



Holicong Parent Council Meeting

10/16/14

Upcoming Dates & Announcements

Today – Orchestra Presentation

October 24th – Drug Awareness Assembly (9th Grade)

October 28th – Mix-it Up Day – [See video!](#)

November 4th – Travis Manion "Character Does Matter" Presentation – [See video!](#)

November 12th – Anti-Bullying Presentation (7th Grade)

November 20th – Parent Council

Holicong's Annual Thanksgiving Tradition



Every November the Holicong Community – students, parents and staff provide Thanksgiving Baskets for 12-15 families within the Holicong Community.

Each “basket” comes complete with turkey, stuffing, potatoes, frozen pie and more.

Additionally each family receives 2-3 boxes of non-perishable food.

Any and all donations are accepted (food / money).

For more information – please contact Mrs. Radice (267-893-2840)

KVT Presentation

Please welcome 9th graders...

Andrew Cipriano

&

Sambhav Jain

What is KVT? (aka – Kids versus Teachers)

Who: ALL Students and Staff at Holicong MS

What: Ongoing competitions between all three grade levels and teachers.

When: A different event will take place each month. An end of year celebration will take place with the winning team receiving the inaugural “Colonial Cup”

Where: Varied locations at Holicong based on the event

Why: Increase school spirit through student and teacher interaction outside the classroom

Month	(Tentative) Event	Teachers	7 th Grade	8 th Grade	9 th Grade
September	Spirit Day	1	3	2	0
October	Pumpkin Painting				
November	Pie Eating				
December	Basketball				
January	Trivial Pursuit				
February	Name That Tune				
March	Art Contest				
April	Dodge Ball				
May	Volleyball				
YEAR END TOTAL					

September Competition...



7th Grade



8th Grade



Staff



9th Grade

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October's Competition...

**Holicong's First Annual
KVT Pumpkin Painting Contest!**

\$3.00 per Pumpkin
Sign-up sheet is located in the office (hurry, first come first serve! Limited spots...)
Everyone is welcome to participate!

Painting will take place Tuesday through Thursday (10/21-10/23) in resource (art room)
A secret judging panel will evaluate each pumpkin

Winners announced Friday (10/24)
Winner will receive exclusive Holicong gear and points towards their KVT team for their chance to win the COLONIAL CUP!

Communication

When communicating, especially in situations which could be “delicate” (ie – behavior, grading, etc.), Stephen Covey said it best...

*“Seek First to Understand,
Then to Be Understood”*

[The frustration of email](#)

Department Highlight Library

Please welcome Holicong Librarian...

Lauren
Johnston

[Holicong Library](#)

Holicong Literary Magazine

Please welcome Mr. Vogelsinger!

Who: Any interested student who wants to submit work

What: Monthly online literary magazine

When: 7th graders post on the 7th of the month, 8th graders post on the 8th of the month, and 9th graders post on the 9th of the month

Where: Link located on Holicong homepage

 [Sevenatenine - Holicong Literary Magazine](#)

Why: Showcase student work

Holicong Literary Magazine

sevenateneine

holicong middle school literary magazine

<http://sevenateninemagazine.blogspot.com/>

9th Grade Assessment

Please welcome Holicong Assistant Principal...

Donna

Dome

9th grade assessment

Changes in PSSA


ELA

MATH

So what does that mean for Holicong?

Level of rigor is much higher!

- 1) Adjusted professional development & school goals for year
- 2) Focus on literacy across departments
- 3) Possible revision of testing dates and scheduling



PSSA Testing Window for 2014-2015

Assessment	Dates	Grades
English Language Arts	April 13-17, 2015	Grades 3-8
Mathematics	April 20-24, 2015	Grades 3-8
Science	April 27-May 1, 2015	Grades 4 and 8
Make-up	May 4-8, 2015	

For parents...

Your homework – Read the passage “Letter to Her Daughter from the New White House” by Abigail Adams and answer the questions. Correct answers will be added to the powerpoint for you to check for correction (self-assessment!)

For more information – Please visit the PDE site for more information, including scoring samplers and preliminary items - http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/state_assessment_system/20965/pennsylvania_system_of_school_assessment_%28pssa%29/1190526



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Answers to Homework

21. A

22. B

23. D

24. C

25. A

26. C

27. B

28. C, A