

“If you can react the same way to winning and losing, that is a big accomplishment. That quality is important because it stays with you the rest of your life.”

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The only thing worse than the Patriots losing was the victory dance performed by the Colts fan in my house, formerly known as my daughter! At least the Bears are on their way and will give the Colts their walking papers.

Time is moving quickly and the end of the first semester is upon us. Thursday, January 25th marks the end of the second term and report cards are scheduled to be sent home the week of February 5. Everyone in our RJG family – parents/guardians, staff, and students alike – should be proud of the great learning that has taken place this year.

Congratulations to Bob Specian and to all our 7th and 8th grade Chorus members. They put on a wonderful concert last week that was extremely well attended. We are fortunate that our musical series continues this week with the Winter Band Concert on Tuesday, January 23. Under the leadership of Mark Hickey, the Acton-Boxborough Director of Performing Arts, both the 7th and 8th grade bands will be performing. The concert begins at 7:30PM; don't be late!

Last Wednesday, the RJG School Climate Survey was mailed home to parents and guardians. To simplify the feedback process, the survey was also posted on our website <http://ab.mec.edu/rjweb/index.html>. I would like to thank all of you who have already completed this survey and encourage everyone else to do so as well. Your input is essential to our understanding of your experience at RJG.

This coming Friday night (6:30-8:30PM), the Student Council is sponsoring the next 8th Grade Dance. Tickets are on sale in homeroom all week and, as always, will not be available at the door.

Lastly, don't forget to join me tonight, from 7:00 – 8:30PM, for our first Parent Information Forum, in the RJG Library. The focus for this evening will be on adolescent development and I hope to see you there.

Have a good week.