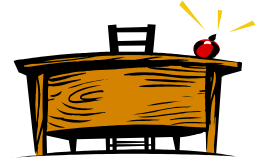


Green Meadow News

March 6, 2008



Dear Parents and Caregivers;

Please remember that **tomorrow is an early release day** which means that students will be dismissed at 11:25 A.M. (11:15 for kindergarten). Next Friday we will have a full day of school which is a change from the original calendar. We will do an automated call next week to remind you of the change from the original calendar. This Friday we will work with the IDEAL consultants on reading strategies.

Tonight we will have our Hoops A Thon for Grade 2 students only. This is a fund raiser that the second grade has each year to fund the study of Grace Vernal Pool for next year's second grade. This year's study for the second graders has been partly funded by last year's second grade. The event is from 6:30-7:30 P.M..

I think that since vacation we seemed to have held many ills at bay. Our attendance has improved immensely. Please keep your child(ren) home to get better if they are ill. They should be fever free for 24 hours before they return to school. It helps to contain germs so they are not germinated among classmates.

For those of you who may have noticed **one of our crossing guards**, Melissa Casalnuova, has been absent and is seriously ill at Mass General. She is in guarded condition with pneumonia and an infection in her blood stream. Our thoughts are with her and her family. We have a collection jar in the office for anybody who would like to contribute to help the family with gas and parking – please send it in to school and we will make sure the family gets it.

The All Schools **Ice Cream Social raised \$1800.00 for the Giunta Family.** Thank-you to the parents and students who attended and donated items to this event. Also, thank-you to local businesses and performers for donating time and raffle items including Maynard Outdoor Store, China Ruby, Dunia, Erikson's Ice Cream, Roche Brothers, the Barbagallo Family, John Fitzsimmons, and Cozmo.

Thank-you to the following Enrichment members: Anita O'Mahoney for organizing the Third Grade presentation by author/illustrator Joe McKendry on March 3, 2008; Suzanne Selig, April Lowe, and Jill Jacques for organizing and helping with the all school performance by Manguito on March 4, 2008. The performance by Manguito was partially funded by grant monies awarded to the Enrichment Committee from the Maynard Chapter of Massachusetts Cultural Council.

The **High School Musical Beauty and the Beast tickets** will be on sale this week at the following times and locations:

Thurs, 3/6 General Public @ MHS 5-6:30 PM
Fri, 3/7 Selling at Door-Opening Night 6:00 PM
Sat 3/8 Selling at the door 6:00 PM
Sun 3/9 Selling at the door 6:00 PM

Tickets can be purchased on line at www.mktix.com for an additional surcharge. Contact MaryEllen McCarthy at 978 897-4979 with questions. Currently the high school web site is down and not able to announce current sale times. Check back for more information on ticket sales this week and next at www.maynardschools.org/mhs

Sincerely,

Bernadette McLaughlin
Principal

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