

Hosmer School Weekly Newsletter

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October Events

- ◆ **School Committee Mtg**
Monday, October 3
6:30pm, Location TBD
- ◆ **SITE COUNCIL**
Tuesday, October 4
6:30pm, Hosmer School Library
- ◆ **PTO MEETING**
Friday, October 7
8:30am, Cafeteria
- ◆ **NO SCHOOL**
Monday, October 10
Tuesday, October 11
- ◆ **Principal's Coffee**
Friday, October 14
8:30am, Cafeteria
- ◆ **HARVEST FESTIVAL**
Wednesday, October 19
6pm, cafeteria/large gym
(see attached flyer!)

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Thanks!

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Message from the Principal's Office

Hello, Hosmer Families!

It was wonderful to see so many parents attend Back to School Night on September 22nd. This event provides an opportunity for teachers to share information with parents on curriculum, classroom/school procedures and their expectations for students. During the general meeting, parents were introduced to new staff as well as new initiatives at the school. Marilyn Salvas shared information on the use of iParent, which is a tool for parents to access student records and update informational data on their child. Parents were also given a sneak preview of our new positive behavior protocol for our school community. A presentation for parents on this new "code of conduct" is the focus topic for the next Principal's Coffee on Friday, October 14th at 8:30am in the cafeteria. Have a great week!

Sincerely,
Anne Hardiman, Principal

PTO News and Events

We look forward to seeing (and meeting) all parents at the first full PTO meeting on **Friday, October 7, 8:30am.**

We are currently in need of a PTO Co-Treasurer. Please let anyone on the Executive Board know if you are interested in volunteering.

Also, does your classroom have a parent representative? Please ask your teacher, and consider volunteering for this position. Each classroom should have two parent representatives.

Here is a bit of info about some of the things that will be coming home in the backpacks:

PTO DUES:

You should have received a PTO dues envelope, please note that **100% of all PTO Dues collected go directly back to children in the Hosmer School** - and they are tax deductible! Nothing is too small or too big - so please be as generous as possible and return your envelopes as soon as possible. Extra PTO Dues envelopes will also be available in the Main Office.

FUNDRAISER:

Meadow Farms fundraiser orders are due on **September 28th**. You may pass in a paper order at school or order at www.meadowfarms.com. This is the easiest way to have friends and family participate!

This is one of the biggest PTO fundraisers of the year - last year we made almost \$5,000! 100% of this money funded art programs, cultural events, website memberships and more for our kids last year. It is so crucial that you continue your support so we can continue to fund these programs. Thank you.

ONLINE INFORMATION:

Feel free to visit our website online at: www.watertown.k12.ma.us/hosmer
Go to the School Information Tab
Go to PTO link
This will bring you to our page with lots of information under each tab.

WE are NOW on FACEBOOK!

Please "like" us on facebook at
Hosmer School PTO.

Activities and reminders will be posted frequently. All parents and teachers are welcome to "like" us. Thanks!

Hosmer PTO Executive Committee

President

Jennifer Fandetti

Co-Vice-Presidents

Liz Yusem
Sasha Kiani

Co-Treasurers

Chris Darmody
OPEN POSITION

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Judy Beecher
Jennifer Moore

Hosmer GLRs (Grade Level Reps)

Pre-K: Lauren Berkowitz

K: Alicia Dwyer

1st: Talin Kugu

2nd: Thea Sahr

3rd: Zlati Shishkova

4th: Lorena Moynihan

5th: Laura Segal

5th: Mary Beth Doyle

5th: Beth Gorman (activities)

Hosmer Site Council

The Hosmer Site Council is an advisory Council to the Principal that helps identify areas of improvement for the school, helps develop frameworks for improvement, and also helps monitor progress towards improvement.

The Site Council membership includes parents, teachers, the Principal, and a community member. Parents are needed to serve on this Council. Any parent who is interested in becoming an elected member of the Site Council for a 2-3 year term should write a letter of interest to Anne Hardiman, Principal and Jennifer Fandetti, PTO President.

If you are not sure about how the Site Council works and want to check it out, the first meeting is on Tuesday, October 4th at 6:30pm in the Hosmer library.

Site Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm and are open to everyone. Please feel free to come to the meetings!

Community Safe Routes to School Walking Wednesdays begins this Wednesday, September 28th! International Walk to School Day is Wednesday, October 5th!

Please contact the CSRTS coordinator, Jeannette, at (339)-368-1761 if you are interested in leading a Walking School Bus. If you can't walk the whole way to school, you can still participate – join a walking school bus or just drive part of the way and then walk the rest! Bus riders and students participating in before school programs can join a special march around the Hosmer before the school day begins.

October is Watertown Walks to School Month. Look for announcements about this important Town-Wide Proclamation supporting Community Safe Routes to School soon! Many thanks to all of the parent and community volunteers who make this a fun and safe program for all!

Hosmer's Word Wizard

Stay tuned...
Word Wizard will return
shortly!

Might As Well Jump...

Melissa Dewing in the Opportunity Room is looking for a "new or gently used" indoor trampoline. If you have one that you'd like to donate, please contact her at:
mdewing@watertown.k12.ma.us
THANKS!

Calling 5th Grade Parents!

We need parents of 5th graders to join the **5th Grade Committee!** Thanks to all the parents who have signed up so far! The Committee will work on planning and implementing the various 5th grade activities including: graduation ceremony, the 5th grade school-wide social and the assembly of a yearbook.

If you have time, ideas, or a skill that you would like to lend to the Committee, please contact Beth Gorman at bethgorman@yahoo.com.

**GET YOUR CAR WASHED FOR A GOOD CAUSE!
CUNNIFF SCHOOL 5th GRADE CAR WASH**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST
10AM - 2PM
CUNNIFF ELEMENTARY**

\$6/vehicle

BAKE SALE & RAFFLES, TOO!



We love our music program and are committed to offering the best to the students of Watertown. The Music Department needs your help to restore programming cut in last year's budget and keep the whole music program vital, enriching, and inspiring!

For more information, visit the new website for
Friends of Watertown Music:

WatertownMusic.org

Donate to *Friends of Watertown Music* online through our website or by check payable to:
Watertown Education Foundation (write "Friends of Watertown Music" in the memo line).

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Fundraising Goal: \$60,000
to provide grant funding to restore school music programs.

With your help, we can rebuild, expand, and celebrate music in our
schools!

Music Matters!



Fun for the whole family!

***Pot Luck Supper (bring food to share)**

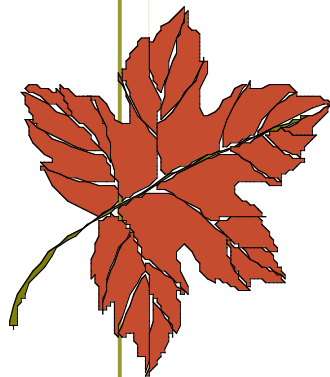
***Arts & Crafts**

***Games**

***Pumpkin Decorating (bring your own pumpkin)**

***Pie walk**

FALL FESTIVAL



Wednesday, October 19th

6pm-9pm

at the Hosmer School

Potluck starts at 6pm

**Sponsored by
Hosmer PTO Family Fun Nights**

