

Hope School



Janice L. Mowry
Principal

"Where Children Come First"

Telephone: 401-821-3651
email: jmowry@scituateri.net

A Feinstein Leadership School Spring 2011 Good Deeds Newsletter

"Helping to better the lives of others is the greatest of all achievements." Alan Shawn Feinstein

Pasta for Pennies

Special thanks to all Hope School families for your very generous donations to our Pasta for Pennies fundraiser. Our school collected **\$2,480.50** to support cancer research in conjunction with the National Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Congratulations to Mrs. Napolitano and Mrs. Mountain's classes for earning a free pasta lunch from Olive Garden for raising the most money.



Alan Shawn Feinstein is founder of the Feinstein Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to helping the needy and empowering students of all ages to help better their communities. The Feinstein annual spring campaign against hunger has become the most successful effort to fight hunger of all times. 40,000 plus Rhode Island Jr. Scholars and their teachers spearhead this campaign each year.

Did you know that Mrs. Zito's class donated books to the students in Foster that lost many school supplies when the roof fell in from the snow? Great job!

Family Bingo

Proceeds from Family Bingo were donated to the Pasta for Pennies campaign.



Many thanks to Mrs. Bonneau and Mr. Paulhus who skillfully called the Bingo letters and numbers! We'll miss them next year.

"As a Feinstein Leadership School, we are committed to teaching our students to be caring of others."

Jump Rope for Heart



Miss Shewchuk and Mr. Ceprano, our physical education teachers, organized the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart program during the month of April. Our students joined millions of other children across the country in a meaningful opportunity to learn and help others. They learned how their hearts work and how to take care of them through physical activity and nutrition. They also learned about children who have been affected by cardiovascular diseases and how they can help them.

"Have You Filled a Bucket Today?"

Hope School kicked off a character education program in February. Teachers read the story, Have You Filled a Bucket Today? to all students in their classes.

This book was written by Carol McCloud. "The bucket represents a child's mental and emotional health. You can't see the bucket, but it's



there...Children who learn how to express kindness and love lead happier lives. When you love and care about others and show that love with what you say and do, you feel good and you fill your own bucket too."

With the help of Mr. Feinstein, many materials were purchased to support our new program. All staff and students wear their red, white, and blue bracelets that remind us daily to fill someone's bucket.

In addition, each month we are going to focus on one positive character trait. In February, students and teachers discussed the trait of caring. Classroom posters are displayed with a bulleted list of what the trait is all about. The list is published in the family newsletter for parents to discuss the trait with their children at home. Students and adults brought in canned goods for the local food bank to demonstrate this trait on Valentine's Day.

Students that are observed filling someone's bucket or demonstrating the monthly character trait are given

paper hearts or stars to place in classroom buckets. At the end of the month all the hearts and stars are poured into a large school bucket. We conduct a school wide drawing where many children earn small prizes that were purchased through Feinstein Funding.



Mrs. Marchetti and Mrs. Rutherford created this beautiful mural that greets everyone each day as they enter our school building.

Student Council School Spirit Fridays



Spirit Fridays will begin on April 29th. Each week the student council will be asking students and staff to show their school spirit by participating in a spirit activity. You will also be asked to bring in a small donation to help a community organization.

- April 29 - Sports Day
Donate to "Autism Speaks" in honor of Autism Awareness Month

- May 6 - Tiara and Tie Day
Donate band-aids, bubbles, and crayons to the "Tomorrow Fund"



- May 13 - Crazy Hat or Hair Day
Donate canned goods to the Scituate Food Bank

- May 27 - PJ Day
Donate cat and dog food for the Scituate Animal Shelter



**Thank you Mr. Feinstein for
bringing the presenters from
Mystic Aquarium to Hope
School!**

We learned many interesting facts
about shore animals. Our favorite



animal was the horseshoe crab. It was
really cool to see the live animal
projected on the screen!



Ms. Mowry volunteered to dress up as
a starfish to help teach students
about this very unusual animal. Did
you know that's its stomach pops out
when it eats?