



# PMMS School Nurse News March 2010



## Washington DC Trip

If your 8th grader is going to Washington and has any special health needs, please call the school nurse as soon as possible so any necessary accommodations can be made. Injuries and illness can come up at the last minute. Please call as soon as you can with any new issues.

As always, please remember that there is a medication policy in place. Any parent on the trip may provide all medications for his/her **own child only**. All other medications require a doctor's order and a three day supply of medication must be given to the school nurse no later than the Monday before the trip.

## Grade 7 Screening and BMI Letters

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, like most states, requires periodic health screenings for school children. A letter will be going home to the parents of 7th grade students including a health screening summary for each child, and an explanation of BMI results. Please feel free to call with any questions or concerns.**

It has been a great pleasure for me to work with the staff, parents, and students at PMMS for the last 8 1/2 years. I will be leaving for a new school nurse position in another district in early March. I have truly enjoyed your children, and thank you for all your support and kindness over the years.

Stay Healthy!!!!



## 7th Grade PHYSICALS Past Due

A PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS FOR NEW STUDENTS ARE OVERDUE. If you received a letter requesting an up to date physical, please send that in ASAP. For any questions about physicals, please call the school nurse @ 569-5951 X 109.

## Grade 6 Letters

Letters have gone out to the parents of sixth grade students containing information about requirements for seventh grade. A physical examination and updated immunization record are required. Also please carefully check the information for errors and incomplete screening referrals. Thank you.

## Medications

Medications to be given to students in school require both a physician order and a parental consent. This includes both prescription and over the counter medicines .

**Students may not carry medications to and from PMMS.** Medications must be picked up and delivered by an adult, and cannot be given without a physician order. **Please do not send your child to school with medicines.**

## Medications on Field Trips

If you need to take any medicine, including over-the-counter medications, and your parent is not going; you will need a physician order and parental consent on file with the nurse. Medications to be taken on the trip will be delegated to a teacher to administer.

**This policy applies to the Washington Trip**