



Hello Groton Dunstable Families!

This week we had the second of two forums. The first was for Dunstable last Thursday and last night was for Groton.

There were many questions asked and answered, some of which were:

- ★ Windows on the bus: **As it gets cold, the windows will still be open but not 100% unless of course it is raining or snowing.**
- ★ Cleaning the busses: **Busses are cleaned after each run between schools.**
- ★ Why can't remote learning days ALL be modeled after Friday schedule regardless of the day? **Because consistency is so important for our students and intervention services have been carefully scheduled and planned, we need to make sure that our remote days follow the schedule of the day on which they fall.**
- ★ What were the results from the recent survey where parents of at home learners were asked what they may do if the opportunity to return their at home learners to in person learners was provided? **The following is a slide deck that displays this information. Please note that we will repeat this survey in early December as the Trimesters at Elementary Schools and the Semesters at Middle School and**

High School come closer to ending. We will need to be prepared to shift spaces and possibly hire additional staffing.

Remote to In Person Data This presentation also includes the current breakdown of at home learners and in school learners at each grade level.

Please don't hesitate to reach out by email with any further questions

Update from Dr. Chesson on Reopening.
October 30

News Bites Archives: Archives of all issues.

Your Health and Safety: Link to how we are keeping all learners and staff safe.

Important Flu Vaccine Reminder
Massachusetts Department of Public Health officials announced on August 19, 2020 that the influenza immunization (flu shot) will be required for all students attending Massachusetts pre-school and grades K-12 by December 31, 2020, regardless of whether the district is providing instruction in-person, hybrid, or remote learning model.

The new vaccine requirement is an important step to reduce flu-related illness and the overall impact of respiratory illness during the Covid-19 pandemic. It takes about two weeks after vaccination for antibodies to develop in the body and provide protection against the influenza virus. That's why it's best to get vaccinated before influenza viruses start to spread in our community.

Please send your child's school nurse proof of their flu vaccine record as soon as possible.

Thank you for helping keep our community safe and healthy!!

PARENTS FLOW CHART FOR NOTIFICATION OF ILLNESS

Please see the below link commonly asked questions about COVID illness from DESE

DESE FAQ OCT 12.docx

Travel Policy for Staff and Student 10/2020



Please take some time this week to check out the VLOG archives and enjoy one that you may have not had the time to watch yet. I am looking forward to VLOGGING on a book called Yardsticks. This book talks about the developmental space for school aged children and Hallmarks of their behavior at different ages. REMEMBER THAT YOU WILL BE GETTING NEWSBITES LESS FREQUENTLY. We will be sending the first Friday and the third Friday of each month.

Mrs. D VLOGS ARCHIVE

SURVEY for vlog ideas I am leaving this up for one more week in case you need more time!

Have a Wonderful Weekend! Kristin and Laura