Hosmer School Weekly Newsletter

May 5, 2010

Upcoming Events

◆ May 5
 Massachusetts’ Walk to School Day

◆ May 5
 Early Dismissal
 12:15pm

◆ May 5
 Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon

◆ May 7
 6th Annual Art & Music Extravaganza
 6:30-8:30pm
 2nd Fl. Connector and Auditorium

◆ May 14
 PTO Meeting
 8:30-10:30am
 Hosmer Cafeteria

◆ May 14
 5th Grade Social
 6:00-8:00pm
 Middle School

Message from the Principals’ Office

Ask your children to tell you about the TIGER presentation - A Bully is not your friend…yet. This performance and follow-up classroom workshops were made available to all students in grade 2-5 through the generosity of the PTO. Each letter in the word TIGER represents a strategy all children can use to help respond to bully-like behavior in our community. Tell an adult, I can say “NO”, Don't Gossip, Exit when necessary, and respond with Respect are five strategies for everyone to use in difficult situations. We have received only positive feedback from students, teachers and parents on the TIGER presentations. We look forward to continuing the momentum this presentation has provided to promote positive interactions in our school. Keep your eyes open for more information on this important topic and talk to your children about using these strategies when necessary. Enjoy good friendships!

Sincerely,
Anne Hardiman and Bill McCarthy, Co- Principals

PTO News and Events

Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
May 3rd to May 7th

The PTO has several thank you gifts planned for the teachers and staff but we need your help too!

On Wednesday, the PTO is hosting a Cinco de Mayo Lunch for all Hosmer teachers and staff.

Please help us by donating:

Desserts - PreK - 2nd grades
Drinks and Water - 3rd - 5th grades

Parent volunteers are also needed on May 5th to help with:

Set up - 9:30 am
Serving - 11:30 am
Clean up - 1:30 pm

Please email hosmer.appreciationweek@gmail.com with your availability or any questions.

MAY 7TH! Doors open at 6:30pm, Concert begins at 7:00pm; Admission: $7 per person, $20 per family. This year’s event will feature displays of art by Hosmer students; music and dance performances by the Hosmer community; refreshments; and raffle tickets to win great prizes - including the Grand Prize, a 24” mountain bike from Wheelworks! In addition, children can enjoy face painting for only $2 per person, or $5 max per family. All proceeds benefit the Hosmer School PTO. See flyers on next page!

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REMEMBER… ROAD CONSTRUCTION!

The roadway in front of Brigham House and the cafeteria will be closed on Thurs., May 6th. Brigham House will be working on the road surface area and entrance. Driving on the access road will not be permitted.

It’s GREEN WEEK at Hosmer See pg. 3 for details!

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5th Grade Column

5th Grade Social Permission Slips Due

Last Call for Baby Photos/Ads

The 5th Grade Social: Permission slips went out last week for the event which will be held at the Middle School on Friday, May 14th. The Social is for 5th grade students from Cunniff, Hosmer and Lowell Schools. It will be a great night with food, a DJ, and trivia! Please return your permission slips and payments by Thursday, May 6th.

Baby Photos/Ads: 5th graders, if you haven’t already done so, please submit your baby picture for the GUESS WHO section of the yearbook. You can give a picture to your teacher (it will be returned) or you can email a picture to Kathy Maldonado at: kathy@vsmlaw.com (Please Title Baby Picture for email).

Also: If you want to submit an Ad or Congratulations/Shout-out for the 5th Grade Yearbook, PLEASE submit it by May 5th. Costs = 1/8 page $10; 1/4 page $15; 1/2 page $25; Full page $50. The teachers have extra order forms if you need one.

Any questions, please contact either Kathy Maldonado at above email or Mary O’Neill-Kerrigan at: marykeithrc@comcast.net or (617) 924-6598.

Extravaganza Raffle Tickets will be sent home with students this week.

$1 per ticket; 25 tickets for $20

To download Extravaganza Raffle Tickets (right), please visit the PTO website at: http://teacherweb.com/MA/Hosmer/HosmerPTO/Extravaganza-Annual-Raffle-05-10.pdf
GREEN WEEK at the HOSMER
“Our Habitat”

Monday: Kick-off of Green Week: First Green Question of the Day
Tuesday: Wear Animal-Themed Clothing
Wednesday: The Biggest Walkingest Wednesday of them All!
Thursday: Pack a “Green Lunch”
Friday: Wear Green Day

Word Wizard

The word wizard word of the week is appreciation. It was chosen by the PTO. Appreciation can be a noun or a naming word and it can also be an adjective or describing word. The PTO is honoring all teachers with an appreciation luncheon this week. The teachers are in great appreciation of this honor. The root of the word is a verb “appreciate,” an action word. We should all make every effort to appreciate each other.

Please remember to use the word often in your family discussions and don’t forget to send in a word for the Word Wizard box that we may select on the last week of the month. Please blog us at our website with different ways that you used our new word, any suggestions you may have, or to give us feedback at: http://teacherweb.com/MA/WatertownHosmerElementary/wordwizards/links1aspx

If you missed the Gently-Used Clothing Sale in April, here is your chance to take advantage of the great items and bargains during the Town Wide Yard Sale on May 15. The sale will take place from 9:00-11:30am in the Hosmer Cafeteria. All items are $1.00!

GREEN WEEK at Watertown’s 1st annual “Donation & Recycling Event”

80 Mt Auburn Street
St John’s Methodist Church
1:00 to 5:00

We are able to accept the following items:
\(\bigcirc\) sheets, towels, blankets and used cat carriers for the Cat Connection in Watertown
\(\bigcirc\) books, records, CD, DVDs & VHS (no magazines or encyclopedias)
\(\bigcirc\) ink cartridges—processes benefit WCES
\(\bigcirc\) prescription and nonprescription eyeglasses for the Belmont Lion’s Club
\(\bigcirc\) electronics: only cell phones, MP3 players, PDAs and digital cameras
\(\bigcirc\) clothing and small appliances for Big Brothers Big Sisters
\(\bigcirc\) Used athletic shoes to be recycled by Nike—NO CLEATS
\(\bigcirc\) Building materials, see http://www.footprints.org/footprintsdonates.html for details

Don’t miss our composting demonstration as well as displays by Watertown Recycling Committee and Chemical Use Reduction Education (CURE).

You might win a reusable stainless steel water bottle, a recycling bin, a compost bin or a rain barrel for your garden!

This event is brought to you by WCES

May 15

Save the date for Watertown’s 1st annual “Paper Shredding Event”

80 Mt Auburn Street
St John’s Methodist Church
9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Watertown residents:

Do you have papers & documents that you don’t want to recycle because they contain personal information?

Then attend our free paper shredding event and watch your documents shredded on-site, right before your eyes. Services provided by ProShred

This event is brought to you by WCES
Renewal

**Film & Discussion by Filmmaker Marty Ostrow**

Renewal is the first feature-length documentary film to capture the vitality and diversity of today’s religious-environmental activists. From within their Christian, Jewish, Buddhist and Muslim traditions, Americans are becoming caretakers of the Earth. These women, men and children are re-examining what it means to be human and how we live on this planet. Their stories of combating global warming and the devastation of mountaintop removal, of promoting food security, environmental justice, recycling, land preservation, and of teaching love and respect for life on Earth are the heart of Renewal.

**Thursday, May 13, 2010**
7:00 pm

**Watertown Free Public Library**
123 Main Street
Watertown, MA 02472

FREE to the Public

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Watertown Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council

Watertown Savings Bank