

Hope School



"Where Children Come First"
March 2009 Family Newsletter

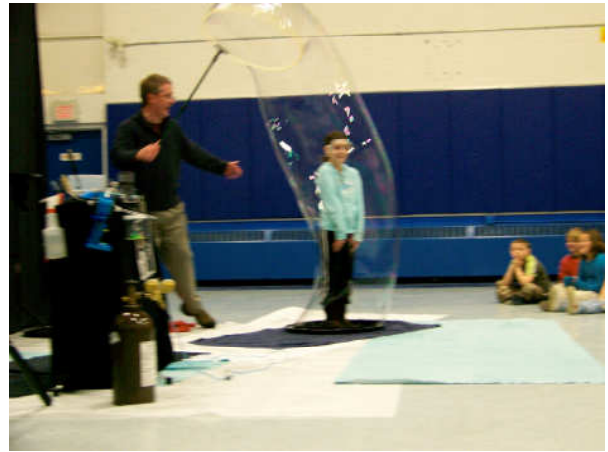
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Message from the Principal

Teachers and I will soon begin the process of creating class lists for the 2009-2010 school year. If parents have any concerns that they would like to share with me regarding the placement of their child next year, I would ask that you send me a letter stating any issues that you would like us to consider before April 1st. Typically we do our best to develop classes that are well balanced. For example: equal number of boys and girls, a good mix of students with varying abilities and performance levels, even distribution of challenging students, etc. We will continue our inclusion practices for special needs students into the next school year. Teachers and I will make every effort to place each child in a learning environment that will best meet his or her needs. Please note that it may not be feasible to honor every parent request. Ms. Mowry

"The Secret World of Bubbles"



Mr. Johnson places Jessica Gibree inside a bubble! Thank you to the PTA form bringing this special presentation to Hope School this month. We learned a lot of science in a very fun way!

Student Council Spirit Week

March 9th - 13th

- Monday - Sports Day
- Tuesday - Mismatch Day
- Wednesday - Career Day
- Thursday - PJ Day
- Friday - Class Color Day

The PTA has generously offered to award prizes to those classes that demonstrate the most school spirit during the week!

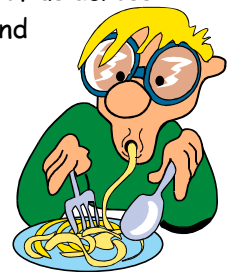
2009-2010 Calendar

Please see the attached school calendar for next year.

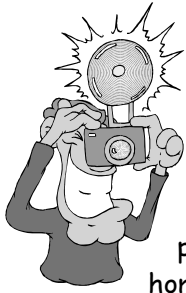
We would appreciate families referring to it when planning family vacations. Thank you.

Pasta for Pennies

It's that time of year again for all of us across America to gather up our change and send it into school to support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Please count your donation at home, write down the amount, and place it in a lunch baggie along with the change. This will help the Student Council to keep track of our progress each day on our special graph. The class that donates the most will be treated to a catered lunch donated by Olive Garden... Grazie! We thank Mrs. Donna Petrarca for organizing this event.



Spring Pictures



New to Hope School this year is spring pictures. Lifetouch Picture Company will be here on Thursday, March 19th to take pictures of your child in a pose of your choosing. **SEND NO MONEY NOW!** When the pictures arrive they will be sent to your home where you can purchase those that you choose and send the others back. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want an individual portrait of your child taken.

Hope Kids Care

Miss Gauvin's fifth grade class, along with Mrs. Hughes culminated a study of persuasive writing recently. Students decided to persuade the entire Hope School community to join together and collect items and funds for the Scituate Animal Shelter. Students planned a kick-off campaign at the school wide Learning Celebration where they presented their ideas. They wore T-shirts with the Friends of the Scituate Animal Shelter logo, made persuasive posters, wrote newsletters, and delivered daily school wide announcements. Representatives from the Friends of the Scituate Animal Shelter visited the fifth grade class to show a video and discuss the shelter's needs. The Hope School community was able to raise many needed materials including: pet food, clean towels, and cat and dog toys. Students raised \$1000.00 in monetary donations as well. We are very proud of these students and teachers!

Fifth Grade Parent Night

A parent night will be held on Tuesday, March 3rd at Clayville Elementary School Library Media Center from 6:30-8:30 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to address issues of physical, social and emotional changes during puberty and related fifth grade curriculum. Our three elementary school nurse/teachers will host this event. We ask that only adults attend. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Meyer, Hope School Nurse/Teacher.

Important Upcoming Events

Pasta for Pennies ~ March 2 - 20 ~



Tuesday, March 3 - Fifth Grade Parent Night,
Clayville Media Center 6:30
Tuesday, March 3 - School Committee
Friday, March 6 - PTA Family Bingo
Cafeteria and Gym, 6:00

Student Council School Spirit Week ~ March 9 - 13 ~

Saturday, March 14 - State Spelling Bee
Lincoln Middle School
Tuesday, March 17 - School Assembly "Together"
10:30 & 12:30
Tuesday, March 16 - Dr. Filippelli,
Principal of Scituate Middle School
will visit our fifth grade students

Spring Picture Day ~ March 19 ~

Wednesday, March 25 - Kindergarten Registration

Reading Week ~March 30 - April 3~