

Hosmer School Weekly Newsletter

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September/October Events

- ◆ **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**
Thursday, September 22
6:30-7, PreK-2nd Classroom Visits
7-7:30, General Meeting
7:30-8, 3rd-5th Classroom Visits
- ◆ **SITE COUNCIL**
Tuesday, October 4, 6:30pm
- ◆ **PTO MEETING**
Friday, October 7, 8:30am
- ◆ **NO SCHOOL**
Monday, October 10
Tuesday, October 11
- ◆ **HARVEST FESTIVAL**
Wednesday, October 19, 6pm
(more info soon!)

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Message from the Principal's Office

Hello, Hosmer Families!

The Hosmer School is off to a great start. I am very happy to be back as Principal of the Hosmer School and welcome MaryKate Fitzpatrick as the Assistant Principal. MaryKate has hit the ground running and we are fortunate to have her back at the Hosmer School.

There are many new initiatives taking place within the district and at the Hosmer School this year. You will have the opportunity to learn more about these initiatives at the Back to School Night on Thursday, September 22nd. We hope all Hosmer parents can attend and look forward to greeting you.

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 Co-Treasurer and a PreK GLR (grade level rep). 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 will be receiving a PTO dues envelope shortly, 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 29th**. 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: OPEN POSITION

K: Alicia Dwyer

1st: Talin Kugu

2nd: Thea Sahr

3rd: Zlati Shishkova

4th: Lorena Moynihan

5th: Laura Segal

Mary Beth Doyle

5th: Beth Gorman (activities)

Hosmer Site Council

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

The Site Council membership includes parents, teachers, the Principals and Vice Principal, and a community member. Any parent who is interested in becoming an elected member of the Site Council for a three-year term is asked to attend a meeting and inquire.

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.