

September 24, 2009

Hardy Herald



CALENDAR

Sept. 24: Curriculum Night: 6 – 8 p.m.

Oct. 6: Early Dismissal: 12:30

Oct 6: Picture Day!

Oct. 6: PTO Meeting in Library: 6:30-8:00 p.m

Oct. 12: Columbus Day – **NO SCHOOL**

See the full calendar on the Hardy website: www.HardySchool.com

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Safe Arrivals
Call 781-316-3780 or e-mail:
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to report your child's absence, tardiness or dismissals before 8:30 a.m.

Garden News

Celebrate Autumn by donating perennials and flower bulbs to our school garden!!

Hello, Hardy Community,

Autumn is the best time to divide overcrowded perennials and to collect flower seeds. Our garden will be very welcoming of new plants, seeds, fall bulbs, or anything garden-related that might be looking for a new home. How about a beautiful stone, a solar clock, a bird feeder, old bricks or cobblestones? Or perhaps a perennial bush, flowers, ornamental grasses, extra gardening tools, you name it!

We have five raised beds that very soon will be ready for planting. Our hope is to have the school children do most of the planting so they create an active connection with the garden. We plan for it to be used by all school grades in activities related to the curriculum. We'll have a butterfly garden, a sensory garden, herbal garden, colonial and vegetable gardens. The children currently learn about composting, worms, and soil differences at school. Now, with the garden, they will have the chance for hands-on experience with those activities.

And if you happen to have a special talent with landscaping or laying patio bricks or stones, and have time to share your expertise with us, please, don't hesitate to contact us. We would love to be able to create the outside "classroom" as part of the garden this year. This will be where the children can meet with their teacher to participate in school-related activities in the garden. However, making a patio isn't easy for the inexperienced, so if you can help us, we might be able to have our patio ready sooner rather than later.

We look forward to experiencing all the seasons with you in our new school garden!

Happy Autumn,

Cristiana Navarro and Suma Greenwald
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Read the Herald online: <http://www.HardySchool.com/herald.html>

The Hardy Herald is published every other week on Thursday, taking vacations into consideration. The deadline for submitting articles is Tuesday, two days before publication. The Herald will be distributed via Hardy Parents e-mail group AND available on the Hardy website.

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

Next Deadline:
Tuesday, October 6

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, October 6:
EARLY RELEASE:
12:30 Dismissal

Monday, October 12:
Columbus Day: **NO SCHOOL**

Tuesday, Nov. 3:
EARLY RELEASE:
12:30 Dismissal

Wednesday, Nov. 11:
Veteran's Day: **NO SCHOOL**

Find the entire APS 2009/2010 school calendar at:
http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/news/09-10schoolcalendar_redirect.asp

English Conversation Classes

English Conversation Classes for International Parents

Do you want to improve your English communication skills? Please join the Hardy ELL class for adults where you can practice speaking English and enjoy an interesting multicultural exchange at the same time. We'll discuss practical matters such as communicating with teachers, going shopping and visiting the doctor. We'll also review fun topics such as local customs, holidays, travel and more.

Classes meet for one hour once a week in the Hardy ELL classroom. The specific day(s) and times will be announced at a later date.

If you are interested, please send an e-mail to e-mail Heather Smith at harchersmith@yahoo.com or call: 781-526-7929.

Community events

Women's Used Clothing Needed

Organizers are seeking donations of gently-used women's clothing and accessories in preparation for a **sale to benefit the Friends of the Fox Library**. Donations will be accepted from 4-8pm on six consecutive Wednesdays, beginning September 16, in the lower level of the Fox Library, 175 Massachusetts Ave (entrance on Cleveland St), East Arlington, or by appointment.

The sale will take place on Friday, November 13, 5-9pm, and Saturday, November 14, 1-6pm, in the lower level of the Fox, and will feature current fashions in like-new condition, including clothing, shoes, jewelry, handbags, scarves, hats, gloves, belts, and vintage clothing and accessories (1970's and earlier), and an eclectic selection of house wares.

To make an appointment or for more information, send an email to maryellen@28Coolidge.com or call Judy at 781 405-7451.



Arlington Town Day – Friday Night and Saturday, September 25 & 26.

Full schedule here:

http://www.arlingtonma.gov/Public_Documents/ArlingtonMA_Selectmen/TownDay/index