



HOLICONG WEEKLY UPDATE

Week of January 20th, 2020

- ✓ Please see the [Holicong Announcements Page](#) for daily announcements and links to the weekly update. Please check our [Parent Council Page](#) for Parent Council presentations, meeting dates and other parent presentations throughout the year.

WEEK AHEAD

- ✓ **Tuesday**
 - **CBSD School Board Meeting**
- ✓ **Wednesday**
 - [Celebration of Our Schools](#) – 6:30 – 8:30 @ CB South; click on the link for more information about this event and to RSVP!
- ✓ **Thursday**
 - **7th & 8th Grade Program Planning Meeting – 1:00 at Holicong** – Mrs. Louderback has a presentation for 7th & 8th grade parents who would like to learn more about the program planning process for these students
 - **Community Connections Meeting Hosted by Dr. Kopicki – 6:00 pm at Holicong in the commons** – this is an informal night where parents have the opportunity to meet and talk with Dr. Kopicki directly – it is open to ALL Holicong parents and no RSVP needed
 - **Team 7-1 Field Trip (Penn Museum)**
- ✓ **Friday**
 - **End of 1st MARKING PERIOD & ½ Day for Students**
 - **Team Activities by Grade**
 - **Staff “Soup or Bowl” Wellness Lunch**

WEEK IN REVIEW

- ✓ **Humanitarians of Holicong – Mykee Fowlin & Mix it Up Day with the theme “Music is the Universal Unifier”** – A very special thank you to Mrs. Keyes, Mrs. Barraclough and our Humanitarians of Holicong team for organizing an AMAZING extended advisory activity on Friday. Too much to relay here, but we attached the “Name that Tune” activity that ties in different songs & the meanings behind them. The goal was also to have students work with others in their grades who they have not met. This was truly meaningful work and please see the website for pictures.
- ✓ **VH1 Fundraiser at Café Soul** – Thank you to Mr. Glaser, Mrs. Repper and her daughter Natalie, Keira Corcoran and Sofia Devitt, and Mr. Sanchez from Tamanend...and everyone who attended the “dine and donate.” Thank you to Café Soul and the Zazyczny family (owners of Café Soul & Holicong family!) for hosting these dine and donate events and supporting the arts at Holicong.
- ✓ **7th Grade Program Planning** – Mrs. Louderback presented at an assembly to Holicong 7th graders! Resources for 7th grade program planning are located on our Program Planning website – [7th to 8th Grade Program Planning Website](#).

- ✓ **ALICE – Shelter in Place Drill** – Thursday we conducted our “Shelter in Place Drill.” This shelter in place protocol would be put in place if local authorities contacted the school regarding an incident involving the release of airborne hazardous material. All persons are directed to come inside the building to an area that is as airtight as possible to avoid exposure to toxins. The drill went extremely well – our students responded extremely well and took this seriously, and a special thanks to Lieutenant Bailey from the Buckingham Police Department for joining us to observe and supervise the drill.
- ✓ **Mock Trial** – Congratulations to our team for a big win over Holy Ghost on Thursday evening!

ANNOUNCEMENT & UPDATES

- ✓ **Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support System Team (SWPBIS)** – Our team had its first meeting with representatives from the BCIU to start the planning for how we can incorporate this model in our work at Holicong. A special thanks to the group who volunteered for this work: Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Louderback, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Kane, Mr. Maigur, Mr. McVey, and Mr. Canelli. We will provide updates to our staff, students, and parents as this work continues for the remainder of the year.
- ✓ **Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) Training** – The district has partnered with the MCIU to provide training to administrators, counselors, and psychologists on threat assessment best practices. Mr. Canelli & Mrs. Louderback attended the training in December and Ms. Blankenburg, Mrs. McLaughlin and Dr. Shillingford attended this week. This work will only help improve our processes at the school & district level.
- ✓ **World Languages Club** – Senora Grosse and Madame Del Rosario have joined forces and created the this new club that is open to all students at Holicong (included in Parent Council presentation).
- ✓ **Autism Awareness T-shirts** – These are currently on sale. All proceeds will be directed toward Peer Connect. Thanks to Sarah, Kiersten, and Mrs. Neff for presenting at Parent Council (included in Parent Council presentation).
- ✓ **Faces of Holicong** – The focus of this week’s [Faces of Holicong](#) is Jacob & Dennis interviewing Sadie Adams about Neutropenia. Her brother suffers from this condition and her goal is to inform our community about and raise funds to support research. We are working to create a webpage on the site solely for the Faces of Holicong features as we share these stories from our school community with our entire school community!
- ✓ **End of 2nd Marking Period & Open Study** – With the end of the 2nd marking period less than 3 weeks away (January 31st) it a good time to remind students and parents that our “**Open Study**” takes place in the library every Tuesday & Thursday after school from 2:30 – 4:00. This is an excellent time for students to get caught up on work, study, do homework and other projects, and receive academic support in math (thanks Mrs. Farrell) in an academic environment where students to have all the resources they need without the distractions they may have outside of school.

UPCOMING DATES

FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES

Week of February 3rd	National School Counseling Week
February 3rd	Leadership Council
February 3rd	Start of 3rd Marking Period (Specials Change for 2nd semester)
February 3rd	8th Grade Program Planning Assembly
February 4th	ALICE DRILL
February 7th	First Friday – Colonial Spirit Day
February 7th	Extended Advisory – Team Activities
February 7th	<u>Holicong Winter Dance!</u>
February 10th	Faculty Meeting
February 11th	<u>Math Midterm</u>
February 11th	CB Broadway Cares
February 11th	CBSD School Board Meeting
February 14th	NO SCHOOL (Staff Development for Staff)
February 17th	NO SCHOOL (Staff Development for Staff)
February 19th	Department Meetings
February 20th	Parent Council (9:00 am & 6:00 pm)
February 21st	Extended Advisory – Student Activities
February 21st	Team 7-0 Field Trip (Penn Museum)
February 19th	6th Grade Parent Orientation
February 24th	Faculty Meeting
February 25th	Holicong String Social
February 25th	CBSD School Board Meeting