



# THE HAPPY HOLLOW HOLLER

HAPPY HOLLOW SCHOOL & PTO NEWSLETTER

October 12, 2012

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...because I have*

the **POWER** of **ONE**

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

October, 2012

We have certainly hit the ground running this year and couldn't be happier! Teachers are already meeting in their professional learning communities to review student data, differentiate instruction and meet the diverse needs of all of our learners. Our Monday morning assembly meetings have been going exceptionally well with academic, talent and affective shares. These meetings keep our "Kindness Matters" motto alive and simultaneously offer key opportunities to reinforce our expectations for academic excellence. Students and staff share important achievement toward both ends. The professionalism of our student fifth grade emcees is that of a well-polished news anchor team.

Service learning projects are well under way with students working hard to combine content learning with service based projects. The new playground equipment combined with the fine efforts of Toshi Lam working as our recess coordinator have made our recess times productive and fun. Ms. Lam has ordered some new equipment that holds to offer a variety of options during this special time.

To enhance all of these efforts, I remain in a constant process of looking for ways to ensure that our school motto is tied to our core values that partner kindness with effective effort and excellence in achievement. Toward that end, while you are in the process of reviewing our student handbook with your child/children, please take a moment and think about ways that we can tie our "Kindness Matters" motto to an acronym that will help students quickly know that we also expect effective effort and academic excellence. I will be working with our school council on developing such an acronym but would love to have input from our wonderful community. Send me an email or note if you and/or your child or children come up with something good. We have a strong foundation built with kindness as one key aspiration, now it is time to add our other values with the same light.



Next week, on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, thanks to our PTO support, I am able to bring in the Soren Bennick Production Company to present their Power of One anti-bullying program. They last performed here in 2009-10. Our fourth and fifth graders remember them well. We have used their key points and visual posters since September of 2009, but our first, second and third grade students weren't at our school to see them live. They give a quick language around anti-bullying behaviors and have strong visual ties that make the language easily accessible for the whole school. Their posters are a main guide in my discussions with students who demonstrate any behaviors that if repeated under the state guidelines could be considered bullying. To avoid all that goes with identifying a young student as a bully ~ complete with reporting it to the state and having it follow on his/her school record ~ we are constantly educating our students to make good decisions around social behaviors. We teach this through our Open Circle curriculum and some teachers use concepts from the Responsive Classroom guide to build strong class cultures around supporting and caring for all in each of the class communities. Power of One is a quick way to tie all of these efforts together and to give students the visual and spoken means to identify and report bullying behaviors before they become true bullying. The following are the key points from the presentation that students will observe. As with any of our assembly/meetings, parents are welcome to come too. We will have two performances, one at 9:15 am for our younger students (Grades 1 & 2) and one for our older students (Grades 3-5) at 10:05 am. The shows are slightly different to meet the developmental needs of all age students in an appropriate manner.

## **Soren Bennick's The Power of One™**

A bullying-proofing performance for elementary school children

The Power of One is a series of skits presented by actors who use boxes, colors, and masks to vividly portray what bullying is, what can be done about it, and how every child has the power of one, the power to report and deal with bullying when they see it. The Power of One:

- Explains the roles in bullying: Bully, Target, and Bystander
- Shows vivid examples of different types of bullying: Physical, Verbal, Exclusion, and Cyber Bullying
- Alerts children that Targets need help and intervention
- Encourages students not to be Bystanders
- Emphasizes the need for individual action to make the community a safer, better place
- Refers children to parents, adults, and teachers for further assistance and instruction

The set for the Power of One consists of a series of boxes that fit inside each other like a Russian egg. Each box is a different color: green, purple, yellow, and white, representing the different roles in the bullying process.

Following the color scheme of the boxes, the actors put on a green mask when they play the Bully, a purple mask when they play the Target, and a yellow mask for the Bystander.

The highlight of the performance is when a volunteer from the audience looks into the Power of One box (which contains a mirror) and sees himself/herself!

This leads to the audience taking the Power of One anti-bullying oath and the conclusion of the performance.

### **Key points that remain as part of a school culture:**

1. Report and deal with bullying when you see it
2. Don't be a Bystander
3. Bystanders are as guilty as Bullies
4. You can make a difference

### **The Power of One Oath:**

I will not bully others. I will not stand by while others are bullied. I will report and deal with bullying whenever I see it... because I have the Power of One!

Enjoy all things fall and take care!

All best,



Jim Lee  
Principal

This and That from the Principal's Office:

## DROP OFF AND PICK UP UPDATES:

1. There is no benefit to arriving early for either pick up or drop off.

The doors open at 8:30 am and the line moves along finishing at 8:45 am. If you arrive before that it makes it seem like it takes longer for drop off when the truth is the line will not move before 8:30 am.

Likewise, at drop off we dismiss the buses at 3:00 pm and then move the pick up line. We finish all dismissal by 3:15 pm or 3:20 pm at the very latest. Arriving early means you just sit in line. There is no benefit to being up front because once the line moves everyone is through in 10 minutes or less. It means that from 3:00 pm until 3:15 pm we dismiss 441 students from our building and get them on buses in cars on bikes or walking! We're doing well and I can't thank you enough for your assistance.

2. Please be careful not to block the sidewalks or roads around our school. Police will take notice and will write citations.

The following are our procedures:

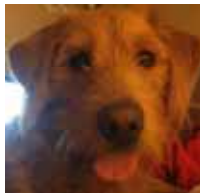
1. There are two lanes of traffic in front of our school. The one closest to the building is the drop off line. The other is a live lane where traffic will pull out from the drop off line to exit or they may be driving through to park in the parking lot. (The parking spaces in front of the building are for staff only. No one may pull out of those spaces during drop off or pick up as it forces the driver to back into the live lane of traffic.)
2. Please drive slowly and be aware that cars will be moving in and out of the traffic area. There is a period of congestion, but if everyone remains aware and patient, the whole process takes 15 minutes or less from beginning to end. This is to admit and dismiss over 400 children. It is impressive and moves smoothly when everyone cooperates.
3. There is no left-hand turn when exiting our driveway M-F from 8:00 a.m. - 8:40 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. on M,T,Th and F. ~ **On Wednesday, from 1:50 until 2:20 (not posted on the sign due to space).**
4. **Wednesday dismissal is from 1:50 p.m. - until 2:30 p.m.**
5. Please pull all the way up to the end of the sidewalk in front of the school when you are unloading children. The line slows down when all the spaces to the end of the sidewalk are not filled.
6. No one is allowed to pass a bus with flashing red lights. (Yellow flashing lights are warnings and you may pass a bus with yellow flashing lights.) If you are in the live lane and a bus is unloading, you must wait behind the bus.
7. The drop off lane in front of the school in the morning is a live lane of moving traffic. You may not park or leave your car in this lane. School personnel will help your child exit your car safely. Make sure the children are seated on the right side or passenger's side of the car. They may not exit the driver's side of the car as this is the live lane and very dangerous.



8. **At drop off time, if you would like to park and say good-bye to your child at the front door, you may park in the side parking lot and use the sidewalk to safely proceed to the doors.**
9. **If students arrive after 8:45 a.m., they are officially late for school and they must stop in the office to report that they are present and to receive a tardy slip.**
10. **Watch for pedestrians in crosswalks and on the sides of the road.**



11. **At dismissal: No child should be exiting the side door into the side parking lot. This is not a pick up area and is very dangerous. It also slows things down because staff exits from this lot and when we add those trying to avoid the pick up lane; it slows things down for everyone. Please cooperate and help your child to see you following the rules just as he/she is expected to do during his/her school day. Nothing sends a stronger message to a child than the actions of the adults around him/her.**
12. **Pets: By state law, no animals are allowed on school property without specific permission from the principal. In such cases, precautions are taken and arrangements made to ensure that there are no allergies to the animals and that the environment is safe. These times would include “Show and Tell” or the like, not drop off or dismissal times.**
13. **Wayland Police will be out in full force looking for those who do not honor the speed limits on the roads around our schools and neighborhoods... You do not want a note from them! Those notes linger long!**



**Thank you for your cooperation in all of these matters... they really do matter!**

- **School Meeting Assemblies** will be every Monday unless there is a holiday or school cancelation. Assemblies run from 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. The first was Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. The students were great and we used this to ready for when our fifth graders will host!

### **Lost and Found:**

- More people are checking this area this year! It is great to see items being found! Please continue to check and maybe this will be the first year that we are not left with a huge pile of unclaimed clothing at the end of the school year. Thank so much!

## October and November at Happy Hollow:

Monday, October 15	Power of One Presentation	Happy Hollow Gym Grades 1 & 2, 9:15 a.m. Grades 3-5, 10:05 a.m.
Thursday, October 18	Meet Your District Leaders	Wayland Middle School Pizza @ 5:30 p.m. Program in Auditorium @ 6:00 p.m.
All Mondays that are not Holidays or otherwise specified	School Assembly Meeting	Happy Hollow Gym 9:00-9:30 a.m.
Friday , October 26	October Coffee with Mr. Lee	Cafeteria 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Topic: Space utilization
Wednesday, October 24	Public Hearing from Elementary School Space Utilization Task Force	7:30 p.m. WHS
Monday, November 12	<b>No School Veteran's Day</b>	
Wednesday, November 21	<b>School closes at 12:00 Noon</b>	
Thursday and Friday, November 22 & 23	No School Thanksgiving Holiday	
Monday, November 26	Classes resume	

### \*\*\*\*\*Green Team Announcements\*\*\*\*\*

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--- JOIN THE WAYLAND SCHOOLS GREEN TEAM. The Green Team is looking for parents, students and teachers to continue our efforts to make real and lasting changes in our schools that will protect kids and the environment for the long-term. Enhanced recycling efforts in the schools, new school gardens and composting of cafeteria/kitchen food scraps are just some of what the Green Team is supporting.

If you would like to learn more, please check our website at [www.waylandgreenteam.org](http://www.waylandgreenteam.org), email us at, [info@waylandgreenteam.org](mailto:info@waylandgreenteam.org), or come to our next meeting, Monday, October 15, from 4:00-5:30pm, in the library at Happy Hollow School.

--- NO IDLING POLICY. Please adhere to the "No Idling" policy on our school campuses. It saves gas and reduces student, staff and your exposure to air pollutants.

--- TOWN WIDE RECYCLING. Note the addition of large blue recycling bins around town. Wayland has introduced single sort recycling - the bins can take glass, tin, aluminum, plastic (#1-7), cardboard, mixed paper, newspapers and magazines. Please encourage others to use them.

Thank you. -Wayland Schools Green Team

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## HEALTHY HOLLER

### **Vision and Hearing:**

- Will be done by the school nurses
- It will be done the week of October 22nd
- Vision and Hearing is a mandated screening required by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
- Vision screening is done in grades 1-5 and hearing screening in grades 1-3.
- Letters will be sent home if your child fails their screening. If your child is followed outside of school by a specialist, please send in a written note excusing your child from this screening.
- Student should wear their glasses if required for the testing

### **Strep throat:**

- **We are starting to see cases of strep throat**
- Please observe your children for symptoms of headache and stomach aches. They may or may not have a fever or complain of a sore throat. These are symptoms that we see in young children, and may be a sign of a strep throat infection. Letters are sent home to parents if we know of a case in your child's classroom.
- Please have your child evaluated by their physician if they show symptoms that do not go away.

### **Reminders:**

- **Please make sure that your cell phone is checked periodically throughout the day as there are times that contact must be made to a parent if your child is sick and/or injured.**
- **The school nurse may only leave a message on your home number informing you of your child's visit to the health room if they have been able to return to class.**
- **Please be sure that your child is appropriately clothed with the colder days ahead.**
- **Children in the lower grade levels should have a change of clothes available, placed in their backpacks in the event that clothes get wet during the school day.**
- **Please be sure your children are eating a good breakfast before they come to school. A morning snack should also be sent in with your child, to sustain them through their day.**

Please contact me with any questions and/or concerns. I am available in the school from 8am-3:30pm daily. There is also confidential voice mail at 508-358-6051.

Jeanne MacDonald RN

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## Curriculum Corner



### MUSIC NOTES

From: Dr. Susan Calkins, Music Teacher  
Happy October!  
Grade 2

Second graders will work on ensemble performing, vocal and rhythmic skills. A silly song, entitled "Ed the Ogre," will provide inspiration for a fun-filled group performance comprised of voices and percussion instruments...just in time for Halloween! Students will also be introduced to orchestral instrument families and then, practice recognizing and identifying instruments and families through listening/analysis activities.

From: Amy Pohl, Music Teacher  
**FIRST GRADE**

The first grade classes are playing xylophones, metallophones, and glockenspiels in music class. We used the instruments to practice keeping a steady beat with a folk song from Spain called "Arre Caballito." The children enjoyed galloping while singing about a person riding a horse to a celebration. We also used the xylophones, metallophones, and glockenspiels with a silly story titled "Mortimer" by Robert Munsche. Mortimer was a boy who liked to sing and dance in his bed when he was supposed to be sleeping. The first grade students played sounds that moved up on the instruments whenever his family had to walk up the stairs to say "MORTIMER BE QUIET" and sounds that moved down the xylophones whenever they walked back down. We also enjoyed singing Mortimer's noisy song.

**SECOND GRADE (Ms. Knox's class)**

The second grade student's in Ms. Knox's class are having fun moving to music, singing, and playing instruments. The following are some highlights from the past few weeks. We played hand drums with the poem "Peas Porridge Hot" to help us review rhythms. After reading "The Very Lonely Firefly" by Eric Carle we moved with scarves like fireflies and sang a firefly song to add to the story accompanied by our own xylophone playing. We also used the scarves to move like leaves falling from trees as we dramatize the song "Trees in the Forest." We practiced keeping a steady beat on the xylophones while singing this autumn song. "Acka Backa" was one of our favorite games so far and included passing a ball to the beat.

**THIRD GRADE**

In music class the past few weeks the third grade students have been busy singing, moving, reading music, and playing instruments. Each class we read rhythm cards to become familiar or practice reading rhythmic notation. One favorite game in music class was "Oboshinottentotten." This camp song encouraged beat keeping and concentration as we passed the beat waiting to see who would be out. We also added xylophones to this song in order to further practice out beat keeping skills. Next we sang "Great Big House" a song that included math (multiplication), movements, a partner hand clapping pattern, and a time to switch partners! I was amazed at their enthusiasm and focus as they incorporated so many elements into one song. Ask your children if they can sing either of these songs for you at home.

**FOURTH GRADE**

The 4th grade students are playing instruments, singing, reading rhythms, and moving to music. Recently we focused on songs and instrumental pieces that include sixteenth notes. These notes can move quickly and sometimes are challenging to play. We played a mallet piece called "Ding Dong" on xylophones that can also be performed in a round. More recently we practiced the drumming piece "Listen to My Heartbeat." Our sounds echoed through the halls of Happy Hollow school when more than 20 drums sounded together in rhythm with each other.

**FIFTH GRADE**

Due to the Monday holidays I have seen the fifth grade students only a few times since the beginning of school. In our first few classes we had a lot of fun playing the Caribbean singing game "Four White Horses." This game included a complex hand clapping pattern performed with four students in a group moving up, down, and side to side. There was a lot of laughter, concentration, and enthusiasm as each group tried to master the complex pattern and tried to sing along.



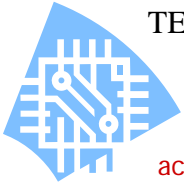
We are now beginning a drumming project called "East side West side" to help us review and practice our rhythms.

#### HAPPY HOLLOW 4th & 5th GRADE CHORUS

Our first concert of the year is called "Wayland Sings" and includes the High School, Middle School, Claypit, and Happy Hollow choruses. The concert is Thursday, November 8th at 7:00 pm in the high school field house.

#### HAPPY HOLLOW 4th & 5th GRADE CHORUS

The fourth and fifth grade students received a purple chorus letter this week. If your child is interested in joining please turn in the signed form or e-mail me at [Amy\\_Pohl@wayland.k12.ma.us](mailto:Amy_Pohl@wayland.k12.ma.us). The Happy Hollow Chorus is a free program offered to all fourth and fifth grade students on Thursday mornings before school. We meet at 8:10 am in the Happy Hollow music room and will perform in November and January. Please feel free to e-mail or call [\(508\) 358-2120](tel:5083582120) if you have any questions. Our first rehearsal is Thursday, September 27th at 8:10 am.



## TECHNOLOGY NEWS

Grade 4 and 5 students began the year in technology learning about the new "Wayland Acceptable Use/Internet Safety Policy, LARK." Every student was introduced to the policy and we now use the acronym LARK to represent our commitment to being Legal, Appropriate, Responsible and Kind. Throughout the year we will weave this theme into our technology lessons as we learn to use computers and the internet.

Every student in grades 4 and 5 have been given a Google Applications account. These accounts are issued to students for the purpose of enriching their educational experience. Students are learning that LARK tells us these accounts are only to be used for school work. In our learning about LARK, students discussed this at length and they all understand that accounts and technology tools given to them by the Wayland Public Schools are only to be used for their school projects and assignments.

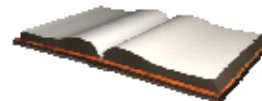
In the coming month we will be learning more about Internet Safety as we celebrate Cyber-Safety Month in October.

### Technology News for Grades 1-3 from Beth Crozier

It's been wonderful getting reacquainted with the children. They have done an excellent job reviewing computer lab rules and procedures. As well as logging into many of the curriculum computer tools we use at school, like Lexia and Everyday Mathematics.

October brings us to Cybersafety month. We will have focused lessons on staying safe while online. We will begin with a general overview of the Student Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) policy. We are using the acronym LARK - Legal, Appropriate, Responsible and Kind. This will lead us into conversations related to what is private information, appropriate use of school tools, using kind language when communicating online and so forth.

## HAPPENINGS IN THE HAPPY HOLLOW LIBRARY



Our library has been a busy place this last month. Students have been checking out books, reading books online, and on our newly purchased Nooks. During weekly class time, fifth graders have been studying the early explorers and beginning a research project on an individual explorer. Fourth graders are learning how to use atlases, latitude and longitude and maps. Students in Grade 3 are learning about how non fiction books are categorized in the library and how to find the book they want using the online catalog. Second graders are learning the difference between fiction and non fiction books and how to find them on the shelves. Students in first grade have been exploring the fiction books and learning how to find a book by the author. All students are engaged in becoming independent library users. We also have a group of fifth graders who volunteer their time in the library checking out books, reshelving them and helping younger students find books.

if you have any questions about the library, please do not hesitate to contact me.

## 2012-2013 PTO Events: Happy Hollow Save the Date

*Together We Can Make It Happen!*

Dates subject to change

EVENT	DATE/TIME	CONTACT
Gift Your Child: Part 1	August – December 1	<a href="#">Amy Simmons</a>
Cultural Enrichment	Ongoing	<a href="#">Alexia Obar &amp; Seta Abrahamian</a>
Just Like Me	Throughout the year	3rd Grade: <a href="#">Beth Byrne</a> 4th Grade: <a href="#">Jen Bonner</a>
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Activities	TBA	<a href="#">Kate MacDonald</a>
Happy Hollow T-Shirt Sales	Sept. 10 (M) – Sept. 28 (F)	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong &amp; Nell Getz</a>
Happy Hollow Farmers Market	Sept. 13 (Th) at 2:30 pm	<a href="#">Stephanie Howard-Delman</a>
Curriculum Night: Grades 3-5	Sept. 13 (Th) at 7:00 pm	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
Room Parent Kick Off Meeting	Sept. 14 (F) at 8:45 am	<a href="#">Rama Ravi</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade & New Families Coffee	Sept. 18 (T) at 9:00 am HH Caf	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade: <a href="#">Julie Suratt &amp; Jamie Janoff</a> New: <a href="#">Cathy Caulfield &amp; Sally Lehr</a>
Picture Day	Sept. 20 (Th)	<a href="#">Carla Stafford</a>
Curriculum Night: Grades 1-2	Sept. 20 (Th) at 7:00 pm	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
PTO Board Meeting (starting in Oct.)	1 <sup>st</sup> Mon. of the month @ 9:30 am	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
PTO Meeting: Meet your School District Leaders <i>(Babysitting Provided)</i>	Oct. 18 (Th) at 5:30 pm Pizza Meeting starts at 6:00 pm	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
Book Fair	Oct. 25 & 26 (Th & F)	<a href="#">Lynne Cribben &amp; Gretchen Dresens</a>
Halloween Movie Night	Oct. 26 (F) at 6:30 pm	<a href="#">Elena Taxiarchis</a>
Coffee with Mr. Lee (starting in Oct.)	Monthly	<a href="#">Rebecca Purdin</a>
Toy Drive	November/December	<a href="#">Alexia Obar</a>
Holiday Teacher & Staff Appreciation	Mid-December	<a href="#">Michele Loconzolo &amp; Leslie Thompkins</a>
Fitness Challenge	January	<a href="#">Jeanne Brown</a>
Town-wide PTO Meeting	Winter 2013	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
Gift Your Child: Part 2, Backpack Auction	January	<a href="#">Amy Simmons</a>
Lice Checks	Jan. 8 (Tu) at 8:45 am	<a href="#">Elizabeth Curtin</a>
Lice Checks	Feb. 26 (Tu) at 8:45 am	<a href="#">Elizabeth Curtin</a>
Talent Show	Mar. 15 (F)	<a href="#">Nan Li</a>
Town-wide Bingo at WMS cafeteria	Mar. 22 (F) at 6:00 pm	<a href="#">Alexia Obar</a>
Lice Checks	Apr. 23 (Tu) at 8:45 am	<a href="#">Elizabeth Curtin</a>
Earth Day Events	Apr. 27 & 28 (Sa & Su)	<a href="#">Katrien Vander Staeten</a>
Annual PTO Meeting & Thank you Breakfast	Jun. 6 (F) at 9:15 am HH Caf	<a href="#">Stephanie Leong</a>
End of Year Picnic	Jun. 10 (M) at 5:30 pm Rain Date: Jun. 11 (Tu)	<a href="#">Nell Getz</a>
Book Fair	Jun. 10 & 11 (M & Tu)	<a href="#">Lynne Cribben &amp; Gretchen Dresens</a>
Teacher & Staff Appreciation Event	Jun. 14 (F)	<a href="#">Michele Loconzolo &amp; Leslie Thompkins</a>

## PTO Volunteer Needs



### HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT HELPERS NEEDED

Parents, we need volunteers to help with decorations, tickets, food and cleanup for the PTO Halloween Movie Night on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00 pm. Email us if you can join us: [etaxiarchis@pbl.com](mailto:etaxiarchis@pbl.com) and [klevy@whdh.com](mailto:klevy@whdh.com).

## Did You Know??

### GIFT YOUR CHILD

Many people ask what the PTO does with the money raised through Gift Your Child read on to find out about just a few of the many ways the PTO put your donations Happy Hollow last year:

- The PTO Cultural Enrichment Committee spent \$4100 on presentations for grades 1-5 including
- a Russian Fold Dance presentation from Iveria (a Georgian National Song Dance Ensemble), a performance by Sol y Canto (a Pan-Latin music ensemble), and a presentation of Lasermania! By Prismatic Magic.
- For the second year in a row, the PTO donated new playground structures (including installation) at Happy Hollow, spending almost \$10,000 to add three new structures to our outdoor playspace – ask your kids about them or check them out yourself!
- The PTO provided \$2900 towards funding a new sound system for Happy Hollow to be used at school events, including weekly school meetings.
- The PTO spent \$310 to purchase Race to Nowhere for Happy Hollow to present to the community.
- The PTO spent over \$3600 towards grade-level enrichment programs including the Museum of Science's Animal Adaptations presentation for the fourth grade, the Discovery Museum's Physical Changes of Matter presentation for the second grade, the Young Audiences of MA's Promised Lands presentation for the fourth grade, the Potato Hills Poetry workshop for the third grade, and many grade-level books, tools and materials throughout the school.
- The PTO sponsored an author/illustrator visit for the entire school from Brian Lies of Bats at the Beach, Bats at the Library and Bats at the Ballgame fame.
- The PTO sponsored many school-wide activities including the PTO's Halloween Movie Night, monthly Coffees with Mr. Lee, the annual Talent Show, the end-of-year celebration picnic, as well as teacher appreciation events.



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The PTO relies on Gift Your Child donations from all of you, in conjunction with the proceeds from our winter Backpack Auction, to provide these and many more enhancements for our children's schools and for our school community. We thank the many families who have already so generously donated. If you have not donated yet, it is not too late! You can donate easily and securely on-line with a credit card at [www.waylandpto.org](http://www.waylandpto.org), or you can return your donation (checks made out to "Wayland PTO"), along with the pledge card from your orange envelope, via your child's backpack to the attention of PTO Gift Your Child. Your donation is 100% tax-deductible, and is eligible for employee matching gifts programs. Donations of ALL sizes will have a direct and meaningful impact on the PTO's ability to continue funding all of these programs and more.

If you have any questions about Gift Your Child, please contact Amy Simmons at [simmons221@comcast.net](mailto:simmons221@comcast.net).

## PTO Events



### MEET YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT LEADERS!

**Thursday, October 18, 2012 @ Wayland Middle School**

5:30pm Pizza (Cafeteria)

6:00pm - 7:30pm Presentation (Auditorium)

You won't want to miss this joint Elementary School PTO event to hear your School District leaders speak about their goals for the year and how they relate to the curriculum currently being taught to our children.

#### Featured speakers:

Elementary Principals Debbie Bears, Brian Jones, & Jim Lee  
Superintendent, Paul Stein

Director of Technology and Accountability, Leisha Simon

Math & Science Curriculum Director, Tricia O'Reilly

English Language Arts & Social Studies Curriculum Director, Karyn Saxon

METCO Director, Mabel Reid-Wallace

K-12 Instructional Technology Department, Bethann Monahan

Pizza dinner from 5:30 to 6:30. Please RSVP to Elisa Scola at [cpandes@yahoo.com](mailto:cpandes@yahoo.com) if you would like to join us for pizza.

Babysitting from 6:00 pm until the end of the event, provided by BASE staff. Children must be potty-trained and able to separate from their parents.

For more information please contact, Stephanie Leong at [happyhollowpto@gmail.com](mailto:happyhollowpto@gmail.com).

### COFFEE WITH MR. LEE



### Get Updated on the Elementary Building Use Task Force

Friday Oct 26th @ 9:00AM

The Elementary Building Use Task Force is examining Wayland's elementary schools and their space use and needs. Come meet with Mr. Lee to hear an update on the issues being discussed and ideas being put forward.

Following a study from an independent firm that showed Claypit Hill, Happy Hollow and Loker School had some challenges in terms of both the time and space utilization at the schools, the task force was formed to identify options and priorities regarding the utilization of elementary space, and conduct a cost/benefit analysis for each option to ensure an equitable, high quality educational program for all students.

# HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT

JOIN US FOR A SPOOKTACULAR NIGHT!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 p.m.



Bring a blanket and watch a movie in the gym includes the movie, popcorn and a bag of treats! (This is a family event. All kids must be accompanied by an adult.) And don't forget to browse the Book Fair before the movie.

with other Happy Hollow families. \$2 at the door

Wondering what the movie will be? The kids decide! Email your kid's choice to [etaxiarchis@pbl.com](mailto:etaxiarchis@pbl.com) and [klevy@whdh.com](mailto:klevy@whdh.com). The options are:

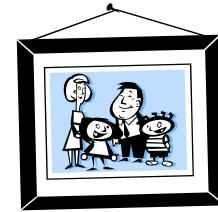
- \_\_\_ Spooky Buddies
- \_\_\_ The Lorax
- \_\_\_ Madagascar 3
- \_\_\_ Other (\_\_\_\_\_)

## PTO News

### 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MEMORY BOOK

\*\*\*ALL 5th Grade Parents\*\*\*

We need an individual Kindergarten photograph of your child to include in this year's and slideshow. The younger picture you provide will be shown next to their 5th grade Kindergarten photo can be a school picture or a picture taken at home.



Memory Book picture. The

**Important:** We need your photos as soon as possible, in order to create the best Memory Book for your children.

- Ways to submit your photo
- Email digital copy: [hmemorybook@gmail.com](mailto:hmemorybook@gmail.com)
- Hard copy: Put in your child's backpack for his/her teacher.
- Mail: Kristen Fuller, 152 Boston Post Road, Wayland MA 01778

Questions: Contact Kristen Fuller or Carla Stafford at [hmemorybook@gmail.com](mailto:hmemorybook@gmail.com).



### WAYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIRECTORY

Would you like to plan a play date for your child but you don't know her friend's phone number? Can't remember little Joey Smith's mom's name? Do you need to mail out invitations to your child's birthday party but you don't know any of his friends' addresses? If you had a Wayland Public Schools Directory, you could look that information up and more – it has a school calendar, school district contact information, month-by-month planner, and contact information for all (listed) children in the district from kindergarten through 12th grade – all in one convenient directory.

The good news is that you can buy one now from your PTO! You can order your directory on-line with your credit card at [www.waylandpto.org](http://www.waylandpto.org) and it will be sent home to you in your child's backpack. They are \$15/each, and are a great resource to have on-hand. Buy two and keep one in your car! For alternate purchasing arrangements, please contact Amy Simmons at [simmons221@comcast.net](mailto:simmons221@comcast.net).

### HAPPY HOLLOW T-SHIRTS ORDERED!

Your spirit wear is coming soon!

Thank you for showing your Happy Hollow School spirit. Look out for your t-shirt arrive home by backpack in the middle of October. For more information, please Getz at [nellgetzie@gmail.com](mailto:nellgetzie@gmail.com).



order to contact Nell

## Happy Hollow Hurrah

A big shout out to... Mainstone Farm owner Pauline for providing the produce at the Happy Hollow Farmers' Market!! If missed the market, head over to Wayland's own Mainstone Farm on Old Connecticut Path right before Coach Grill for a second chance. Eat local and seasonal!

Visit us online at <http://www.happyhollowpto.org/>

Wayland SEPAC - Special Education Parent Advisory Council **invites parents to its first meeting on Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. at Bistro 20, located on Route 20 in Sudbury. Come and meet SEPAC officers and other parents and share ideas.**

# Ever wanted to see your teachers in a dunk tank?

.....Now's your chance!

**What?** Wayland Community Fall Festival

**Where?** WHS Softball field (front of the school)

**When?** 11am-4pm, October 13<sup>th</sup>

Carnival games

Pumpkin painting

Food

Dunk tank

Live music

Raffle baskets

AND MORE!

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# MEMORIES IN STONE



- **Inscribe your memories on a brick at the school of your choice.** You can honor your child's teacher, memorialize your child's school year or commemorate your child's team; choose your own words, your own memory, use clip art.
- New bricks will be added to installations at the school(s) of your choice: High School- bus drop off area; Middle School- along the front walkway; Happy Hollow- around the tree and bench at side entrance; Loker- along the front garden beds; and Claypit Hill- ramp at front entrance.
- Is this a gift or honorarium? We'll send a gift card.
- Proceeds benefit Wayland METCO and Wayland k-12 school programming.  
 Questions? Contact Wayland METCO at 508-358-3755 or email to [rena\\_santillo@wayland.k12.ma.us](mailto:rena_santillo@wayland.k12.ma.us)

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**BRICK ORDER FORM**

First/Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Price:** \$75.00 per brick, \$50 for each additional brick. Add \$10 for specific clip art (see reverse). Please use a separate message section for each additional brick and attach to this form.

Quantity of Bricks Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to Wayland Public Schools METCO Program** and mail to 41 Cochituate Road, Wayland, MA 01778 or bring to school office.

**Message:** There are 16 characters and spaces per line and two or three lines per brick (if clip art is used, 12 characters per line). Bricks are in upper case block letters. Each space counts as one character, including punctuation.


Yes, I want clip art, see attached 'Brick Layouts with Clip Art and Clip Art Library' form. \_\_\_\_\_

**Brick Location:** \_\_\_ Loker \_\_\_ Happy Hollow \_\_\_ Claypit Hill \_\_\_ Middle School \_\_\_ High School




**Gift Information:**

This is a gift for \_\_\_\_\_ Gift address \_\_\_\_\_

Gift message or occasion \_\_\_\_\_



# **SAMPLES MESSAGES FOR YOUR BRICKS**

<b>MR. SMITH SCHOOL LIBRARIAN 2001-08</b>	<b>THANKS TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS</b>	<b>THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES, MS. SMITH</b>
<b>THANKS TO MS. SMITH FOR A GREAT YEAR</b>	<b>METCO CULTIVATES UNDERSTANDING</b>	
 <b>WHS WARRIORS 2006 SUPER BOWL WINNERS</b>	<b>CAPA CELEBRATES THE FINE ARTS THE SMITH FAMIY</b>	<b>IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOHN SMITH</b>
<b>KATE'S PARENTS ARE VERY PROUD OF HER-2006</b>	<b>KATE SMITH WAS HERE 2001-2006</b>	
<b>KATE SMITH WAS HERE</b>	 <b>CONGRATS CLASS OF 2009</b>	 <b>KATE, JOHN SMITH 2001-08</b>
<b>EVERY PROBLEM HAS A SOLUTION</b>	<b>THE SMITH FAMILY</b>	
<b>TAYLOR SCHOOL ROCKS!</b>	<b>KATE AND KARA FOREVER 2008</b>	<b>JOHN PLAYED HERE</b>

Create a message, for your child, for a teacher, for a class.

**BE CREATIVE.** Clip art available.

Personal art will be considered for an additional \$100.

8' x 8' possible for additional cost.

**JOIN THE OVER 150 OTHER FAMILIES WHO HAVE LEFT THEIR  
'MEMORIES IN STONE'.**