

# Hope School



"Where Children Come First"  
February 2011 Family Newsletter

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## Mark your Calendars!

The PTA survey indicated that a huge majority of parents preferred the girls' and boys' choice activities in lieu of the family dance this year. Parent volunteers have planned a:

**"Red Carpet" Ladies Choice Dinner Dance  
At the Cranston Country Club**

**May 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30-9:00**

Pictures. 6:00-6:30



## Talent Show

The annual Hope School Talent Show will be held Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Scituate High School Auditorium. Those students that are participating need to report at 6:40. A rehearsal is scheduled from 3:00-5:00 in the Hope School gym



Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. This event is always lots of fun! We hope to see many of you there even if your child is too shy to perform.

## Survey Works!

You are reminded that fourth and fifth graders will be participating in the Survey Works! student questionnaire on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Parents of these students should have already received a letter explaining the survey. Please return the opt out form if you do not wish your child to participate.

## Young Authors

Many of our students are busy writing this year's Young Author's books at school and at home. Our PTA has generously donated a hard cover book to each child for the creation of their "best sellers". Students that have completed a book in every grade will be awarded a special prize in fifth grade.



**Books must be submitted by  
Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.**

They will be on display at the Hope Public Library during winter vacation. The Annual Young Author's Celebration will be held in the Scituate High School Auditorium on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Every child that submits a book will be awarded a special medal of honor.



## Field Day

I know you must think we're crazy, but it's time to begin planning for Field Day. We have scheduled Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> for this event. Last year we almost had to make this a half day event or worse yet cancel it altogether due to a lack of parent volunteers. We scrambled at the last minute and were able to pull it off. This year we will not be able to accommodate people at the last minute due to the BCI procedures.

If you are thinking that you might like to volunteer, please get your BCI done soon. Some parents need to update theirs if it is older than one year. Feel free to call the office if you want to check on the date of your last one. We will be asking for volunteers by the first of April. It will be decided by April 13<sup>th</sup> if we will be able to have field day this year. If there are not enough volunteers it will be cancelled or changed to two half day sessions with activities taking place only on the playground. If you feel that this is important to your child, please volunteer!

### Alert Now Update!

Please be advised that if your primary contact number is your home phone, you will not get a call to your cell phone if an answering machine picks up. Some parents did not receive the early dismissal message on their cell phones or at work because the message was left on the home answering machine. If you would like your primary contact changed, please let us know!



### PTA

Dates for the next meetings:

- Monday, February 7
- Monday, April 4

Meetings are held at 6:30 PM in the Hope School Library. Please contact Mrs. Morton if you need childcare. Thanks to the PTA for providing Barnes and Noble gift cards to the grade level Spelling Bee winners.

## Important Upcoming Events



### February

- 1 Tuesday - NAEP Testing Grade 4
- 1 Tuesday - School Committee Meeting
- 3 Thursday - Learning Celebration 10:00

Reminder: there is limited space for parents

- 7 Monday - PTA, 6:30
- 9 Wednesday - District Spelling Bee, SHS 6:30
- 10 Thursday - Talent Show Rehearsal
- 11 Friday - Talent Show SHS 7:00
- 14 Monday - Young Author's Books due
- 14 Monday - Report Card Distribution

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE TO  
ACCOMMODATE SNOW DAYS!

### No School

~ Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> ~

Teacher Professional Development Day



### Winter Recess

~ February 21 - 25~