

“When faced with a crisis, put a little spittle on each earlobe and exhale deeply through the nose. Then break a chopstick. All nervousness will disappear instantly. This is a secret matter.”

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As the old New England saying goes, if you don't like the weather, just wait a minute. Unfortunately, this weather fluctuation can occasionally cause some turmoil, such as the RJG Ski Trip. As those of you involved are aware, an unseasonable warm front, and associated rain, was the forecast for the Waterville Valley area last Saturday. While nothing is guaranteed, especially when predicting the weather, the idea of 150 soaking wet and miserable 12 and 13 year olds sitting around a ski lodge, not to mention the 2 hour bus ride home, seemed like a bad idea. Accordingly, the RJ Grey ski trip was postponed and has been rescheduled for next Saturday, February 11th. All students already signed up to go on the trip need to pick up a new permission slip from Mrs. Doiron and return it on Tuesday. Refunds will be available for those who do not attend to rescheduled trip. We appreciate your understanding and patience.

This week, in the cafeteria, Student Council representatives will be collecting money to purchase phone cards for members of the Massachusetts National Guard serving in Iraq. There will be a banner for students to sign that will be sent to Iraq, and Student Council members are writing notes to the soldiers to receive with their phone cards. Colonel Richard Hens, a social studies teacher who retired from R. J. Grey last year, is in Iraq, and he will distribute the phone cards to the soldiers. The high school Student Council is also participating in this fundraiser, and we hope to raise enough money to send phone cards to 150 soldiers to help them stay connected to their family members and friends.

The second term report cards were distributed last Friday. Parents and guardians, please be sure to sit and review this important document with your child. This is a great opportunity to offer praise for successes and support for those areas in need of improvement. While formal conferences are behind us, please remember that teachers are available by phone or email to address any questions or concerns you may have. When receiving feedback, students always benefit when home and school work together as a team.