

Deer Hill School News

March 20, 2015

Important Dates:

3/20	End of Term 2
3/26	All District Band Concert, CHS Gym, 7:00
3/27	Deer Hill/Osgood Basketball Showdown, 7:00 pm, CHS gym
3/27	Progress reports go home
4/1	Early Release, (12:40)
4/2	DH PSO mtg. 9:30
4/2	Lost and Found Items donated to Salvation Army
4/7	SEPAC, 7:00 pm, Pratt Library
4/8, 4/9	Early Release (12:40) Parent Conferences
4/16	DH School Council
4/20 – 4/24	Spring Vacation
4/30	<i>Favorites</i> Art Show

From Ms. Connolly, Principal CMHS

Dear 5th Grade Families,

Students entering the 6th grade will soon be making decisions about the language they wish to study at the middle school as well as the type of music class they wish to take.

Grade 6 students can choose to study either French or Spanish. CMHS Department Chair Mrs. Jordan will be visiting the Deer Hill School to talk about each option with the students. Another choice for students to make is about music class next year. Students who play an instrument, or who wish to begin playing one, should choose band. Other options are chorus or general music.



Please watch for the selection sheet to come home with your child and return it as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Congratulations to Readathon Winners!

Readathon 2015 once again was a highlight of this year for our whole school. Congratulations to the grade level winners – Mr. Lewis' class for 5th grade, Mrs. Moser's class for 4th grade, and Mrs. Smith's class for 3rd grade. (Also – special mention to Mrs. Kelliher's class, where every student participated and contributed their reading logs! First ever in the history of the Readathon!)

Thank you to Mrs. Mary Henry and Mrs. Jenn Askjaer, co-directors of this year's Readathon, to Mrs. Kim Donohue for outstanding promotions and bulletin board, Mrs. Heather Nicholls for an outstanding slide show played at the Closing Ceremony, Mrs. Sarah MacDonald for boosting student achievement and directing student performances at the Opening Ceremony, and the Deer Hill School Faculty for promoting student participation!

It's a SLAM DUNK!

The PSO sponsored Osgood vs. Deer Hill Basketball Showdown is just one week away on Friday, March 27th! Doors open at 6:00PM with food, kids' raffles and silent auctions. Game starts at 7:00PM.

Come for dinner and stay to cheer on our Deer Hill faculty and parents as they play to keep the trophy this year! And don't miss JJ's Half Time Free Throw Contest!

There's still time to get discounted tickets and to sign up to volunteer online at www.bitly.com/osdhbasketball.

Show your Deer Hill school spirit by wearing NAVY BLUE to the game! To buy the newly redesigned Deer Hill long sleeve shirts for \$15...contact Rebecca Synnestvedt at rjsynn@aol.com or 781.383.0898.

Support our kids...support our schools...it's a SLAM DUNK!

Box Tops Challenge Winners!

Congratulations to Mrs. Parrell's Fourth Grade Class for winning the Box Top Trophy for February!

Keep clipping and sending in those box tops. Every dime counts, especially now we are reaching the end of the year. Clear out that stash you have put away, and send those box tops in with your child A.S.A.P! The student(s) at The Deer Hill School benefit and appreciate every single box top you take the time to turn in. Thank you from us all!

Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) EVENT:

Deciphering a Neuropsychological Report, Writing Measurable Goals, and Measuring Your Child's Progress

April 7, 2015, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Paul Pratt Library, Community Room

Presented by NESCA Neuropsychology.

5th GRADE PROMOTION CEREMONY...

The planning has begun!
The 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony is tentatively scheduled for Friday, June 26th! A flyer was emailed to 5th grade students last week. In order to get the pieces in place, we kindly request students send in their photo, donation, and questionnaire by Wednesday April 1st. Thank you in advance for your help! Any questions can be directed to co-chairs Marianne Fitpatrick (fitzpatrick23@verizon.net) or Jen Miller (jencoakleymiller@mac.com)

All District Band Concert, CHS Gym, 7:00 pm

The 2015 Cohasset District-Wide Band Concert featuring all band members from grades 4 through 12 will be held in the CHS gymnasium on Thursday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. Performers need to arrive at 6:00 p.m. and gymnasium doors will open for the audience at 6:45. Please have boys wear shirts and ties of any color. Most girls wear dresses or skirts, but anything neat and slightly dressier than everyday school clothes is fine. If you own one, please bring a portable music stand with your child's name on it.

Keeping Students Safe...

Before School: Drop off's before 8:15 am (band, before school activities) Drive up to the front door using the bus driveway.

Back doors open at 8:15 am. Please make sure your children are ready to exit the car on the right side only with minimal time devoted to goodbye's, looking for books, etc

Between 7:45 and 8:15 am – Please don't drive into the front parking lot in an attempt to avoid the drop off line in back. **Cars stopped at the flagpole to let out students create a backup of staff anxious to get into school and start the day on time. It also forces children to run across the bus lane unattended, which is not safe. Before 8:15 – use the bus lane. After 8:15 – use the back drop off line.**

(There is signage in front that says "Do Not Enter, Buses Only between 8:00 – 9:00 am," but that is outdated for our purposes. Use the bus lane before 8:15 and after 8:30 am.)

Pickups: Usually we are able to create a double lane of cars entering the back parking lot for pickups, alleviating the backup on Sohier Street. However, due to the snow, there isn't always enough room for two cars coming in with adequate egress for cars leaving. We have begun dismissing student pickups 5 minutes early in order to alleviate this situation, but we still ask for your patience as we try to move the line along as efficiently as possible without compromising student safety.