



AMS Eagle News



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Dear AMS Families,

We have had some EXCITING events at AMS! Last Thursday it was a beautiful fall evening for Amsterdam Elementary School's FIRST EVER color run! While raising funds for ASHA, students, parents, and staff had tons of fun. I feel a new AMS tradition has been born!

This past week we also had a wonderful assembly presented by the Grand Falloons about recycling and littering. Students enjoyed the fast paced and funny assembly about how we all can reduce, reuse and recycle.

Next week AMS will be participating in Red Ribbon Week where our entire AMS community commits to living a drug free and healthy life. This year's theme is, "Be Kind to Your Mind. Live Drug Free!" Please find the Red Ribbon Week themes [here](#). Remember to bring back your Family Pledge Ribbon Back to School and wear your PJs on Monday!

Each year the Hillsborough Township Public Schools participate in the New Jersey Governor's Educators of the Year program. The nominations are now open for parents and community members to nominate an AMS teacher or staff member for this distinguished award. If you would like to nominate an AMS teacher or staff member for consideration for the 2023-2024 AMS Educator of the Year, please complete the [AMS Educator of the Year nomination form](#). Submissions will be accepted until Monday, November 3, 2023. Eligibility Criteria can be found [here](#).

It is hard to believe that Halloween is upon us! For parents assisting with class parties on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, the parking lot will be open from 8:00am - 8:30am. At 8:30 am, the parking lot will be closed to all vehicles in preparation for the 9:00am parade. Please see the parade route [here](#). If you arrive after 8:30am, please park along Amsterdam Drive, as shown [here](#). Please find more information outlining parking, parade, and costume reminders [here](#).

Voting for the pumpkin decorating contest begins on Monday, October 23, 2023 and concludes on Thursday, October 26, 2023. Winners will be announced at Friday's Pep Rally. Don't forget to have your students bring their coins for voting.

Finally, all elementary principals along with a member from the Board of Education, will be holding an Elementary Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 6:30 pm at Triangle Elementary School. This evening will be an opportunity for members of the community to ask questions regarding the upcoming referendum. Please complete the following [Elementary Townhall Meeting Sign-In and Question form](#) if you plan on attending.

Finally, please join us for an enlightening 3-night series on gifted education, presented by Meredith Thomas. These sessions are dedicated to unraveling the mysteries and challenges of gifted education. These sessions will be held at Auten Road Intermediate School and are designed to equip parents and educators with the knowledge and tools to support and nurture our gifted and talented students effectively. Please see this [link](#) for more information.

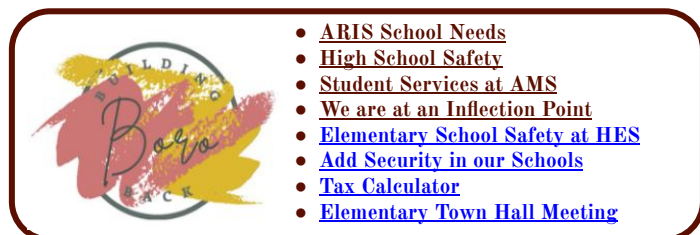
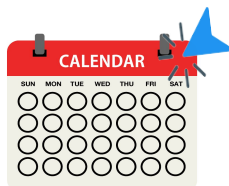
Have a wonderful (albeit rainy-again) weekend!

Michele Fisher



REMINDER

[Dismissal Change Form](#)



- [ARIS School Needs](#)
- [High School Safety](#)
- [Student Services at AMS](#)
- [We are at an Inflection Point](#)
- [Elementary School Safety at HES](#)
- [Add Security in our Schools](#)
- [Tax Calculator](#)
- [Elementary Town Hall Meeting](#)

Dates to Remember

- 10/24 - Building Boro Back Town Hall Meeting
Triangle Elementary School @ 6:30pm
- 10/27 - Pep Rally/Spirit Day - **Pink Out!** "Courage"
- 10/30 - Make-Up Picture Day
- 10/31 - Halloween Parade (9:00am)

- 🍂 Trunk-or-Treat coming up Saturday, October 28!
[click here](#) for more information – page 9.
- 🍂 For ASHA Meeting Minutes [click here](#).
- 🍂 Become an ASHA Member TODAY by completing the [ASHA Membership Form](#) and you will be added to the ASHA email distribution list.
- 🍂 Issues with [Community Pass](#) for paying membership dues have been resolved.
- 🍂 For ASHA Information and Events, [click here](#).

