

The Cove Connection

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*A Happy and Healthy
2010 to all!*

Fundraising Opportunity

Cove School is registered with Stop & Shop's A+ Bonus Bucks Program. You can help us earn cash to benefit the students of Cove School. To register your card, log on to www.stopandshop.com/aplus and choose "Register Your Card" from the A+ menu found under "Our Stores." Or, dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone. Cove School's ID for the program is 07993. Each time you shop at Stop & Shop using your Stop & Shop Card, through March 25, 2010, you will earn CASH for our school. We will receive a check at the end of the program. Don't forget to tell your friends and family to register their cards.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration packets are now available in our office. To be eligible for enrollment in kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2010.

Registration will take place January 25th through the 29th at the Memorial Building from 9am-4pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and 9am-7pm on Tuesday.

Children's Clothes

Mrs. Cravatis, our school nurse, is in need of children's clothing of all sizes. If you have extra clothing which you no longer need, please consider sending it into school for students who may need a change of clothing during the school day.

Dogs

We have children who are afraid of and allergic to dogs. Please respect the needs of our students and keep dogs away from the building when dropping off and picking up your child.

Cove School Shirts and Sweatshirts

If you placed an order for a Cove School shirt or sweatshirt and have not received it, please contact Brooke DeMarco at 978-969-1834.

The Adventures of Lewis and Clark

"It was 1804, not a day before..." The fifth grade show, *The Adventures of Lewis and Clark*, is in production and is sure to be an exciting discovery for all. Our performance is scheduled for March 17th at 7 p.m., with a snow date of March 18th. The big event is approaching very quickly.

This is an invitation for all fifth grade parents who are interested in coordinating and assisting with the task of costuming. This important aspect of the show, THE final essential element that transforms our students into actors, is something that Ms. Cherry, Ms. Loguidice, and I cannot manage in addition to the large responsibility and many associated tasks of preparing and directing the show. You don't need to be able to sew; if you can cut and glue or make lists or shop or face paint or safety pin or tie or supply creative ideas...we would love to have your help! If you are willing to lend us a hand, please contact me at (978-921-6121, ext. 244) or kgross@beverlyschools.org. Many thanks!

Mrs. Gross, Music Teacher

Polar Plunge

Cove School is forming a team to take part in the annual Polar Plunge. The Polar Plunge will take place on February 7, 2010, Super Bowl Sunday, at Lynch Park. Please join us in this community event and help raise funds for the Beverly Affordable Housing Coalition and River House Shelter by becoming a plunger, a sponsor, or a friendly face to cheer on the plungers. The Polar Plunge Traveling Trophy is awarded to the school that raises the most funds. Watch for more information to be sent home soon. Please contact Ms. Loguidice at tloguidice@beverlyschools.org if you have questions,

would like to take part in the plunge, or be a sponsor.

Classroom News

The kindergarteners in Mrs. Scaparotti's class love using calculators! One thing the class uses them for is to figure out how many days are left until the 100th day of school.

Thank you to all for sending in donations to support the Fifth Grade Community Service Project. All items donated were delivered to the Inn Between Shelter for families in need.

FOX25 News Meteorologist, AJ Burnett, will be visiting the fifth grade on February 4th, supporting their science unit on weather.

Counselor's Corner

Community News

Our Cove School Community meetings occur each month. At the start of the school year, the theme of Citizenship was introduced and our students' pledges for good citizenship were affixed to our Citizenship Tree outside of the cafeteria. Our tree will soon be replaced with our "Kindness Bucket". The themes of kindness and compassion will be introduced at our January Community meeting. During the next several months when students are "caught in an act of kindness or compassion" they will be asked to add a heart to the "Kindness Bucket".

In the spirit of kindness and compassion, the fifth grade Student Council will coordinate a Hearts for Heat Fundraiser to benefit the Beverly Bootstraps' Pennies for Fuel Program. The fundraiser will take place from January 14th through February 5th. Each grade level will compete based on the highest amount of money raised. The winning grade will earn an extra recess period. Fundraiser flyers will be sent home with your child this week.

The Cove STAR award program also continues and the recipients will be announced during our Community Meetings. The award winners receive a Cove Water Bottle, a Certificate, and earn "Pizza with the Principal" or "Snack with the Principal" depending on their grade level.

Second Steps

All of our classrooms continue to teach the Second Step social curriculum. The Second Steps curriculum is designed to promote social competence. The language from Second Steps can be easily transferred to the home environment. Beginning in February, Second Steps handouts will be available in the main lobby for parents to take home.

Dates to Remember

January 13th: School Council Meeting, 6:30pm

January 15th: Red, White and Blue Day

STARS Lunch with Mrs. Bucyk

January 18th: No School in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr Day

January 19th: Election Day; Senate Election

January 21st: Grade 5 Move Up Night at Briscoe, 7:00pm

January 25th: PTO Meeting, 7:30pm

January 25th through 29th: Kindergarten Registration at the Memorial Building.

January 26th: Cove Spirit Day

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