

Hope School



"Where Children Come First"
January 2010 Family Newsletter

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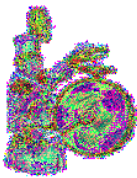
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Happy New Year!

Don't forget to write 2010 on your papers! This month the staff developers from Teachers College at Columbia University will be visiting our school district. Our work this year will continue the development and implementation of the Writing Units of Study for grades K-5. The team will visit each classroom at Hope School on Wednesday, January 6th. We have a professional development day scheduled for Friday, January 15th. Our focus on this day will be the Response to Intervention Process for supporting struggling learners and the "Words Their Way" program which enhances spelling and decoding strategies for all learners. Wishing everyone the best of health and happiness in 2010! Ms. Mowry

Navy Band Returns to Hope School

The Navy Band presented all of our students and staff with a fantastic band concert last month. Many students were chosen to participate in the concert.



Science Kits

All of our students have been very busy doing "Hands-On" Science activities this quarter. Fifth graders created original machines during

the teaching and learning of "Motion and Design".

PTA

We appreciate all the many parent volunteers and especially Mrs. Mountain for organizing this event. Our students enjoyed learning that it is sometimes more fun to give than receive!

Sunday, January 24th is Bruins Night for Hope School. Please mark it on your calendars!

Spelling Bees



This month, students in grades four and five will have the opportunity to participate in classroom, school, and district wide spelling bees. The winner of the district spelling bee will compete in the State competition representing Scituate Schools. Good luck to all of our spellers!



Student Council

The Student Council movie events were very well attended. We appreciate the very generous donation of popcorn from Showcase Cinemas at Warwick Mall. The donations of toys and stocking stuffers were used to make the holidays a little less stressful for many families in our town of Scituate. Thanks to all for your generosity. Look for daffodils to be popping up around our school sign next spring! The Student Council enjoyed planting the bulbs donated by the PTA.

Please note: The date of our next Learning Celebration has been changed to Thursday, February 11th at 10:00



Looking for a Volunteer!

We're looking for someone that is handy with some carpentry work to construct a set of "foot lights" for our Learning Celebrations. If you would like to volunteer for this project please let Ms. Mowry know ASAP.

Important Upcoming Events January



6 Wednesday - Columbia Staff Developers visit
12 Tuesday - 5th Grade Class Picture for Yearbook
14 Thursday - School Improvement Meeting, 3:30

~ NO SCHOOL~
Friday, January 15th
Teacher In-service

~ NO SCHOOL~
Monday, January 18th
Martin Luther King Day



22 Friday - Grades close second quarter
24 Sunday - PTA Bruins Night
Dunkin' Donuts Center
28 Thursday - Hope School Spelling Bee, 1:20

February

1 Monday - Next Round of HEP begins



Report Card Distribution is
Tuesday, February 2nd

4 Thursday - Talent Show Rehearsal
5 Friday - Talent Show
8 Monday - District Spelling Bee
HS Auditorium, 6:30
11 Thursday - Learning Celebration, 10:00