



A Word from the principal...

As the seasons change and the days get shorter, it seems there are always more kids getting sick. At Hannah, we are experiencing some reports of students with flu-like symptoms as well as other seasonal maladies, such as colds and strep throat.

We are currently taking precautions to prevent the spread of flu and other illnesses. The custodial staff are sanitizing bathrooms and doorknobs on a regular basis. Teachers are encouraging students to clean their desk surfaces often. We are teaching children to wash their hands often with soap and warm water. When a sink is not available, children are encouraged to use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer is available

in every classroom as well as in the cafeteria. We are currently waiting for a delivery of wall-mounted dispensers to facilitate the use of the hand sanitizers. Children are also taught to cover their mouths and noses when sneezing or coughing. They are encouraged to use a tissue to cover their mouth and nose, and then dispose of it. If tissues are not available, they should cough or sneeze into the bend of their elbow rather than into bare hands. Children should also be taught to avoid touching their eyes, noses, or mouths as germs can be spread in that way as well.

If prevention does-

n't work and your child exhibits flu-like symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, and fatigue, do not send them to school.

Our school nurse, Mrs. Moody further recommends:

- keep your child home if your child has a fever of 100.0 degrees or more
 - keep your child home if your child has a cough or sore throat, or
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Matt Noyes Visits Second and Third Grades

Matt Noyes, meteorologist for NECN (New England Cable News) network, visited the second and third graders last week.

He was a dynamic speaker and students were mesmerized with his stories and information about weather

and weather safety. One phrase he taught was, "When thunder roars, go indoors."

He videotaped a short clip of the students, which was shown on the morning news on NECN.

Many thanks to teacher, Kelly Faust, who arranged the visit, and many thanks to Matt Noyes for spending his time with us at Hannah.

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Dates to remember:

- November 4: Harlem Superstars H.S. fundraiser at 7 p.m.
- November 9: Hannah Horse Café at the Wild Horse Café 4-8:30 p.m.
- November 11: No school, Veteran's Day
- November 17: PTO meeting at 7 p.m.
- November 25: Early Release Day/Bake Sale at Electric Insurance
- November 26-27: Thanksgiving Recess

Hannah Horse Café Open for Business on November 9th

Wild Horse Café owners and Hannah parents, Milissa Oraibi and Brenden Crocker will open their fabulous restaurant to Hannah families only on Monday, November 9th from 4:00-8:30 p.m.

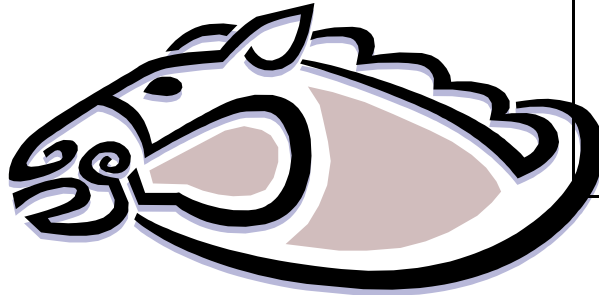
You must make a reservation ahead of time by calling the restaurant. Reservations may not be made at the school.

Teachers will work as servers, so be sure to specify if you have a preference for your seating section. Remember that our teachers are fabulous educators, but not necessarily trained in the restaurant business. Your service is guaranteed to be friendly and fun, but please be patient with your favorite waiter or waitress as they only do this once a year.

There is a special menu for the event, which is guaranteed to be 'kid-friendly.'

This is a fun event and we look forward to seeing many families there.

The Wild Horse Café generously donates all proceeds over and above their cost



Giddy Up and Come to the Hannah Horse Café.

back to the Hannah School. If you are able, come support the school and have a great meal too!

Please remember to stay in your car while dropping off or picking up students in the lane in front of the school. Please be sure to pull up next to the curb to pick up. When students walk between cars or enter a vehicle that is double-parked, it creates a potentially dangerous situation. Thank you.

Harlem Superstars

The Beverly High School class of 2010 is once again sponsoring a fundraising basketball game. This year, the game will take place on November 4th. Tickets are available in the school office for \$8 each or at the door for \$10 each.

Players from the Harlem Superstars team will visit the school on November with an entertaining and educational message. Hannah teacher, Mrs. Berry will play on

the Beverly Superstars team and Mrs. Snyder will be an assistant coach. The Beverly "Dream Team" will play against the Harlem Superstars in a fun-filled game.

This is a fun community event that benefits Beverly High School.

Special thanks to Gina Cairns, Dani Cairns, and Andy Beaudry for volunteering for "Game Day." They taught students how to play tag, ball games and kickball to make recess more fun!

Rotary Donates Dictionaries to Third Graders

The Beverly Rotary Club is an organization committed to service within the community. It is made up of business owners in Beverly. Their many good deeds within Beverly are often noted.

Each year, they donate dictionaries for each third grader in Beverly. Students keep the dictionaries long after they finish third grade and many students have reported they still use them in Middle

School.

Rotary President, Brad Gaige, along with fellow Rotarians Mr. Murphy and Ms. Rapisardi (yes, that's former Hannah Principal, Jackie Rapisardit) were on hand for the ceremony on October 30th. Superintendent Jim Hayes was also present to address the students.

As always, we thank the Rotary Club for their generous donation.



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has an influenza-like illness
-your child can return to school after being fever-free for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever reducing medication
-please remember to call the absence line each and every time your child is absent
-please report fevers and be specific as to the reason for the absence when calling the absence line

For more information about H1N1, see www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu



Everyday Math Family Unit letters are available online. There is a link on the Hannah website. Go to www.beverlyschools.org and click on the Hannah page. Click on the EM Family Letter link. Paper copies are not being sent home this year. These letters explain skills taught in class and also contain homework support information.

Coats for Kids and Bootstraps Food Drive

Once again, we will be collecting gently used coats for the Coats for Kids drive.

We will accept coats, jackets, and snow pants in children's and adult sizes for distribution in the area. We take our donations to Anton's Cleaners, who in turn clean and send the coats for distribution.

A collection box will be in the school lobby.

We will also be collecting canned foods and other non-perishable items for the Beverly Bootstraps Food Drive between now and Nov. 20th. Suggested items include:

Canned fruits and vegetables

Look for the collection boxes in the lobby.

Canned tuna

Pasta

Cereal

Grocery store gift cards

Any other non-perishable item (no glass jars please)

Soldier's Angels

Thanks to all the children who donated extra Halloween candy to the Soldier's Angels candy drive. This organization will send candy to soldiers currently serving on active duty overseas.

At some times during the year, they cannot accept chocolate because it will melt, but they are accepting chocolate at this time of year.

We will accept candy donations until

Thursday and then we will deliver our collection box to the Congregation Church. They are coordinating the shipping process with the soldiersangels.com organization in North Carolina.

Since it is so close to Veteran's Day, it is a nice opportunity to teach kids to appreciate the service of soldiers in the armed forces.



Got candy?

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***Be kind. Be responsible. Be the best
you can be. The choice is yours.***

**We're on the web. [www.
beverlyschools.org](http://www.beverlyschools.org)**

Hannah School Mission Statement

The Hannah Elementary School strives to meet the individual needs of its students by encouraging them to become life-long learners. The students, staff, and families work collaboratively to promote academic excellence by using programs and curricula that are current and research-based. The Hannah community is committed to meeting the needs of the whole child. By fostering emotional, social, physical, and intellectual growth, we will create an atmosphere of respect for each member of our school.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION:

All educational and non-academic programs, activities and employment

opportunities at Beverly Public Schools are offered without regard to

race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, and any other class or characteristic protected by law.

Literacy News

Special thanks to new library coordinators Susan Johnson and Julie Brown Garthwaite. They worked tirelessly this summer, alongside Mrs. Babb, to re-organize our library shelves and discard old and unusable books.

They also created differentiated volunteer opportunities ranging from reading to students to book repair and re-shelving of books. We thank the many parent volunteers who give their time weekly to enhance the library experience for our students.

Marissa Maglio is our "Birthday Book Club" coordinator. She will send home forms at the beginning of your child's birthday month. This enables parents to donate books in their child's name to our school library.

Mrs. Valentine is our new part time reading coach at Hannah. She has been working with teachers and

paraprofessionals to enhance our reading programs and the delivery of instruction and assessment materials. She is here every Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Pike is our new reading specialist. She has been busy working with small groups of stu-

dents who have been identified through our literacy assessments. She will work on the development of key literacy skills with the groups.

Our teachers and staff assess students' literacy progress on a regular basis and use the DIBELS assessments at three key times in the year. If students do not make our target benchmarks, we provide additional instruction and monitor their progress more often: either every other week or once per month.

If you wonder what you can do at home to help your child with reading, we offer the following:

Please make sure your child is reading (or being read to) for at least 20 minutes each school night, Monday-Thursday. Some students have fluency practice packets. They should read the passages at home each night as well.

