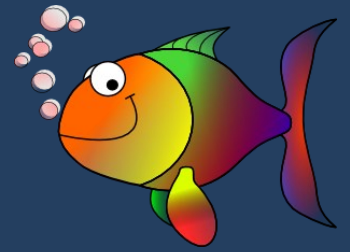


# MSMHS FISH TALES



that are true from the desk of Dr. Spera

Week of October 27, 2014

## MSMHS - Mystic Aquarium Collaborative Research Lab Begins



left to right: Dr. Spera; Mr. Litvinoff; Heidi Yeh, MSMHS-Mystic Aquarium Intern; Mr. Medvedev; and Dr. Paul Anderson, Mystic Aquarium Research Scientist

GROTON, CT - After months of planning and multiple versions of memorandum of understanding agreements, the dream that started at a Shellfish Conference with Mr. Litvinoff and Dr. Anderson that ended up in Dr. Spera's office a month later has now become a reality!

Mystic Aquarium in collaboration with Mr. Litvinoff and Mr. Medvedev will be conducting research in the field of ornamental aquaculture. The ultimate goal of the research is to discover ways to breed tropical ornamental fish that only come to pet stores and homes directly from the World's oceans and seas. These tropical ornamental fish, such as the Yellow Tang, have never successfully been bred in an aquaculture lab.

Mystic Aquarium has a desire to be the leaders in this field of ornamental aquaculture and are excited to partner with MSMHS and its staff to discover methods and trials that could lead to a first in the field of ornamental aquaculture! This partnership between MSMHS and Mystic Aquarium is an example of innovation and collaboration at its best!

### 2015 Bullying Pledge: JUST STOP!

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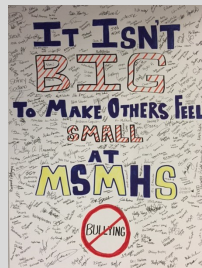


Tomorrow marks the fourth year that the entire MSMHS Family; students, teachers, parents, and community leaders will sign the safe school climate pledge.

On Tuesday, MSMHS students and teachers will sign this year's pledge of *JUST STOP*. Parents and community leaders will have the opportunity to sign the pledge beginning Wednesday morning. The campaign for this year's annual bullying pledge came from the Safe School Climate Committee and the Diversity Team. Both

groups wanted to end mean and inappropriate behavior of any kind. The idea behind *JUST STOP* is for the students of MSMHS to begin policing each other by calling fellow peers out when the line is crossed or mean behavior is being exhibited by saying just these two words.

A group of 14 students from the Diversity Team and the Executive Board of the Student Council are teaming up with a *JUST STOP* campaign that will begin in the Great Hall. Together we can *JUST STOP* bullying.



### PARENT TEACHER SIGN-UPS NOW AVAILABLE IN THE GREAT HALL

Parents wishing to sign-up for Parent-Teacher Conferences being held on November 5th and 6th can now sign-up for individual 10 minute conferences in the Great Hall. Parents/Guardians who are unable to sign-up in person can have their student sign-up for them beginning tomorrow morning. Time slots for Parent-Teacher Conferences are between 2:20 to 5 pm on Wednesday, November 5th and 5:20 to 8 pm on Thursday, November 6th.



### UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

#### A/B SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF October 27th

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
B Day	A Day/ Advisory	B Day	A Day	B Day/ Advisory

Senior Class Pie and Cookie Dough sale has been Extended through November 6th!  
Orders will be taken at Parent/Teacher Conferences.

PTO MEETING ON Monday, November 3rd @ 6:30

#### REMAINING PROJECT O TRIPS FOR 2014

Day	Classes Attending
OCT 22 (A)	All Field Research Classes (Blocks 3, 7, 8)
NOV 13 (A)	Per 1 – Marine Studies II – Howard
	Per 3 – Marine Studies II – Litvinoff
	Per 4 – Marine Studies II – Litvinoff
18 (B)	Per 5 – Marine Studies II – Litvinoff
	Per 8 – Marine Studies II – Zimmerlin
DEC 9 (A)	All Field Research Classes (Blocks 3, 7, 8)