

Moose Mutterings

Moose Hill School PTA Newsletter

September 2011

The Moose Hill Executive board welcomes you to the 2011-2012 School Year.

Hello Moose Hill Families,

Can you believe that school is starting already? It feels like we just got out. I am so excited to welcome you to our Moose Hill School Family. Let me introduce myself. My name is Chrissy Grabiec. This is my 3rd and final year with Moose Hill School, as my son is entering Kindergarten. Last year he was a LEEPer in Ms. Lisette's class. We are going to miss LEEP. Whether you are returning to Moose Hill or this is your first experience, welcome to our wonderful school. We are here with open arms and hope to meet you soon.

I am very excited to announce Moose Hill's first ever Touch-A-Truck Fundraiser. The purpose of this fundraiser is to help support a local family that has sick child. We are hosting this event in conjunction with Londonderry's Family Safety Day, which will take place on September 24th 2011 from Noon-4 pm. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly to this family. We are looking for volunteers, if you are able to help please email me, Chrissy Grabiec at chrissygrabiec@yahoo.com or Kerin Brown at kb910@comcast.net. All help is much appreciated.

Moose Hill School and the PTA have so much to offer. We encourage you to look at the volunteer opportunities and consider helping us this year. Many of the events that we offer for the school have a short term volunteer commitment, others are year round commitments. Members of this PTA play a very fundamental role. This PTA doesn't run without the help of its members and we are very lucky here at Moose Hill School to have a very supportive PTA.

Our PTA meetings are held every third Thursday of the month (excluding December and June) at 7:00pm in the Motor Sensory Room. These meetings are a good way to get involved in what is going on at the school. It also gives you the opportunity to learn more about the business portion of our PTA. This month's PTA meeting is going to be held on September 15th, please join us in the Motor Sensory Room at 7:00pm. We are going to introduce our current board, vote in a new Secretary and Treasurer and assign new committee chairs to organize and host events.

This month's edition of Moose Mutterings includes information about Family Day, Reflections, the Fall Fundraiser and much more. Please take a look and learn more about what the school and PTA has to offer. Please don't forget to fill out your membership and email permission forms and send it in your child's backpack as soon as possible. Only PTA members can vote at the meeting, so please if you would like to vote send in your membership form before the meeting. Note: Membership dues will be increasing, we will vote on this increase at September's meeting. For more information please join us at the meeting. I am excited to have another opportunity to enrich your child's kindergarten or Pre-kindergarten experience. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email me at Chrissygrabiec@yahoo.com. See you at the meeting!

PTA President, Chrissy Grabiec

Nurse Notes

September Nurses Notes

I would like to welcome everyone to our wonderful Moose Hill School. I enjoy keeping your children healthy and safe during the school day. Please remember safety is our number one priority and sneakers are most appropriate for play.

Enjoy the fun fall days ahead watching your children learn and grow with us.

I can be reached at 437-5855 if you ever have any concerns or questions please give me a call.

I am looking forward to a healthy year with your children!

Jean Queenan RN, BS



Londonderry Family Safety Day – September 24th 12pm - 4pm Matthew Thornton School

New this year! Touch-A-Truck Fundraiser, to benefit the Fegan family.

Welcome (or welcome back), parents! Moose Hill and its PTA are so fortunate to have such active volunteer parents, and your first opportunity to lend a hand is coming up quick!

The annual Londonderry Family Safety Day will take place on Saturday, September 24th at Matthew Thornton, and the Moose Hill PTA will be participating again this year with a bake sale.

We need volunteers to bake delicious goodies and to help man the table.

The event runs 12pm to 4pm, so **if you can lend a hand either by baking or sparing a couple of hours that day, please contact Karen Martin at Karenmartin@hotmail.com or Chrissy Grabiec at chrissygrabiec@yahoo.com by Tuesday, September 20th.**

Let's get our kids' school off to a great start!





Family Day is Monday, September 26, 2010

Dinner Makes a Difference!

More than a decade of research by [The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University](#) has consistently found that the more often kids eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs.

Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children[™] is a national movement launched by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University in 2001 that promotes the parental engagement fostered during frequent family dinners as a simple, effective way to prevent substance abuse in kids.

To learn more about *Family Day* and to join parents all across America in taking the *Family Day* STAR pledge, log on to www.CASAFamilyDay.org.

Become a *Family Day* STAR! I commit to:

- Spend time with your kids by having dinner together
- Talk to them about their friends, interests and the dangers of drugs and alcohol
- Answer their questions and listen to what they say
- Recognize that YOU have the power to keep your kids substance-free!



Open House

Kindergarten Open House will be held October 6th.

LEEP Open House will be held on October 26th.

More information can be found in October's newsletter or at the PTA website.

Apple Ladybugs

Let your kids play with their food for a change. They'll love decorating juicy red apples with pretzels for antennas, raisins for spots and eyes and peanut butter for wings, then snacking on them once they work up an appetite.

Ingredients

2 red apples
1/4 cup raisins
1 tablespoon peanut butter
8 thin pretzel sticks

Cooking Instructions

Slice apples in half from top to bottom, and scoop out the cores using a knife or melon baller. If you have an apple corer, core them first, then slice. Place each apple half flat side down on a small plate. Dab peanut butter on to the back of the 'lady bug', then stick raisins onto the dabs for spots. Use this method to make eyes too. Stick one end of each pretzel stick into a raisin, then press the other end into the apples to make antennae.



From www.kaboose.com

Spotlight Website

www.familyfun.go.com

Family Fun is your online source for arts and crafts, recipes, and parties for every holiday, plus hundreds of ideas for kid crafts, birthday cakes, birthday parties, and kid games, as well as expert tips on parenting, **family** travel, and decorating kids' rooms!

PRESS RELEASE
For immediate release 8/25/11

Contact: Andrew Corey
Londonderry School District
(603) 432-6920 x1109

**District Advises Parents of Notice of
Video/Audio/Photography/Display and
Use of Student Work Release**

From time to time, video/audio recordings and/or photographs are made of various school activities and classes which may be cablecast over the local educational access channel, LEO21, or other cable or broadcast channels and/or displayed/streamed at the District or a school Web site, on the school district FM station, WLLO-LP, or in a district/school print or electronic publication. These may also be used within the Londonderry School District.

Students may appear visually and/or be heard. On occasion, individual students or small groups of students may be featured in interviews, on-camera discussion, etc. These students may be identified by name; however only first names will be used on the screen when individual students are shown unless the district secures written permission from a parent/guardian to use a last name. Additionally, photos, student artwork, projects or performances may be displayed or shared. Student produced work (print or non-print) may be used by the district in the course of instruction, accreditation, presentation, and action research.

The Londonderry School District may also reproduce, make alterations or additions to, and may copyright the material in whole or in part. The district will notify parents/guardians on an individual basis in those instances when special education programs are involved.

Parents and students may refuse release of any or all use of these materials related to specific students, provided that a written request is received by the Superintendent of Schools, at 268C Mammoth Rd., Londonderry, NH 03053, by September 30th of the current school year. Additionally, parents may opt to notify the district of any change during the school year.

FUNDRAISERS



We all shop for groceries, sometimes two or three times a week -- or more! Now turn those shopping trip into easy cash for Moose Hill School, and encourage friends to do the same! Just look for these logos on hundreds of products like General Mills, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc and Kleenex, Campbell's Soups, Beans, Tomato Sauces, Spaghetti O's, Gravies and Supper Bakes, Pepperidge Farm Soups, Crackers, Goldfish and Garlic Breads, and Tyson Frozen products, in almost every aisle of the store.



All you need to do is clip the label and send it in with your child or bring it to the bins located outside of the office -- each one is worth money or products for our school.

For complete lists of participating products check out our website, www.mooshillpta.org.

To help our coordinator please separate the labels by program (i.e. Box Tops, Campbell's or Tyson). Be sure to clip the labels completely. Thank you.



The Hannaford Helps School promotion runs from September 2011 - December 2011. For each 3 participating products you purchase you will receive a certificate worth \$3.00 when you check out. Save that certificate and send into school in your child's

backpack or deposit at the Londonderry Hannaford collection tower in the Moose Hill slot. For a complete list of products visit their website, www.hannaford.com/hhs.



PTAreflections.org

PTA® Reflections unleashes your artistic talents

Dance Choreography

Photography

Film Production

Musical Composition

Literature

Visual Arts

2011-2012 Theme: “Diversity Means”

Reflect on the theme. Create an original work. Be recognized.

Deadline for entries:

For details, contact

The Reflections Chairperson(s) who can be found on our website at www.moosehillpta.org

Both LEEP students and Kindergarten students are encouraged to submit as many entries as they would like.

National Media Sponsor of PTA Reflections Program



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The 2011-2012 School year is underway. The Moose Hill PTA's first meeting will be held at 7:00pm in the Motor Sensory Room on September 15th. Please consider volunteering for a chair position or being on one of the committees. Several positions are full year commitments but there are many positions that require just a short period of volunteer time. Our PTA is successful because of its volunteers. Here are the board and chair positions for the Moose Hill PTA:

Secretary
Treasurer
 Hospitality
 Bulletin Board
 Volunteer Coordinator
 Safety Day
 Reflections
 Box Tops
 Campbell's Soup Labels
 Fall Fundraiser
 Staff Appreciation Week
 LEEP Carnival
 Kindergarten Carnival
 School Spirit
 Haunted Harvest
 Book Fair
 Holiday Baskets
 Spring Performance
 Mack's Scarecrow
 Spring Fundraiser
 Parent/Teacher Conferences
 Membership
 Kidz Nite - Old Home Days
 Newsletter
 Website



For complete descriptions of these board and coordinator positions check out our website, www.moosehillpta.org

Volunteers are seldom paid; not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS!



SEPTEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 NO SCHOOL	3
4	5 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 PTA Meeting 7:00PM	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Safety Day Touch-A- Truck
25	26 Family Day	27	28 Early Release NO AM PM will meet as usual	29	30	

Order your Moose Hill spirit items today!



Note: Sweatshirt & Keychain pictured above

GET YOUR MOOSE HILL SPIRIT!

Order your school spirit items today and wear your school name with pride. We now have kids sizes, and adult sizes! Choose from sweatshirts, long-sleeved t-shirts, short-sleeved t-shirts (now in pink, navy and white), keychains and water bottles. All at unbeatable prices!

Place your order today!

For more information please contact our school spirit coordinator.

KIDS SHIRTS

	<u>SIZES</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Crewneck sweatshirts (grey)	6-8(S), 10-12(M), 14-16(L)	\$13.00
White t-shirts	6-8(S), 10-12(M), 14-16(L)	\$6.00
Colored t-shirts (Pink or Navy)	6-8(S), 10-12(M)	\$8.00
Long-sleeved t-shirts	6-8(S), 10-12(M), 14-16(L)	\$9.00

ADULT SHIRTS

	<u>SIZES</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Hooded Zip up Sweatshirt (grey)	Small, Medium, Large, X-large	\$23.00
White t-shirts	Small, Medium, Large, X-large	\$6.50
Long-sleeved t-shirts (grey)	Small, Medium, X-Large	\$11.00
Long-sleeved t-shirts (white)	Small, Medium, Large, X-Large	\$11.00

KEYCHAINS

\$4.00

WATER BOTTLES (32 OZ.)

\$1.50

Child's Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email address (in case there are questions about the order) _____

Teacher's Name: _____ (circle one): **AM** or **PM**

Item: _____ **Size:** _____ **Color:** _____ **Qty:** _____

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Item: _____ **Size:** _____ **Color:** _____ **Qty:** _____

Please make checks payable to Moose Hill School PTA. Thank you for your support!

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

_____ 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!**

MOOSE HILL SCHOOL VOLUNTEER RECORD

NAME: _____

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM: _____

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.

School Year 2010-2011

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Total Hours: _____

Fall Fundraiser Kick Off

Moose Hill Students will kick off the Boston Coffee Cake and Cookie Mix fund-raiser this month.

Packets will be sent home with your student

*On **September 22nd***

This is our biggest fundraiser and is always very successful. The money raised goes towards the many events and activities that the PTA sponsors throughout the year. The cakes will be available for pick up during Parent/Teacher Conferences Nov 17th and 18th If you would like to be a part of the team to help make this a great success please contact Chrissy Grabiec at chrissygrabiec@yahoo.com

