

Hope School



“Where Children Come First”
February 2009 Family Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Whew! January flew by with many activities at Hope School. The teachers and I have had many learning opportunities with reading and mathematics professional development. We had several wonderful school wide assemblies. Thanks to the PTA for bringing author/illustrator Mary Jane Begin to our school to share her work and inspire our artists and writers. It's hard to believe that we are already half way through this school year! Ms. Mowry

Learning Celebration



Our second Learning Celebration was a tremendous success! Thanks to the many parents that joined us for this very special school assembly. The Student Council did a fabulous job introducing the many participants. We are anxiously awaiting the third quarter presentation.

NAEP Testing

On February 11, 2009, fourth graders of Hope School will take part in the "National Assessment of Educational Progress" also known as "the Nation's Report Card." All students are encouraged to do their best so our Nation can do well. We would like our fourth graders come to school on time, well rested with a good breakfast on this date. Testing will begin promptly at 9:10. Any parent may exclude their child from this testing by written request. If you have any questions please call the school office.



Hope School Spelling Bee Winners

The cafeteria was a buzz on Friday, January 23rd as fourth and fifth grade classroom spelling bee finalists competed for the honor of representing Hope School at the District Spelling Bee. First place winners emerged after many rounds of competition. The audience was spell bound as the contestants for second and third place worked hard to spell the final word in many tense rounds. Winners were awarded Borders gift certificates. We wish our spellers the best of luck at the District Bee scheduled for Monday, February 2nd in the High School Auditorium.

Parent Input Requested

The School Committee is thinking of developing a policy regarding eating and drinking in the classroom for students and staff. They are seeking input from parents. If you are interested in sharing your perspective, there will be a focus meeting on Thursday, February 12th in the Hope School Library at 3:15. Please call the school if you are able to attend at 821-3651. You may also forward your comments to my email jmowry@scituateri.net. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendars!

Hope School's Field Day is scheduled for Friday, June 12th with a rain date of Monday, June 15th. Again we will be looking for many parent volunteers. More information will follow.

Important Upcoming Events

Monday, February 2 - PTA Meeting
3:30 Library
Monday, February 2 - District Spelling Bee
6:30 HS Auditorium
Everyone is welcome to attend.



**Report Card Distribution is
Tuesday, February 3rd**

Tuesday, February 3 - School Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 5 - Talent Show Rehearsal
3:15 Hope School Cafeteria
Thursday, February 5 - SIT Meeting
3:30 Conference Room
Friday, February 6 - PTA Talent Show
HS Auditorium
Sunday, February 8 - PTA Family Dance
1:00 West Valley Inn

**School Spirit Week Correction
~ Not February 9 - 13 ~
It will be held from March 9-13**

Wednesday, February 11 - NAEP Grade 4
Thursday, February 12 - School Assembly
"Bubble Guy" sponsored by our PTA
Thursday, February 12 - Policy Meeting
3:30 Library
Friday, February 13 - RIF Book Distribution
Sponsored by the PTA

**Winter Vacation
~ February 16 - 20 ~**