



February 26, 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

- I want to thank Mrs. Hogan for telling stories to the children and Margie Callaghan and Chris Baird for having their choral and band students perform during the Willow Books and Café PTF fundraising event held on Wednesday. The proceeds made from this event will be used to help enrich your child.
- The second grade students took a field trip on Thursday to the Hanover Theatre of Performing Arts in Worcester where they enjoyed seeing Theatreworks production of Charlotte's Web -- based on an award-winning children's novel by acclaimed American author E. B. White. The trip inspires literature conversations about the similarities and differences between books, movies and live theater!
- The fourth grade attended the Science Traveling Planetarium exhibit scheduled today in the gym. The students really enjoyed learning how to use the North Star as a guide to locating other constellations in the Northern Hemisphere. They also were fascinated by the visible planets and the demonstration showing them what tonight's sky will look like in Boxborough.
- This past week, the Kindergartners learned all about dinosaurs. They read books and watched videos about them, they created fossils in art class, and they had an actual fossil hunt day. Kindergartners then wrote about their experience in their writing journals.

- The Blanchard School presents, "The Art of the Line," on March 1-31 at the Sargent Memorial Library. An opening reception will be held on Tuesday, March 2, from 4:00-6:00 PM with performances by Blanchard's very own vocal ensemble at 5:00 PM. The Boxborough Garden Club will display "Art in Bloom" on March 2-6.
- Please join us for a Blood Drive in honor of Ashley Jee on Friday, March 12, from 12:00-5:00 p.m. at the Blanchard School. All successful donors receive a gift from Children's Hospital. To make an appointment, please call Kathy Daniel at 978-263-4569 x203 or email her at kdaniel@boxboroughschool.org. Each donation can help up to four of our young patients! POSITIVE ID REQUIRED.
- This school year, Children's Hospital will conduct a New England-wide fundraiser called, "Coins for Cures." This program invites thousands of elementary, middle and high school students throughout the region to participate in a program that will raise money to support the groundbreaking research and patient care at Children's Hospital, one penny at a time! Starting Monday, March 1 through April, children can bring coins into their classrooms. Each classroom will be supplied with a canister for the coins.
- Come and enjoy a day of family fun at the "Critters for Haiti" fundraiser at the Holiday Inn in Boxborough on Sunday, March 14, from noon until 5:00 p.m. See live animal shows presented by area wildlife education organizations! Meet the animals and have your photo taken with some of them! Bid on amazing silent auction items and raffle prizes! Suggested donations are \$8 for adults, \$5 for children and under two years is free. All proceeds will benefit the Clinton-Bush Foundation for Haiti Relief.
- Important dates to remember for the production of, The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf:

Key Dates:

- Rehearsals begin January 2010 on Fridays from 3:00 - 5:15 p.m. and Sundays from 5:30 - 7:15 p.m.

- Crew activity begins March 2010
- There are no rehearsals April 18 or 23
- Tech Week is April 25 - April 30. (Note that April 25 is the Sunday at the end of spring vacation and the weekend before the show.)
- Performances are April 30, May 1 and May 2

Have a wonderful week!

Maryellen Driscoll, Principal

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS: 3/1/10 - 3/5/10:

Monday, 3/1

- 3:00 PM** Beginning Band Rehearsal
- 3:00 PM** Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM** Adv. Band Clarinet Sectional Rehearsal

Tuesday, 3/2

- 8:00 AM** Chorus Rehearsal
- 3:00 PM** Gold Stage Band Rehearsal
- 3:00 PM** Ext. Day Program: 4th Grade Basketball
- 3:00 PM** Ext. Day Program: Fitness Yoga - Gr. K-2

Wednesday, 3/3

- 7:45 AM** Adv. Band Rehearsal
- 3:00 PM** Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
- 3:00 PM** Gymnastics - Boxborough Recreation Dept.
- 7:00 PM** School Committee Public Session - Library

Thursday, 3/4

- 8:00 AM** Chorus Rehearsal
- 8:45 AM** Gr. 2 Field Trip - Hannover Theatre for Performing Arts
- 12:00 PM** Early Release Day
- 3:15 PM** Ext. Day Enrichment Prgm: MAD Science
- 7:00 PM** Tuba, Trombone, Baritone, Bass Clarinet, Piano Adv. Band Rehearsal

Friday, 3/5

- 7:45 AM** Woodwind Ensemble Rehearsal

9:00 AM Museum of Science Traveling Planetarium
2:10 PM Community Meeting
3:00 PM Drama Rehearsal

UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS: 3/8/10 - 3/12/10:

Monday, 3/8

3:00 PM Beginning Band Rehearsal
3:00 PM Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal
7:00 PM Flutes & Oboe Adv. Band Sectional Rehearsal

Tuesday, 3/9

8:00 AM Chorus Rehearsal
3:00 PM Gold Stage Band Rehearsal
3:00 PM Ext. Day Program: 4th Grade Basketball
3:00 PM Ext. Day Program: Fitness Yoga - Gr. K-2

Wednesday, 3/10

7:45 AM Adv. Band Rehearsal
3:00 PM Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
3:00 PM Gymnastics - Boxborough Recreation Dept.
5:15 PM School Council Meeting
7:00 PM School Committee Public Session - Library

Thursday, 3/11

8:00 AM Chorus Rehearsal
3:00 PM 5th & 6th Gr. Basketball
3:00 PM Ext. Day Prgm: Gr. 3-6 Fitness Yoga
3:00 PM Ext. Day Prgm: Chess Club
3:00 PM Ext. Day Prgm: Book Cooks
7:00 PM Trumpets Adv. Band Rehearsal
6:30 PM School Committee Mtg. - 6:30 PM Exec. Session/7:15 PM Budget Public Hearing/8:00 PM Regular Session

Friday, 3/12

7:45 AM Woodwind Ensemble Rehearsal
12:00 PM Children's Hospital Blood Mobile
2:00 PM Special Dance Performance
3:00 PM Drama Rehearsal