



HPES NEWSFLASH



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From the Principal

Reminder that there is NO SCHOOL tomorrow, Friday, February 7th for Professional Development.

Lunch Room Info

Does your child need to heat up their lunch in the lunchroom? We have 2 microwaves to heat up lunches. This usually takes about 1 minute per student. We cannot cook meals in the microwave. Our lunch period is about 25 minutes and students have been bringing products that require adding water and cooking. This can take more than 5 minutes per student (if they are lucky), that can also be very messy with mixing, and some students are also asking for bowls to use to prep. Please help us out by prepping your lunches at home (macaroni, ramen, etc), and sending them in for a quick "zap" so all students can have access to the microwave. Thank you!

HPES Composts!

Since 2014, in partnership with Black Dirt Farm of Stannard, VT, HPES has: Diverted 66,312 lbs of food scraps from the landfill; Mitigated Greenhouse gases equivalent to not burning 2,947.2 gallons of gasoline; and Captured enough Nitrogen to fertilize 4.97 acres of mixed vegetable crops! Together, we have retained these resources in our community, strengthening the local economy and contributing to a regenerative local food system. Well done HPES!

Big Change Roundup

Each year many kids, near and far, visit the University of Vermont Children's Hospital. This year, all of the elementary schools in Lamoille North are joining forces with Clark's Truck Center to help raise money for this amazing place. The concept is simple...kids helping kids, one dime at a time. Remember that 100% of the donations go directly to the University of Vermont Children's Hospital and every penny helps! Donations will be collected through February 21st.

Library News

World Read Aloud Day was on Wednesday, February 5th. Classrooms celebrated this day with a special guest reader from our Hyde Park community. Thanks to Ms. Amy Olsen for coordinating the visitor side of this event. Stay tuned; we have more collaborative town and school library events planned this spring including a visit with author Natalie Kinsey-Warnock and our annual Wishtree event.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here next week... February 10-13! Flyers went home this week and shopping is already open online through 2/19. Students will be able to browse and shop during their library classes [Monday-Thursday. Friday classes will be invited to visit earlier in the week.] Scholastic now has an EWallet feature where you can set up a pre-authorized payment for your student online in this secure way to give kids money to spend on books. Sign up on our Book Fair Homepage

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/hpeshawks>.

Thanks to the 6th grade parents for staffing the evening shifts. Proceeds from this spring fair will benefit our school library collection.

Book Fair Hours

Mon 2/10 Set-up 10a-12 / Open 3-6p

Tue 2/11 Open 10-2p & 3-6p

Wed 2/12 Open 8-11a & 3-6p

Thu 2/13 Open 11a-12p / Pack-up 12-3p.



20/21 Preschool Screening

HPES Preschool screenings for the 2020-2021 School Year will be held Friday, February 14th and Thursday, March 19th (only need to attend one).

New this year: parents must register children online. (Registering your child online does not guarantee a slot in the class.)

What to expect at the screening: Your child will play with other children in the preschool classroom where they will interact and be observed by the teachers to gain a sense of their development, language, interests, and readiness for a school setting. Please bring:

- Photocopy of your child's birth certificate
- A copy of your child's immunization records
- Proof of residency in Hyde Park (example: utility bill)

Please sign up for a screening session (either February 14th or March 19th) by calling Karen Aither at 521-5418. **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SCREENED** prior to entering preschool. These sessions will run for approximately 30 minutes and begin promptly at 9:00 AM. The last session to be scheduled will be at 2:00 PM. **You will be given the next available time slot** when you call to ensure screenings are efficient and maximize child access.



Upcoming Events

NO SCHOOL - Prof. Dev.

Friday, February 7th

NO SCHOOL - Winter Break/Town Meeting

February 24 - March 3

PIE for Breakfast

Saturday, March 14th (3.14)

Sports For Life

Our LAST Sports for Life day is Thursday, February 13th.

LACN Fundraiser

Mrs. Baxter and Mrs. Anderson's classes are collecting cans/bottles to raise money for our Annual Mud Run this May. All donations will support Lamoille Area Cancer Network (LACN). Please drop off your cans/bottles by the HPES main entrance. Thank you for your contributions!

Lost and Found

HELP! The Lost and Found is full of winter clothing and boots. PLEASE come in and check it out or have your child look for any missing items. On February 21st all remaining items in the Lost and Found will be donated.

Bake Sale Total

Thank you to all who participated and donated in our fundraiser bake sale. A BIG THANK YOU to the 5th graders and their families who made baked goods and donated their time for a great cause. The bake sale raised \$170.75 toward the fundraiser which will go to LACN and a group that supports Autism Awareness.

We will be having an art sale soon to raise more money as well as another bake sale this spring. Also, there is a pink and blue donation box in the front lobby so feel free to donate anytime!

~Ms. I and The Cancer & Autism Awareness Fundraiser Group



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