

Hope School



"Where Children Come First"
June 2009 Family Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Wow! It's hard to believe that our school year is almost over. I would like to thank all families and students for the wonderful support I have received this first year as your principal at Hope School. It has been a privilege to serve all of you in this capacity. I have worked hard to accomplish the goals shared with you last September at Open House. What a pleasure it is to greet the students each morning by name. I have thoroughly enjoyed my daily classroom visits to learn about teaching and learning at Hope School. It has been fun to continue some of our favorite traditions such as Pasta for Pennies and School Spirit Week while adding a couple of new ones like Learning Celebrations and Reading Week competitions. I am so proud to be the principal of this terrific school! I look forward to our continued partnership in the years ahead. Ms. Mowry

PTA Events

Special thanks to this year's PTA officers Donna Bonneau, President; Christine Morton, Vice President; and Mary Pietrantozzi, Treasurer.

Our new officers are:

- President - Christine Morton
- Vice President - Robin Hill
- Secretary - Alayna Berek
- Treasurer - Sasha Stein

We are grateful to these parents for volunteering their time and energy!



Military Children

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, also called "Combat Stress", among the military is a growing concern that the military is finally realizing and addressing. The effects of PTSD are not limited to a soldier; they extend to spouses, children, and parents. There is currently a push within nursing and in public/community health to identify military children as they are considered a "vulnerable group". One of our parents, Mrs. Lucia Napoli Amado has been assigned to the Scituate Health Alliance as part of her Nursing School requirements at Rhode Island College. She has chosen this topic as her Education Project. Mrs. Amado has personal knowledge of the issues that can confront families of the military as her husband is in the US Army.

We would like to ask families of Hope School to help Mrs. Amado with her project by completing a short questionnaire. Please call the school if you would like a copy.

We will recognize these students for their service and sacrifice at our final Learning Celebration. Feel free to call the school or Mrs. Amado at 615-1994 if you have any questions.

Bicycle Safety

On Wednesday, June 17th representatives from US Open Cycling will be with us to discuss bicycle safety. They have also offered to work with the children on properly fitting bicycle helmets. In conjunction with this program we will be celebrating bicycle helmet day! All teachers and students are encouraged to wear their bicycle helmet to school on this day.



Learning Celebration

The fourth quarter Learning Celebration will be held on Thursday, June 18th at 10:00 AM! If you haven't had a chance to attend yet this year we would love to see you.

"Pasta for Pennies" Celebration

On Wednesday, May 20th, Mrs. Fornaro's second grade class enjoyed their well earned pasta lunch donated by Olive Garden for raising the most money for the school-wide fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Hope school collected over \$3,000 for this worthy cause!

Extended Day Celebration

Many students at Hope School have been participating in Extended Day classes throughout this school year. We congratulate these students in grades 2 - 5 for coming to school early or staying late to study extra in reading or math. We are thankful to Mrs. Hughes, Miss Gauvin, and Mrs. Zito for teaching these very dedicated students. The program would not have been a success without the support of our parents who provided transportation and encouragement to these students.

Up Coming Events



Friday, June 5 - Grade 3 Field Trip, Tour of Scituate
Wednesday, June 10 - Move up night for grade 5
6:30-7:30 at the Middle School
Thursday, June 11 - Grade 2 Play
in the cafeteria at 2:00
Friday, June 12 - Fun Day
Monday, June 15 - Fun Day Rain Date
Wednesday, June 17 - HELMET DAY!
Thursday, June 18 - Learning Celebration
10:00, Gym
Friday, June 19 - Grade 5 Hope Pond
Friday, June 19 - Grade 2 to Mystic Aquarium
Monday, June 22 - Grade 3 Play
in the cafeteria at 1:30
Tuesday, June 23 - Kindergarten Celebration 9:30
Wednesday, June 24 - Grade 5 Celebration 10:00



~Friday, June 26~
Last Day of School

Have a wonderful
vacation!

We look forward to seeing
you in the fall.