Macdonald Stadium. The last couple of contests have been played in bone crunching weather and torrential rains; great fun!

While all of this is happening during Spirit Week the 4 classes are engaged in a <u>"Spirit"</u> banner decorating contest. The banners get hung near or in the gym prior to the Pep Rally. Crucial points go to the best banner.

On Thanksgiving Day Malden High School and Medford High School compete in the 3<sup>rd</sup> oldest high school Thanksgiving Day football game in the United States. This year the game returns to Medford at the traditional start time of 10 am. A win gives Malden High School sole possession and undisputed claim to the Greater Boston League title.

Following the football game Malden High School will serve as the site of the annual Bread of Life "Don't be Alone" Thanksgiving Dinner for families and individuals in need. The dinner is held from 12 noon until 2 pm. In addition to the hundreds of folks in attendance at the meal, hundreds of meals are also delivered to folks who can't get out to the dinner. Many of our students and staff contribute by donating to Bread of Life financially, with their time, or by baking something for the day.

Finally, on Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> the City hosts the annual Parade of Holiday Traditions. Clubs, groups, teams are encouraged to participate. The parade kicks off at 2 pm at the Salemwood School and ends at City Hall. Each school is asked to design a holiday wreath for City Hall. Our art department has taken on the challenge!

I have tried to capture the essence of all of the upcoming events but I am sure I missed something. Please don't hesitate to ask me or a veteran administrator/teacher if you have any questions or if you would like to be involved in any way.

Thanks.

Dana Brown, Principal

# Support the Bread of Life and bring your canned goods to any office!

# Wreaths and Flowers for the Holiday Season!!

It is that time!! Support the Malden Crew Team with your order of wreaths and flowers to brighten your home over the holidays or use as a gift. Orders will be accepted through the end of the month.

We will deliver to your workplace early December!

Email your order and send payment to the High School.

Attn: Sarah Jones

Checks Payable to: Malden Rowing Foundation

Thank you for all your support. Winter and the holidays are on their way. The Malden High Crew Team would like to make decorating easy this year.

Flower and Size Price
Quantity
Total Cost
4" Christmas Cactus
\$5.00
6" Christmas Cactus
\$8.00
6" Amaryllis
\$8.00
6" Paperwhites
\$8.00
6" Poinsettias
\$10.00
8" Poinsettias (3 bulbs)
\$18.00
10" Wreath
\$10.00
14" Wreath
\$12.00
18" Wreath
\$15.00
Bow added to Wreath
\$2.00
Decorated Kissing Ball
\$25.00
*Wreaths come with no decoration. If you want a bow, please be sure to add to the list.
Total Number of Items:
Cost of entire order:
Payment Method: Check or Cash
Make checks payable to: Malden Rowing Foundation
Supporter's Name: Room Number:

Email:	School:
Thank you for all your support of the Malden High Crew Te	am.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email at maldenhscrew@gmail.com.