

October 8, 2009

Hardy Herald



CALENDAR

Oct. 12: Columbus Day – **NO SCHOOL**

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

Book Fair

Booklovers and parents of booklovers rejoice!

The annual Hardy PTO-sponsored Book Fair will be held in the school library from **Wednesday, October 21st to Tuesday, October 27th**. Once again, Book Ends bookstore in Winchester will be supplying the books and there will be hundreds of terrific titles to choose from. If you would like your child to purchase books, please send them with money on their scheduled library day (listed below).

The Book Fair will also be open for parents from 2:00 to 3:00pm every day after school and all afternoon on Tuesday Oct. 27th. Feel free to drop by with your child.

On Tuesday evening, October 27th, we will conclude our Book Fair week with a puppet show starring the Chinese Monkey King! Hardy parent Margaret Moody of Galapagos Puppets will perform "Monkey Wreaks Havoc in Heaven." Join us for cider and cookies at 6:30pm, followed by the 7pm show. Children are invited to stay downstairs and enjoy the half hour performance while adults go upstairs to browse and shop.

We need volunteers to make this week-long event a success. If you are interested in helping, contact Cristiana deCarvalho at Cris.ndec@gmail.com.

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| Wed | 8:30 - 9:00 | Grade 5 | Morello |
| 10/21 | 9:00 - 9:40 | Grade 4 | Harrington |
| | 10:20 - 11:00 | Grade 2 | Lane |
| | 11:30 - 12:10 | Grade 3 | Gregg |
| | 12:10 - 12:50 | Grade 1 | Mann |
| Thurs | 9:00 - 9:40 | Grade 4 | Trivino |
| 10/22 | 9:40 - 10:20 | Grade 5 | Johnstone |
| | 10:20 - 11:00 | Grade 2 | DeCifuentes |
| | 12:10 - 12:50 | K-2 | Eldredge |
| Fri | 10:20 - 11:00 | Grade 2 | Brambilla |
| 10/23 | 11:30 - 12:10 | Grade 1 | Elliott |
| | 12:50 - 1:30 | Grade 1 | Pierce |
| Mon | 11:30 - 12:10 | Grade 3 | Doherty/ DeFrancisco |
| 10/26 | 12:50-1:30 | K-3 | Dusombre |
| Tues | 11:30 - 12:10 | Grade 3 | Bisson |
| 10/27 | 12:10 - 12:50 | K-1 | Pielech |

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Deborah D'Amico
Principal
Linda Garrity,
Secretary
781-316-3782

Claire Lewkowicz,
Nurse
781-316-3788

Todd Morse, HASP
781-316-3734

Safe Arrivals
Call 781-316-3780 or
e-mail:
kmerta@arlington.k12.ma.us
lgarrity@arlington.k12.ma.us

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

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 20

IMPORTANT DATES

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

SEPAC Basic Rights Workshop

Basic Rights Workshop

Thurs. Oct. 15th, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Hardy Elementary School, 52 Lake St.
(parent networking 6:30-7, Workshop 7-9pm)

This workshop provides families with an introduction to their rights and responsibilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Massachusetts Special Education Law and No Child Left Behind (NCLB). It is designed to help parents learn how to be effective partners with the school, to decide the child's eligibility for special education, to plan, make decisions and to monitor the educational progress of their child.

Presented by the Federation for Children With Special Needs, Donna Murphy. Hosted by the Arlington and Winchester Special Education Parent Advisory Councils. All SEPAC meetings are free and open to the public.
For information about the SEPAC and to view our calendar of events, visit our website at: www.arlington.k12.ma.us/sepac.

Hardy Hoe Down – new date!

Friday, November 13th – Interested in helping plan this fun event, please contact Jacquie Burgess at jburgess@us.loreal.com. Please note that this is a new date!

Parent Forum

BULLYING AND CYBERBULLYING

For Parents of children, Grades 3-12

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Ottoson Middle School Cafetorium 7:00-9:00 PM

More than half of teenagers report having received hurtful online statements or threats and most times these incidents go unreported. Cyberbullying or repeated electronic based bullying via IM's on computers or via cell phones has become an increasing problem. This program will cover current issues of bullying, cyberbullying, preventative measures parents can take and options in the event that your child is being cyberbullied.

Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Englander, a nationally recognized expert on Cyberbullying is a professor of Psychology and the founder of the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center at Bridgewater State College. The Center delivers anti-violence and anti-bullying programs for the State of Massachusetts.

***"If you want the climate in school to change, you must change the climate in community."* Dr. Elizabeth Englander**

For info on more Parent Forums, see:
http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/news/paredforums2009-2010_redirect.asp

Community News

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.

Boxtops for Education

You Can Make a Difference for The Hardy School with Box Tops!

HOW? IT'S SO EASY!! COLLECT THOSE BOX TOPS!!!

Last week the Box Top Collection sheet "Batty for Box Tops" was sent home with every child. Simply clip and paste your box tops to the sheet and return it to your child's teacher or to the Box Tops mail box located in the Lobby outside the Nurse's Office by Friday, October 23rd.

Have more than 10 Box Tops? GREAT! Additional sheets are available on the wall in the Lobby outside the Office or just place your box tops in a plastic baggie – remember to include your child's name and teacher with them!

Still not motivated? How about this! **All students who turn in a collection sheet or baggie of box tops by Friday, October 23, 2009 will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Staples gift card!!!**

Let's start the year of right and work together to meet our Box Tops goal of \$850!

For more information on how you can help our school earn cash through Box Tops for Education visit btfe.com.

Please submit your collection sheets by Friday, October 23, 2009

Thank you, Sandy Jones

