



See What's Happening!

Moose Hill School PTA Newsletter

October 2011

Moose Mutterings

Happy Fall Moose Hill Families!

I'm pleased to introduce myself as your new Moose Hill School PTA President. I am Katherine Allen, mother of four children. My oldest girls both went through the LEEP and K program at Moose Hill. I currently have a son enjoying his second year in the LEEP program, and our baby boy will (hopefully!) enter the LEEP program as a 3 year old next year. So, as you can see, I've had a lot of wonderful experiences here at Moose Hill and will continue to relish these experiences for another four years. With that said, I am very much looking forward to working with each and every one of you (parents, faculty, staff and students) in some capacity as we strive to make this year a memorable one for our children.

Please join me in thanking our outgoing Executive Board Members for their hard work and service this past year: Chrissy Grabiec (President), Jackie Macauley (Treasurer), and Heather Dormer (Secretary). We certainly appreciate all of your efforts and accomplishments of the past year. It was a pleasure to work with you all and know we will undoubtedly see you helping in other capacities throughout this year in Moose Hill. Now to introduce the other members of our new board for the 2011-2012 school year. These magnanimous women were voted in at our PTA meeting held September 15th. Welcome back, Kerin Brown (Vice President). Kerin previously served as Moose Hill PTA President during 2008-2010. We certainly welcome Kerin and her knowledge back with open arms! I'm excited to introduce Liz Bozzi as Treasurer and Jennie Fitzpatrick as Secretary. I am truly eager to begin working with you all! Please feel free to contact any of your Executive Board members at any time throughout the year. You will see all of our contact information in this Newsletter. And better yet, come meet all of us and learn about the various ways you can enhance your child's Moose Hill experience at our next PTA meeting Thursday, October 20th at 7 pm. We'll be looking for you!

In addition to electing the new Executive Board we also filled all of our chair positions for the year! I cannot tell you what a great feeling of gratefulness and relief it was to have all these positions filled right from the start. As a PTA we offer a lot of enriching activities but these cannot happen without you. Please consider volunteering to help at least one event this year. In asking you to seriously consider taking on a helping role it brings to mind the following quote:

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." ~Margaret Meade

To apply this to Moose Hill I would like to offer the following adaptation:

"Never doubt that a great group of thoughtful, committed parents, faculty, and staff can change the lives of our Moose Hill children. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Please join me in making this year the best one yet and continuing the high level of parent involvement to which Moose Hill School is accustomed and on which it thrives.

Sincerely yours,
Katherine Allen

Important Dates:

Child Check- NO LEEP	10/6
Kindergarten Open House School Store	10/6
Columbus Day NO SCHOOL	10/10
Kindergarten SCHOOL PHOTOS	10/14
Scarecrow Voting	10/8- 10/29
PTA MEETING	10/20 7:00
Reflections Entries Accepted	10/24 -11/7
LEEP Open House Adults Only! School Store	10/26
Haunted Harvest at Matthew	10/29

**DEADLINE FOR THE
NOVEMBER
NEWSLETTER
SUBMISSION IS
OCTOBER 21, 2011**

Please e-mail
Submissions to
Kristina Henry at:
kmhenry4@gmail.com

Notes from the Nurse

As we move into the cold weather ahead remember to dress your children prepared for the outside elements. They will go out to recess every day unless it is raining. They will need a hat or hood and mittens to stay warm.

We have been essentially healthy so far this year so remember, if your child is not feeling well the best thing you can do for him/her is to keep them home.

Flu season is creeping up also. The best prevention is hand washing and coughing into tissues or elbow. The children are encouraged to use these healthy habits at school and we hope they continue to use them at home.

If your child will be out ill please remember to call into the sick line (437-5192) and leave a message. Keep your child home if the following occur less than 24 hours prior to school:

- ⇒ If fever 100 or greater
- ⇒ If child vomits
- ⇒ If child has diarrhea
- ⇒ If Unknown cause of skin rash
- ⇒ If Conjunctivitis or discharge noted in eyes



Again, I am always available if you have any health concerns or issues pertaining to your child. I can be reached at 437-5855 .

Thank you,

CHECK OUT AND VOTE FOR OUR SCARECROW AT MACK'S!

Please show your support for Moose Hill by voting for our scarecrow which will be on display at Mack's Apples from October 7th thru the 31st. The scarecrow will be assigned a voting bank located in the farm market. Anyone can vote for the scarecrow by making a donation in the scarecrow's bank. Voters may vote as often as they like. The three scarecrows with the most money in the voting banks by October

29th will be declared winners! Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners, all of the money from our voting bank will be donated to Moose Hill School PTA to help fund various activities throughout the school year. We hope you will find time in October to stop by the market and vote for Moose Hill's scarecrow; it will be at post number 8. Thank you in advance for the support!



2010 WINNER!

Child Find Program



The LEEP program will be closed on Thursday, October 6th so that the LEEP team can conduct the first "Child Find" screenings. Parents or guardians of children ages birth through 6 years of age who have hearing, vision, or developmental concerns can have their child screened through this program. This program is available to all children in the Londonderry community at no cost, however an appointment is necessary. There will be future Child Find Screenings throughout the year as well. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Kathy Kelly at 437-5855, ext 7223.



TOUCH-A-TRUCK

The Moose Hill PTA's first ever Touch a Truck Fundraiser was a huge success. We were a little worried about rain but the weather turned out to be nice and sunny. We had a great turn out.

This fundraiser was started to benefit two local families with medically fragile children. I would like to say Thank You to all the volunteers who baked and helped work at the various areas of the event. I would like to give an especially BIG thank you to Kerin Brown for all of her wisdom along the way and also her help during the entire event. I would not have been able to do this without her.

The profit for the event was \$1387.50! The profit will be split in two and given to each family. Thank you again for coming out and showing your support for our wonderful families. These are the raffle winners:

Eileen	Scrapbook kit and a sweatshirt
Sarah Fegan	Soup Basket and a sweatshirt
Jim Angelone	Jelly Basket
Lorraine	Zoo New England tickets and a sweatshirt
Singster	2 Bruins tickets
Steve Cornette	2 Bruins tickets
Kim Hunt	Papa Gino's family pack
Donna Loonie	Sweatshirt
Jessie D'Urso	Sweatshirt
Timothy MacGregor	Sweatshirt
Kyle Bellemore	Sweatshirt

READ HERE FOR YOUR BOSTON COFFEE CAKES & MIXES!

Moose Hill School students kicked off the Boston Coffee Cake fund-raiser on September 23rd. Genevieve's Boston Coffee Cakes and Mixes fundraiser has proven successful for several years now and we are excited to see the results of this year's sales. The profits from this sale support programs that benefit all of our students all year long! All of their products are delicious and the cakes can be frozen for up to 6 months so they can be enjoyed at the holidays! They also make great gifts!

The sale will end on Monday, October 17th with delivery set for the week of November 16th during your Parent/Teacher conferences.

If you would like to volunteer to help sort the product when it arrives, or if you have any questions, please contact Tammy Verani at tverani@verani.com or [603-505-5752](tel:603-505-5752).

Julie Bicchieri at Julie6495@aol.com or [978-337-6782](tel:978-337-6782).

We could use 6 volunteers!



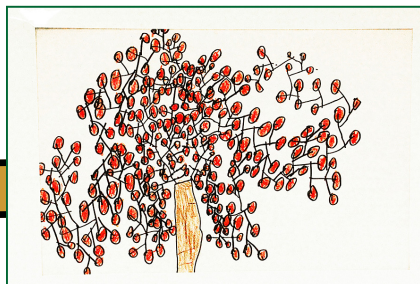
SHOW OFF YOUR CHILD'S TALENT IN THIS YEAR'S REFLECTIONS!

This year's Reflection's theme is "Diversity is..."

Encourage your children to explore the arts with Reflections! It is a non-mandatory curriculum that is encouraged to both LEEP students and Kindergarteners to submit an entry. Entries will be accepted between October 24th and November 7th and can be dropped off in a designated box at the school. All entries will be displayed at the town-wide exhibit at Londonderry Middle School on January 14th, 2012, with the top 3 entries in each category going on to the state exhibit.

Watch for a Reflections packet of information in your child's backpack in the coming weeks. The packet will contain entry forms, program rules, and other important details about this annual event.

Are you creative and do you enjoy art? **We will need volunteers** to help prepare the entries for the exhibit and if you would like to help, please contact any one of the Reflections chairpersons listed on the directory of this newsletter or Kerin Brown, kb910@comcast.net.





HAUNTED HARVEST



The Haunted Harvest is scheduled to take place on Saturday, October 29th, from 10 AM - 3 PM at Matthew Thornton School. The Moose Hill PTA sponsors a bake sale and provides other food and beverages for this very popular event. All proceeds from the baked goods go towards Moose Hill's PTA.



Theme baskets are on display and available to the lucky winner whose raffle ticket is drawn, and it could be yours! Kids can pass through the Haunted Hallway and participate in a variety of games where they win prizes, and they can try their luck at the ever-popular cake walk.



Volunteers are needed! Watch for the parent sign up sheets in back packs in a few weeks to see how you can help make this event a success for the Moose Hill PTA. If you can volunteer for an hour shift at the table please contact Jennie Fitzpatrick jennie_fitzpatrick@yahoo.com or Nissa Belanger nissabelanger@yahoo.com.



BLUE RIBBON AWARD!

The Blue Ribbon Awards recognizes the extraordinary efforts of school volunteer coordinators and their volunteer teams for the achievements realized during the previous school year. For the academic year 2010-2011, nearly 200 New Hampshire schools and their volunteer programs have been selected to receive the 2011 Blue Ribbon Award and Moose Hill School is one of them! The 30th Annual Blue Ribbon Award will take place on October 25th at the Radisson Hotel in Manchester, NH.



Please remember to log your hours whenever you are helping with any Moose Hill event. You should sign the sign-up sheet in the front office whenever you are helping in the school, whether it is in your child's classroom or working on a PTA event. You should also keep a sheet handy to log whatever hours you accrue at home. To download the Volunteer Log, check out the Moose Hill PTA website at www.moosehillpta.org.

FUNDRAISERS



Box Tops

This year the goal for our Box Tops is \$1,642 and we have \$367 so far. I would like to let parents know that shopping at their favorite stores online through the Box Tops Marketplace (www.BTFE.com/marketplace) earns extra box-tops for our school. Some of the stores are JCPenney, Barnes and Noble, Best Buy, Carter's, GAP, Old Navy, Walmart, Target, KMart, Kohls, Sears, and so much more. Its a great way to do the shopping that you need, and help Moose Hill at the same time! We already have a bonus of \$8 just from one Marketplace shopper. Finally, you can play the Chex Mix School Snack Stack Up on www.BTFE.com to enter to win 30,000 box tops. We will be submitting our box tops at the end of October so keep clipping and sending them in!



Campbells

In addition, you can help our school receive free merchandise by saving PROOFS OF PURCHASE from the Campbell Brands, including **Campbell's Soups, SpaghettiOs, Gravies and Supper Bakes, Pepperidge Farm Crackers, Goldfish and Garlic Breads.** You will find a colorful barcoded coupon on the back label of participating Campbell's soup cans. **Please clip this coupon and send it to school with your child.**



Tyson

Turn Tyson products into Big Bucks for Moose Hill School. Clip and save your **Tyson Project A+** labels from participating Tyson products. Each label is worth 24 cents! For a complete list of participating products check out their website, www.tyson.com/projectaplus.

Please remember to clip your labels on the dotted lines and send them in your child's backpack. To help our coordinator please separate the labels by program (i.e. Box Tops, Campbell's or Tyson). Thank you.



Helps Schools



The Hannaford Helps School promotion runs from September 5, 2010 – December 5, 2010. For each 4 participating products you purchase you will receive a \$3.00 certificate, and for every 8 participating products, you receive a \$6.00 certificate towards the school of your choice. Many frequently purchased brands are involved in this program. You will receive the certificate when you check out, and can either deposit the certificate in the Moose Hill slot at the Londonderry Hannaford collection tower or send it to school with your child. For a complete list of products involved in the promotion, please visit www.hannaford.com/hhs. Thank you for your participation, every dollar counts.....

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Moose Hill School PTA Membership Form

Moose Hill School PTA would like to welcome you to LEEP (Londonderry Early Education Program) and Kindergarten. We hope you take this opportunity to become a member of our PTA. A PTA Membership shows your support for our school. We provide many programs and fundraising for Moose Hill School. Fundraising enables the teachers and staff to purchase additional equipment and supplies, provides enrichment activities and entertainment to students, as well as sponsoring guest speakers at meetings. We look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings, every third Thursday of the month, or volunteering for one of our events. Your support is very much appreciated by the staff and students of Moose Hill School and LEEP. From Baking to running one of our many events, you are making a difference. Thank you for your support.

Fill out the form below and return it to school with your child.

Please Print Clearly

___ Individual \$5.00

___ Moose Hill Staff

___ Moose Hill Parent

___ Family (2) \$10.00

___ Friend of Moose Hill School

(No child currently in LEEP or Kindergarten)

Member Name(s) - _____

E-Mail _____

Students(s) _____

LEEP/Kindergarten

Teacher _____ am/pm

Please make checks payable to Moose Hill School PTA.

Thank you!

