



TIGER TALES

October 1, 2021

Reminder:

Early Release day on
Thursday, October 7

dismissal for parent pick up will begin at 11:45am

No School on Friday, October 8 or
Monday, October 11

LUNCH on Thurs. Oct. 7 (1/2 Day)

There will be no lunch served on October 7 but a bag lunch can be pre-ordered and sent home with your child. If you would like to order a bag lunch please let the kitchen know by 3:00pm on Tuesday, October 5 by emailing Deb Koval at kovald@rsu5.org

Planned Absences

If you know your family will be away, please fill out the planned absence form on the next page and return it to the main office. A planned absence for a personal or educational purpose that is pre-approved will count as an excused absence. Without pre-approval these absences are considered unexcused.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming a substitute teacher at Durham Community School please email or call Molly in the main office. Molly can be reached by phone at 353-9333 or by email at burgessm@rsu5.org

Got Sneakers

From now until October 15, Lucas Nam, a junior at FHS, is collecting sneakers for a charity called Got Sneakers. Got Sneakers takes your unwanted sneakers and sends them to people in third-world countries. This keeps shoes out of our local dumps. Badly worn sneakers will be ground up to make athletic flooring. Got Sneakers will pay the Midcoast Humane Society \$1 for each pair of sneakers, so your donation helps animals too. Clean your closets today!

Please note: We can only accept sneakers. No boots, sandals, heels, slippers, or any other kind of shoe."

REMINDER TO CHECK LOST AND FOUND

Lost and found has accumulated over the first month of school. Please make sure to write your child's name on their clothes, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc. so that we can return any items that end up in lost and found.

Picture Retake Day

Picture Retake Day will be
Friday, November 5



Durham Community School

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RSU 5 – DURHAM FREEPORT POWNAL

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Planned Absence Request

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date(s) of planned absence requested: _____

Reason for Absence:

It is important for students to be in school every day. Regular attendance is closely linked to academic success. Ensuring your child's regular attendance helps to communicate a strong message that education is important. Planned absences for family vacations are strongly discouraged. If you know your family will be away, please fill out this form and return it at least 7 days before the absence. A planned absence for a personal or educational purpose that is pre-approved will count as an excused absence. Without pre-approval, these absences are considered unexcused and may lead to truancy. Truancy is defined as 7 or more unexcused absences. (See: Compulsory Attendance, Policy JEA)

Although teachers may be able to provide some make up assignments, it is very hard to replicate the quality of assignments and instruction that result from daily classroom interactions. Teachers are not expected to provide materials before an absence. Daily writing and reading while away are typically a good way to capture memories and capitalize on these experiences.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Administrator Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ Excused

☐ Unexcused



**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
IN JOINING YEARBOOK
WE WILL MEET ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
AT
3:15 ~ 5PM
IN THE ART ROOM**

FOR GRADES 6 THROUGH 8