

Moose Mutterings

Moose Hill School PTA Newsletter

May 2011

Hello Moose Hill Families,

Spring has finally sprung and I couldn't be happier about it. I hope you all had a nice vacation and are enjoying the nice weather. May is a busy month and we are going to need your help to execute all the great events we have planned for the children and staff.

Our Spring Fundraiser was the flower bulb sale. The flower bulbs were delivered mid-April. If you did not receive your bulbs yet please let Danielle Peckham know. We made a profit of just over \$1,000. Thank you to everyone that participated in this fundraiser. We appreciate your support. Thank you to Danielle Peckham coordinating this project.

Our Spring Performance was on April 8th. We had Joe the storyteller come and tell the children some very cute stories. He kept the children interested and they all had a wonderful time. We had a bake sale along with the performance. The profit from that was \$53.00. Thank you to all the bakers. Thank you to Nancy Abbott for organizing this great event.

What a better way to start off May then with a Staff Appreciation week. This is set to happen on the week of May 9-13th. We are looking forward to treating the teachers and staff for all their hard work. There is still time if you are able to volunteer contact Katherine Allen. Thank you to Katherine for all her hard work. The amount of work she is doing is amazing and we really appreciate it.

Next up this month is the Leep Carnival. This is going to take place on Tuesday May 24th, the last day of school for Leep inclusion students. This is the yearend celebration for the Leep students and their families. Please let Carolyn know if you think of someone that can help volunteer and make this a success. We are looking for volunteers other than Leep parents so that they can enjoy this day with their children.

May 25th we have the incoming kindergarten student's night at Moose Hill. This is an event set up to let the children that will be attending kindergarten in the fall to explore the classrooms and meet the staff. The PTA will have tables set up to sell school spirit. Also we will have a campaign to recruit new volunteers for next year. Lastly we have our final PTA meeting of the year of school year on May 19th. This is where we are going to celebrate all of our volunteers and all their hard work over the year. I will have a special treat for you guys. You don't want to miss it. I hope to see you there.

Please make sure to get your volunteer hours to Sarah Ward ASAP so that she can submit them for the Blue Ribbon Award. Please remember to bring your binders with you to the meeting as I am collecting them this month.

Please join us at our last PTA meeting of the school year on May 19st, at 7:00pm, in the motor sensory room. Our executive board will meet one week prior.

PTA President, Chrissy Grabiec

Nurse Notes

Thank you so much for all the generous donations you made to the "Pennies for Patience". The students were very excited when I collected the box in their rooms and so proud of their participation.

Now that the wonderful sun is shining don't forget to apply sunscreen prior to school. Please do not send sunscreen or insect repellent into school as the staff is not allowed to apply it to the students.

The opportunity to purchase bike and ski helmets through the Children-N-Safety Program was a huge success. Please remember to be sure all your children wear their helmets when riding bikes, scooters or rollerblading. Every child below the age of 16 is required by law to wear a helmet.

Bee season is also upon us. Although they serve a great purpose in pollinating our apples, we have to be aware of their presence. To help prevent bee stings, we ask the following steps be taken whenever possible:

1. Children should not wear products containing perfume during May and June.
2. Children with allergies to bee stings should keep a light sweater at school to wear at recess.
3. Bright colors attract bees! If your child has a bee allergy, then bright colored clothing should be avoided whenever possible.

Thank you for your continued support,

Jean Queenan RN, BS

Lost and Found

Missing a mitten or hat? Maybe your child misplaced their coat or other items. Please look at the Lost and Found box in the lobby.



To Be Released: March 7, 2011

Contact: Sandy Engler, 434-3490

Have Lots of Kids Stuff, And No Time For a Yard Sale or Looking for Bargain Toys to Purchase—Bikes, Games, Little Tikes????

The Annual Toy Swap/Sale will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2010 at the Matthew Thornton School Gym. This is a great opportunity to sell children's and baby's items that are no longer being used, but that are still in good shape. It is a consignment sale with the price being set by the owner. The owner receives two-thirds of the money for which the item sells and the Londonderry Women's Club keeps the remaining one-third. This year proceeds will benefit The Anne Marie House Shelter in Hudson, NH.

Registration forms with complete instructions can be found at the Leach Library.

Used children's items in good condition may be sold (infant-16 years old):

Baby equipment (bassinets, strollers, etc.) Sporting goods, Halloween Costumes, Games, Books and Wooden Puzzles.

Stuffed animals, cribs, car seats and regular clothing cannot be accepted.

Registration is from 7:30 am-9:00 am and the sale is from 9:30 am-12:00 noon on Saturday, May 21st.

This is a great place to pick up toys, etc. for your children that are in great shape, but don't have a big price tag and benefits a great cause!

Staff Appreciation Week is May 9th – 13th

Plans are underway and this looks to be a great week for our teachers and staff. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with this week's events. We can still use more help though. Please contact Katherine Allen,

katherineallen@stampsalot.com

Art in Nature

2011 Spring Fundraiser

Thanks go out to everyone who participated in our Spring Bulbs Fundraiser. It was a HUGE success! We raised over \$1000 for the school, which will do a lot of good. We hope the bulbs and plants add a little color (and, in the case of the strawberries and tomatoes, flavor) to your spring. We checked the orders carefully before distributing them. However, if anything appears wrong with your order, please contact Chrissy Grabiec at pnut562000@yahoo.com. Thank you again!



Spring Performance 2011

The Spring Performance was a great success. We had Big Joe the Storyteller entertain us with his stories. He did a great job and kids had a great time.

I want thank all the volunteers who donated baked goods for our bake sale. We really appreciate your help. Everything looked great. The Moose Hill School PTA raised \$53 from the bake sale. Thank you for supporting us.



It's Carnival Time!!



LEEP Carnival

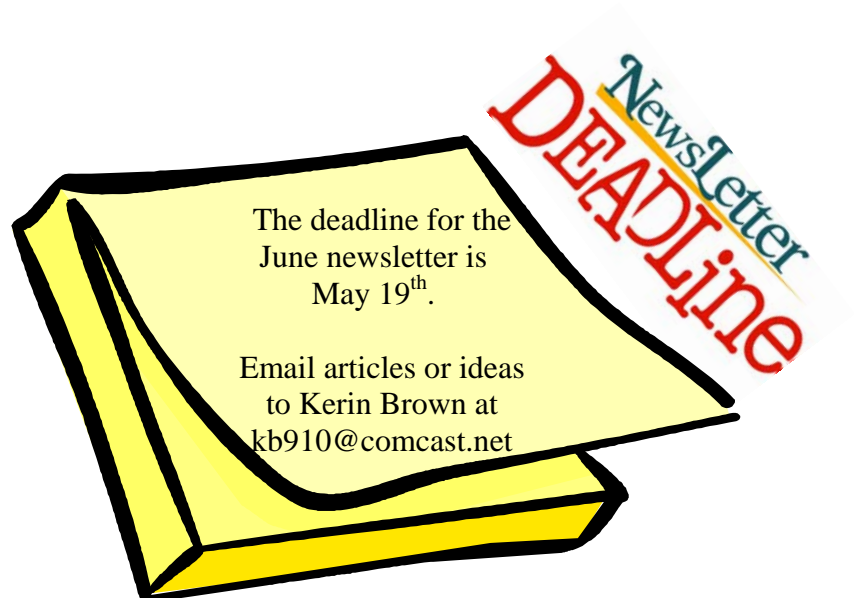
The LEEP Carnival will be held on Tuesday May 24th, the last day of school for inclusion preschoolers. The morning group will be 9-11am and the afternoon will be 12:30-2:30pm.

Along with fun activities for children and parents we will have a special performance by the Manchester School of Music -

More information about volunteering opportunities will be sent home this month.



Please remember to continue recording your volunteer hours on the Volunteer Log Sheet. Sheets must be turned into Sarah Ward by the end of the month.



The deadline for the June newsletter is May 19th.

Email articles or ideas to Kerin Brown at kb910@comcast.net



STEP RIGHT UP....

The Carnival is coming to Moose Hill Kindergarten!!!

We need a ton of help to pull off this fun filled day for the kids. If you can help in one way or another and you haven't filled out the previous form please fill out the form below and return it to school with your child.

WHEN: Friday June 3rd DURING SCHOOL HOURS

WHERE: Throughout the school, in the classrooms, in the hallways and weather permitting...outside!

WHY: To have a little fun and to celebrate the end of the school year!

WHO: This event is open to Moose Hill Kindergarten Students, staff and volunteers only! (Sorry :0)

WHAT: The students come to school and get to move amongst a variety of stations set up in different classrooms and stations outside. The stations range from face painting, bean bag toss, knockdown, bubbles, sporting events, bounce house and much more!

HOW: The only way this is possible is with your help!!! The more volunteers the better!

I CAN HELP....

Your Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____ Child's Name: _____

Child's Teacher: _____ **AM or PM**

____ I CAN VOLUNTEER THE ENTIRE MORNING (8:45-11:30)

____ I CAN VOLUNTEER THE ENTIRE AFTERNOON (12:15-3:00)

____ I CAN VOLUNTEER FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS: _____

If you would prefer to work at a specific station or have a special talent (juggling :0) that you'd be willing to show off please let me know in the space provided!

Thanks,

Andrea Bodkin (kabodkin27@gmail.com)

EARN MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL



Did you know that each Tyson label that you submit to Moose Hill School is worth **24 cents??** Turn Tyson products, such as their chicken nuggets, *Any'tizers* or other frozen chicken items into big bucks for our school. For a complete list of participating products and how you can help earn more money for Moose Hill, visit www.tyson.com/projectaplus.



Cut out the PROOFS OF PURCHASE from Campbell's brand products, and **you can help our school earn free merchandise** such as art supplies, books, sports equipment and even electronics! Examples of Campbell's products include **Campbell's Soups, Spaghetti O's, Swanson broth, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish and Crackers.** For a complete list of participating products, and what items we can earn for Moose Hill, check out their website www.labelsforeducation.com.



A note from our Box Tops Coordinators

Thank you for sending in your Box Tops. We continue to have great success with the collection pages. Please feel free to have your child color the collection page.

Moose Hill School is proud to announce that **We made our goal of \$1000!** Great work everyone! We are still going to collect the box tops as usual until the end of the year.

Please remember to check the website www.btfe.com for promotions.

Box Tops Submission Guidelines:

1. Expired Box Tops **may not** be submitted
2. Clip on or near the dotted lines
3. Ripped and torn Box Tops are ok as long as we can see the expiration date and the brand code (i.e. SPB, RBG, PUP) located in the top left or bottom left corner of the box top is visible.

Thank you for all your continued support,
Your Box Tops Coordinators



MAY 2011

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Staff Appreciation Week						
15	16	17	18	19 PTA Meeting 7pm	20	21
22	23	24 LEEP Carnival	25 EARLY RELEASE No PM classes 6:30-8 Incoming Kindergarten open house	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

2010-2011 Moose Hill PTA Board and Chairpersons

Position	Name	Phone Number	Email
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Reflections	Kerin Brown Eileen Butler	434-1565	Kb910@comcast.net efbutler@comcast.net
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2010 – 2011 MOOSE HILL SCHOOL VOLUNTEER RECORD

NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

If you have baked for events, made posters or phone calls, done school-related typing on the computer or volunteered in any way at home for Moose Hill School, please record your hours on this sheet. Be as inclusive as possible in recording your hours. We don't want to miss acknowledging anyone's volunteer time. The record of these hours is needed for the application of the Blue Ribbon Award.

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Total Hours for Year: _____

**Please return to the Volunteer Coordinator, Sarah Ward,
by the END OF MAY. Thank you!**