



SHAKER ROAD SCHOOL SApPLINGS

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UPCOMING DATES:

For more information consult PowerSchool or your school calendar.

11/5: PTG Meeting in Room 101; 5:00-6:00 PM

11/11: SRS CLOSED for Veteran's Day

11/12: Instrumental Recital; 5:30 & 7:00 PM

11/16: SSAT @ SRS

11/20: Capitol Center for the Arts; Grades 8-9

11/27: NO CLASSES, Childcare available

11/28 & 11/29: SRS CLOSED for Thanksgiving Break

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR:

Look for the Saplings on PowerSchool each month this year posted online at www.shakerroadschool.org. A classroom will be featured with updates from special events, school trips, athletics and alumni. If you have any photos of sports or school performances that you would like to share, we would love to have a copy. Hope you enjoy the articles.

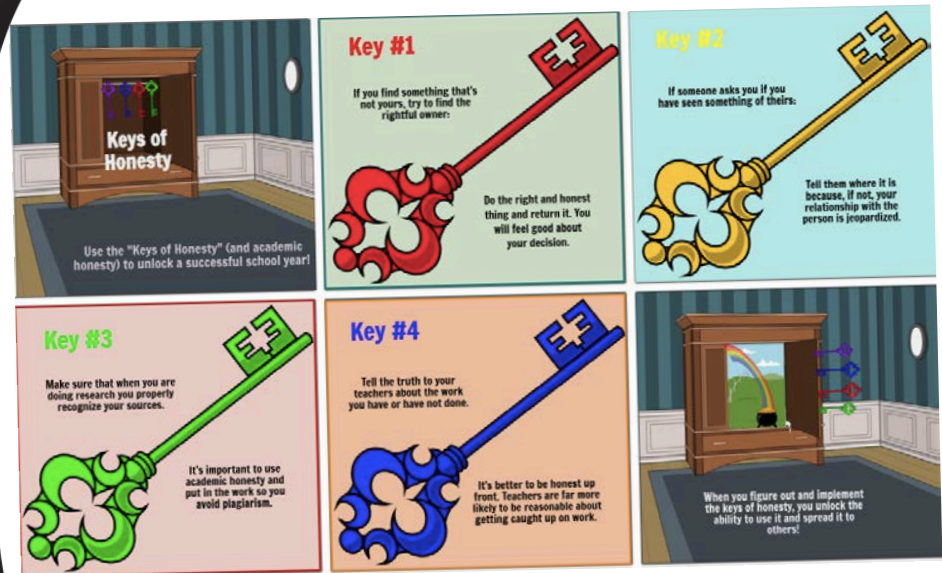
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EIGHTH GRADE ADVISORY OF THE MONTH

Ms. Raby's Advisory submitted this comic strip. They have summarized some advice for both *Honesty* and *Academic Honesty* as it applies to being a good friend, student, and community member. It was created using storyboardthat.com.



SHAKER ROAD SCHOOL

GO SRS HERONS!!

Archery

There's nothing like the sound of a solid hit in an archery target on a nice fall afternoon. Even better, the smiles on the archers' faces as they improve their technique and move those arrows towards the ever so elusive bull's-eye! We've had an eager group of students participate in archery after school this year. They have worked hard to focus on proper stance, strong cores (no arched backs), body control, and of course, their aim. Students have learned how to score their arrows and are always excited when an arrow that lands on the border of two rings counts for the higher points! Most importantly, we have learned what it means to be safe on an archery range and how this leads to a whole lot of fun!

Submitted by: Chrissy Raby



Cross-Country

The 2019 fall middle school cross country season was outstanding. Fifteen runners from fifth through eighth grade made up the team. After one week of practice, the team headed to NHTI for the Middle School Invitational against five large middle schools. All the runners finished with great personal times and race placements.

The team met twice a week to practice speed work, running skills, strategies, and building endurance. The season continued with the team traveling to meets at Sant Bani, Litchfield, Hopkinton, and Pembroke. In addition, SRS was proud to host two home meets with schools from Bow and Pembroke competing on our outstanding two-mile course.

Thank you to all the runners for a great season. Your effort and Shaker Road School pride was shining bright at each practice and meet. Thanks also to all the parents for your cheering and support.

All the runners did outstanding jobs training, improving times, having fun, and supporting each other. This team showed they are Shaker Strong!

Submitted by:
Peter Daley



Middle School Golf

Middle school golf was a great hit once again this year. From novices to more seasoned players, a small but dedicated group of middle school golfers played each week on our six-hole course. Each week we dedicated one day to skill building and mini tournaments to improve our form and another day to applying the skills by getting out and playing.

Our mini tournaments were nail biters with all our golfers swapping the lead often. During our driving tournament Taylor Minery's powerful drives easily won out, but Anna McDonald, who was new to golf, amazed us with a few tremendous hits. Our chipping tournament also saw Anna along with Jeffrey Bartlett getting bullseyes and Amelia Roberts getting two shots within the target.

Though the weather didn't always cooperate, the team made the most of the season. Our most dedicated players were the small group of sixth graders, always working hard to improve their games: Jeffery Bartlett, Abbey Perkins, Sierra McCabe, Anna McDonald, and Amelia Roberts. And our eighth graders, Taylor, Paul, and Avery, always kept us smiling learning how to play fling golf, which was a sight to see. The season ended with a big fling golf tournament enjoyed by all.

Submitted by: Barbara Morrison

3/4 Golf

The fall of 2019 was an enjoyable golf season for the third and fourth graders, who visited the SRS golf course twice a week after school to team up and help each other learn and improve their game. Some weeks the players would practice driving and putting. Other weeks they would play to compete for the lowest score while having a fun time on the course. With the Doug's skilled playing on display each week, the student golfers played, learned, and laughed. Thanks for a great golf season, everyone!

Submitted by: Peter Daley

HERONS SOCCER 2019



GIRLS SEVENTH AND EIGHT GRADE SOCCER

The seventh and eighth grade girls' soccer team had another fantastic season. The season started with blowout wins at Hillsboro and Weare before being tested by the Hopkinton Middle School team. Fortunately, a key penalty kick preserved a tie. The only loss of the season came at home against St. John's School, despite a protest on their final goal. The referees admitted after the game that the St. John's winning goal, a penalty kick, should have been disallowed as a result of an infraction in the penalty area. Drama aside, this loss helped bond the girls and focus them for the rest of the season, resulting in a final record of 9-1-1.

The girls entered the tournament as the top seed in the A Bracket, where they easily defeated an always physical Merrimack Valley Middle School team before the championship game against St. John's. Skillfully, the girls scored quickly in the first half and played a strong team game.

After St. John's tied the game, the girls rallied to score two more goals and secure the championship. The 2019 victory marks the fifth consecutive year that the seventh and eighth grade girls have won their tournament's top prize. Congratulations on a season full of excellent soccer, sportsmanship, and teamwork.

Submitted by: Matthew Hicks



MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER

The 6-7-8 boys' middle school soccer team had a terrific season. The Herons finished the season with a record of 9-1 and scored an amazing 57 goals. The team worked hard throughout the season on defensive positioning as well as movement off the ball. It was a big undertaking for the four sixth graders on the team, who had never played 11 v 11 or on a full-size field. However, the boys did a tremendous amount of work to learn the new style of play.

The team had an incredible tournament, as well, where they played St. John's and Merrimack Valley in the A Division. Being down 2-0 to the eventual champions, St. John's, the boys fought back and played to 3-3 draw. The second game against Merrimack Valley showed just how hard they had worked throughout the whole season, and the boys won 3-0. The team would eventually lose by one goal in the fourth tiebreaker to St. John's and take second place.

I couldn't be prouder of this group of boys for all their hard work. Great season, boys!

Submitted by: Jay Lewis



FIFTH AND SIXTH COED SOCCER

This year's team was made up of boys and girls from grades four, five, and six. The co-ed team returned to the Merrimack Valley Soccer League to play in the 5/6 Boys' division. We started the season with our first game on the first day of school without a practice under our belt, but we played hard and made tremendous improvement throughout the season. This team was made up of a diverse group of athletes, and each individual brought determination and drive when they stepped onto the field.

During practices the players worked on creating space, communicating, and making complete passes. We enjoyed playing a variety of games during practice that helped hone in on specific soccer skills. A few favorites were 1-v-1 drills, Pirates of the Pug, and the juggling challenge.

At the end of the season the team ventured to Warner on a chilly Saturday morning for an end-of-season jamboree. The team played in three shortened games, back to back. They came together to win the first two games, only giving up one goal. The last game ended in a tie. With the points calculated, the Herons were tied with Bow for first place. After going through three tie breakers, we took second place, only missing first by one point.

Congratulations to all the fourth, fifth, and sixth grade soccer players. We are looking forward to next year!

Submitted by Stephanie Newbery

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE COED SOCCER The third and fourth grade coed soccer team started off with a loss to Loudon but then rallied to win or tie each of their following games. They ended the season with a record of 6 wins, 1 loss and 1 tie. The tie came with a potentially game winning shot in the last seconds of the game on goalie Ben Larson who skillfully saved it, protecting the team from a loss.



This was the first time these third and fourth graders played as a team and they came together very well. The fourth graders demonstrated leadership helping to encourage and teach the younger players. The third graders fought hard against older players making their presence known on the field and in the net. Everyone contributed to the success of this season and had fun in the process. As the third graders become the older players next year, they will be ready to lead the team on the field!

Submitted by: Samantha Daniels



HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE 2019



HAPPY HALLOWEEN 2019







Save the date!

JANUARY 25, 2020

7:00 PM AT Shaker Road School

\$35 individual / \$50 couple
(Available soon online or in the Main Office)

Mark your calendar for the PTG's biggest fundraiser of the year!

WHAT IS SOCIALLY SHAKER?

- A themed adult-only event (wear your best denim & diamonds!)
- A silent auction and raffle
- A party with hors d'oeuvres, DJ, dancing, & cash bar
- A chance for the SRS community to enjoy an evening together

Proceeds from Socially Shaker will be used to enhance students' academic and co-curricular experiences.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

To help make this year's event a success, we are seeking your help in gathering donations. Donations for the silent auction and raffle come in many forms. Some of the most popular items from previous years included:

- **Merchandise and Goods:** Home improvement tools, jewelry, solid wood Adirondack chairs, electric toothbrushes, a set of bunk beds, electric kettle
- **Services Offered:** Consultation with an architect, free kitchen design, personal training and gym membership to White Mountain Crossfit, free dental exam and cleaning
- **Vacation Offerings:** Week-long stays in a house on Lake Winnepesaukee and in a Florida vacation home
- **Experiences:** Front row tickets to upcoming SRS events (including the dance recital, drama productions, Spring Fling, and graduation), Boston Celtics tickets, UNH hockey tickets, tickets and popcorn at Red River Theatre

All donors will be promoted the night of the event and all donations are tax-deductible. Thank you for your support of Shaker Road School. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

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