

April 30, 2009

Hardy Herald

CALENDAR

- May 1:** Walkathon
- May 5:** PTO Meeting
(6:30 in Library)
- May 7:** 5th Grade Plant
Sale 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- May 7:** Arts Night
- May 4-8:** Teacher
Appreciation Week
- May 25:** Memorial Day
– **No School**

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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*to report your child's
absence, tardiness or
dismissals before 8:30
a.m.*

Upcoming Events – Save these dates!

WALKATHON THIS FRIDAY!

Just a reminder that the second annual Walkathon will take place this Friday May 1st immediately after school. Please make sure to get in your registration sheets and make sure to get pledges. The money we raise will go to field trips.

As an added bonus, **Mr. Swanson** is going to make a guest appearance (and you know he will want to see you walking and turning in pledges!). Also, we are expecting other Hardy staff including some of the teachers, will also join us for a lap or two. We will have some healthy snacks and prizes as well.

If you have any questions concerning the Walkathon, please feel free to contact Betsey Crimmins or Marty Young. We'll see you Friday!

Parents and Students,

Hardy School will celebrate Teacher Appreciation on Monday, May 4th through Friday, May 8th.

On **Wednesday, May 6th** the teachers will be presented with a gift of flowers. **On this day, we would also like to have the students give their teacher(s) a homemade card, poem, or drawing, etc. to express their thanks.** We would like to encourage all students and families to participate. Please have your child bring in their card, poem or drawing on Wednesday May 6th to give to their teacher(s) in the morning when the flowers are presented.

Also, one room parent from each class is needed to present the flowers to the teacher. I will be at the playground by 7:45am on Wednesday, May 6th so you can pick up the flowers then. Flowers will be distributed to teachers right after the morning bell. Please email me to let me know the parent that will be taking this responsibility and the teacher they will be distributing the flowers to.

THANKS and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Linda Medwar
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Room Parent for Mrs. Sullivan, Grade 4

[More events on the next page...]

The Herald is published every other week on Thursday, taking vacations into consideration. The deadline for submitting articles is Tuesday, two days before publication. Our next deadline is 5/12 for a publication date of 5/13.

Please submit your article in the text of an e-mail to: hardyherald@arlington.k12.ma.us
If you don't get a reply that it's been received, please re-submit!

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL

Monday, June 22nd - 180th School Day LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
[*Note change due to TWO Snow Day]

Opening day for the 2009-2010 school year will be Thursday, September 10th for grades 1-12 and Monday, September 14th for kindergarten.

Upcoming events, cont'd...

Hardy Arts Night – May 7

It's that time of year again! On behalf of the Hardy Art and Music Department, you are cordially invited to our spring Arts Night. Student artwork will be displayed in our gallery in the gym, while we listen to the musical talents of many of the Hardy students.

Every student at Hardy will display artwork created during art class. This is an all-school show so everyone is included. Please don't hesitate to discuss the projects with your student. They have been working very hard!

The show is on Thursday, May 7, 2009 and will run from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of May 7th!
Sincerely,
Deb Martin
Hardy Art Teacher

Fifth Grade Flower Sale

Just in time for Mother's Day, the 5th Grade Flower Sale will take place on Thursday, May 7 (raindate May 8) from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the schoolyard.

Favorites such as gerbera daisy, ivy geraniums, impatiens and other wonderful spring plants from the Boston flower market will be for sale. Pots hand-painted by fifth graders will also be available. Prices will range from \$5 to \$25.

All proceeds go to special end of the year activities for Hardy's graduating class. Come early for the best selection of plants, they always sell out!

HASP Summer Camp Openings

Hardy Explorer's Camp still has openings
For children going into 4th, 5th and 6th grades

Are your kids looking for something to do?
Come join us for a Paw Sox game, Whale Watching, Canobie Lake Park, Water Country, A Duck Boat Tour, An Egyptian Mystery (TOMB), biking up to the Res and ICE CREAM at the Chilly Cow!

Please contact Todd Morse or Hannah Mathes at HASP
781-316-3734 or tmorse@arlington.k12.ma.us

NEW SUMMERFUN CLASSES JUST ADDED!
Arlington SummerFun 2009 is brought to you by
the Arlington Public Schools

MIX AND MATH: A RECIPE FOR LEARNING

Instructors: Liz Higgins, Tara Lamont, Sharon McLaughlin, Bishop School kindergarten and Gr. 1 teachers

Entering Grades 1-2 | Maximum of 20 students

Using small group instruction, we will explore and review math concepts through games, manipulatives, literacy, crafts and hands-on activities to improve and build numbers sense. Tuition includes all materials. This class meets at Arlington's BISHOP SCHOOL.

June 29th-July 3 9am-12pm \$135 Code SF78
July 6-10 9am-12pm \$135 Code SF79

EXPLORING PHOTOGRAPHY

Instructor: Heidyn Harris, Dallin School Grade 5 Teacher

Entering Grades 3-5 | Maximum of 8 students

Through viewing photojournalist art and learning the fundamental steps for creating a photographic essay (storyboarding, editing, presentation, etc.), students will use their imagination, creativity and new skills to create a photographic storyboard that tells an original story. We will use disposable 35mm cameras; students will pay for developing their own film. Tuition includes a \$6 materials fee.

July 13-17 1-4pm \$141 Code SF70

AMERICAN GIRL DOLL FUN

Instructor: Alanna Masterson, Westgate Christian Second Grade Teacher

Entering Grades 1-3 | Maximum of 12 students

This class brings our favorite dolls to life by reading books, playing games, acting out scenes, doing crafts and learning a bit about history in the process. Each week will focus on one of the American Girl dolls, reading some fantastic books about her and having fun with our dolls.

July 13-17 9am-noon \$140 Code SF75

WAY COOL COOKING

Instructor: Kimberly A. Lane, Hardy Kindergarten Teacher

Entering Grades 1-3/4-6 | Maximum of 8 students

These cooking sessions are a great way to teach children lifelong skills and ignite an interest in all things culinary. We will have a blast while we prepare foods that are fun to make and delicious to eat. And we will pick up lots of cooking skills along the way. Children will leave with a cookbook of recipes at the end of the week. Tuition includes a \$10 food fee.

Grades 1-3 July 13-17 1-4pm \$145 Code SF76

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Instructor: Cory Gunther, Arlington High Biology and Physical Science Teacher
Entering Grades 1-3/4-6 | Maximum of 10 students

Learn about the different kinds of creatures found right in your neighborhood. We will observe organisms such as birds, insects, flowers and trees. Students will keep a nature journal to record their observations. This class will include reading stories, art projects and games. Each day we will focus on a different organism, so get ready to catch and release all kinds of bugs, and look closely at flowers and leaves with microscopes and magnifying glasses! Tuition includes \$5 materials fee.

Grades 1-3 July 20-24 1-4pm \$140 Code SF77

Go to www.arlingtoncommunityed.org for MORE SummerFun classes!