

Hope School



"Where Children Come First"
June 2010 Family Newsletter

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Survey Works

The Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) is working with local school districts to offer the state's new student survey, *Survey Works!* This is a modified version of the traditional SALT survey that has been conducted in the past. Participation in this survey will help improve our schools and support better teaching and learning for all students in Scituate and across Rhode Island. The information collected from this survey will help educators to improve curriculum and programs so that schools can better serve the needs of your child. Data collected may be used to secure funding for services based on student interests. Parents can use this information to better understand what students like and don't like about their schools.

Fourth and fifth graders of Hope School are being asked to participate in this survey on Tuesday, June 8th under the supervision of Ms. Mowry and their teachers. The computer survey will take approximately 25 minutes to complete. Your child's participation in the survey is voluntary and anonymous; no names will be used or reported. If you would like to see a "hard copy" of the survey, please stop by the school office.

If you do not want your child to participate, please complete the forms that were sent home or call the school office ASAP. Please communicate to your child that they will not be completing the survey. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me.
Thank you, Ms. Mowry

Students in the second grade got "up close and personal" with one of the many friends from Regal Reptiles.



Ms. Mowry got into the act too!



The Hope School garden is finally underway!

Our dream of making the side entrance to our school more friendly and welcoming is coming true. Thanks to the help of Mr. Hesford and the Gention Garden Club, the construction of a large perennial flower garden has been completed. The success of our many FeinsteIn community service projects has made it possible to purchase the materials and plants that were needed. When people look at our beautiful garden they will see many colorful flowers each representing the good deeds of all our students.

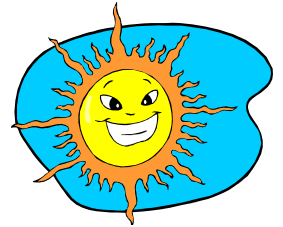
The PTA has generously agreed to purchase a large sign that will also welcome families and visitors to Hope School with our school motto "Where Children Come First".

Field Trips

- Kindergarten - May 21
Providence Children's Museum
- Grade 1 - June 16
Bristol Audonbon Society
- Grade 2 - June 18
Mystic Aquarium
- Grade 3 - June 11
Tour of Scituate
- Grade 3 - June 2
Old Sturbridge Village
- Grade 4 - May 26
State House Tour
- Grade 5 - June 9
Boston Freedom Trail



Step It Up Summer Program



Teachers often notice that students return in September without the same high level of skills that they left school with in June. Parents often ask for teachers to send home schoolwork for their children to do in the summer. In an effort to resolve this problem, a committee of teachers has developed summer packets for all grade levels. They have included many academic activities that all students should be able to accomplish while at the same time having fun. Students that participate in this program will be able to earn prizes for their hard work. The ultimate reward will be coming back to school in September ready to go! We would like to ask parents to please encourage your child(ren) to complete the grade appropriate packet.

Important Upcoming Events



- 2 Wednesday - Grade 5 Move Up Night
Middle School 6:30
- 3 Thursday - Learning Celebration 10:00
- 7 Monday - PTA 6:30
- 8 Tuesday - Grade 4 & 5 Survey
- 10 Thursday - RIF
- 11 Friday - Hope Pond Event for Grade 5
- 15 Tuesday - Grade 2 "Sounds a Little Fishy to Me"
Cafeteria 2:00
- 15 Tuesday - Art's Night 6:00 PM, Concert 7:00 PM
- 17 Thursday - Kindergarten Celebrations
- 21 Monday - Fifth Grade Celebration 9:30

~ Wednesday, June 23 ~ Last Day of School



Have a safe and happy summer!
See you on Thursday, September 2nd.
Ms. Mowry