

Deer Hill School News

April 2, 2015

Important Dates:

- 4/7 SEPAC, 7:00 pm, Pratt Library
- 4/7 METCO Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm, Mattapan Public Library
- 4/8, 4/9 Early Release (12:40) Parent Conferences
- 4/15 School Committee, 7:00 p
- 4/16 DH School Council
- 4/20 – 4/24 Spring Vacation
- 4/29 SEPAC Parent to Parent
- 4/30 *Favorites* Art Show
- 5/1 Buttonwood Book Fair

The PSO Basketball Showdown held on Friday night was a great success!

Over 900 tickets were sold and the crowd was very enthusiastic! A huge thank you to the entire Basketball Showdown committee, especially, Mary Burnieika, Shawna DiBona, Kim Donohue and Kristan Pavona for their tireless efforts. Thank you to everyone who made donations, volunteered or contributed in any way to make this event a success. A special thank you to Mrs. Berman for the beautiful Deer Hill banner and to Mrs. Lewis and the 5th grade members of the chorus for their fantastic rendition of the National Anthem. Finally, we would like to thank the faculty and parents who participated on our school teams, Coach Michael Weydt, Jennifer deChiara, Julie Bradford, Robyn Costa, Michael Lewis, Cassy O'Brien, Erica Parrell, Nick Pestone, Anne Burke, Tim Burnieika, Paul Kearney, Chris Kondrat, Mike Molloy, Michael Morin, Kevin Norgeot, Rafael Reyes, Bob Rogers and Natalie Young



CEF Hosts Spring Gala – Friday, April 10th

Are you ready for summer? The Cohasset Education Foundation is hosting its annual spring gala on Friday, April 10th from 7:00-11:00 pm at Atlantica on Cohasset Harbor. Come “Catch the Wave” and celebrate the arrival of spring with friends and neighbors you haven’t seen during this long winter!!

The event will feature performances from S. Shore students on ukulele and guitar from 7:00-8:15 pm followed by live music from the Armstrong Brothers Band. Come test out your surfing skills on the surfboard simulator and see if you can “hang ten” or “shoot the curl”. Purchase raffle tickets to win a stand up paddle board or bid on priceless services donated by parents, students and members of the Cohasset community. Visit the “wishing wall” to learn more about the grants that the CEF hopes to fund during the spring grant cycle. Please join us for a fun, casual evening celebrating and benefitting the Cohasset Public Schools. Ticket prices for the CEF Spring Gala start at \$75 per person and are tax-deductible donation. Ticket price includes signature drink and light fare.

Buy your tickets on-line today at www.cohasseteducation.org or at the door on the night of the event.

**Save the Dates: May MCAS
May 11th through 26th**

Math Sessions #1 and #2
Grades 3, 4 and 5

Science Sessions #1 and #2
Grade 5 only. Exact grade level dates will be announced as soon as possible.

Regarding MCAS participation: All students are required by law to participate in MCAS. Make ups are available for students who are absent due to illness up to the last day before test pick up. Except in the case of the 4th grade Long Composition, for which there is an alternate writing prompt, students may not leave MCAS midsession due to illness and resume testing when they are well. Therefore, it's better to keep your child at home if he or she is ill than to have them come to school for the sake of getting it done that day.

**Favorites 2015 Deer Hill Student
Art Exhibit: Thursday, April 30
from 7:00 – 8:30 pm.**

Each student has chosen his or her favorite artwork of the year to be included in this exhibit. We will also celebrate the unveiling of a very special 5th grade tile mural. There will be refreshments and music. All are invited to attend – you won't want to miss it!

Cradles to Crayons is seeking new and gently used clothing and shoes for children up to age 12. A collection bin will be located in the Deer Hill lobby from April 15 to May 8. This is the perfect time to donate items that don't fit or aren't used anymore. All donations will go to underserved children in Massachusetts. Thank you!

**Special Education Parent
Advisory Committee (SEPAC)
EVENT:**

Deciphering a Neuropsychological Report, Writing Measurable Goals, and Measuring Your Child's Progress
April 29, 2015, 7:00 – 8:30 pm

**Parent to parent Support Coffee,
11:00 – 1:00 pm**

At the home of Osgood Liaison Barbara Stefan. Topics are parent led and facilitated by SEPAC board. Great place for advice on anything from services to doctors and activities for siblings. Babies are welcome.

**Deer Hill Parent and Guardian
Survey**

Responses will be reviewed by the School Council at the April 16th meeting, so please get your responses in by April 15th. So far, we have 55 responses and are looking for many more. Your input will help us to create the School Improvement Plan for the 2015-2016 school year. Thanks!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DeerHill2015>

This newsletter can be found on the Principal's website at <http://jdechiara.weebly.com>