

Happy Spring!

2010-11

April 6, 2011

From the Principal



I want to extend a huge thank you to Leslie Del Sesto and her committee for organizing another successful auction. We cleared over \$11,000.

Thank you to Jaime Chismark and Kristen Ferullo who have graciously offered to head the auction next year.

We plan to spruce up the inside of the school with new paint. Along with the new siding purchased with the proceeds from last year's auction the school will be fresh and inviting.

Thank you to everyone who contributed time or donations and to everyone who attended the auction to make this such a huge success.



Out of the Mouths of Babes

Someone wore a space shirt for Show & Tell. Ms. A. talked about people going to the moon. A child said, "My Mom goes to the *Blue Moon!*"

A child told me that her sister's birthday is Summer 2nd.

A girl asked me what my middle name was. I told her Lois. She thought about it and said, "Oh, so your Mrs. Gearty Lois Gearty?"

I asked a four year old what he wanted to be when he grew up, He answered, "Five!"

The kids were all set to go home sitting on a bench in the cubby area. They were talking to each other while waiting for the last girl to finish up, The girl turned around and said, "It's not nice to talk behind someone's back!"

Some children were talking about the Red Sox. Mrs. Willis told them that Mrs. Anderson likes the Yankees. She explained that she doesn't really follow baseball but liked to stir up trouble by saying she liked the Yankees. A boy said, "I like the Yankees!" She asked if he liked to stir up trouble too. He explained, "No I root for all the bad teams!"

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WIC CLOTHING DRIVE

We are having our annual clothing drive for children, newborns through age 5. New or gently used clothing can be dropped off here at the school until April 20th. This has always been a very successful drive and helps out the community tremendously.

MAKE UP SNOW DAYS

The only class that needs to make up snow days this year is the five day pre-k class. They missed 8 mornings so they will make up three of them. May 31st they will come for a longer day and go to the Children's Museum in Portsmouth to make up one day. Tuesday, June 7th was scheduled to be the last day for students. This will be a long day as well to make up the second day. They will also attend June 8th for the regular class time to make up the third day.

The Giving Tree

- Dress up clothes
- Sand toys for outside sandbox
- Playground balls
- Wet wipes



Special Events



Eagles class will go to Stop & Shop on April 11th.

Hummingbirds, Goldfinches and Owls will go on April 13th

Two day classes will be visiting the SPCA. Cardinals, Fireflies, Bluebirds and Raccoons will go on April 12th. Bear Cubs will go on May 24th .

The 5-Day Pre-K class is going bowling on April 13th.

Photo Play Images will be at school May 3rd and 4th to take individual and class pictures. Five- day classes will be taken on the 3rd and 4 -day classes will be taken on the 4th. If you would like to bring in siblings please call to set up an appointment.

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD (Apr 18– 22)

Mon and Tues wear school shirts or colors– white and blue

Facepainting by EDS parent Ginna Kourafas

Wednesday– Beach Day wear beachwear to school

Tues and Wed– ice cream treats for snack (courtesy of the Parents' Committee)

Thursday– Spring Celebration, wear Spring colors

Friday– school wide egg hunt, wear Spring colors

Children may bring a *labeled* container (basket, bucket, etc.) to collect eggs in or we will supply them with a paper bag.

NEED A PET SITTER?

Catherine Anderson, recent college graduate and daughter of Sue Anderson, is available to care for our pets while you are away. She will stay at our home with your pets, come over for walks and play time or just stop by for feeding time. Catherine has references and lots of experience, is certified in animal First Aid and CPR and is currently employed by the NHSPCA as a kennel technician, adoption counselor and shelter transfer coordinator. For more information you can reach Catherine at 778-2330 or talk to Sue Anderson at EDS.

Summer Camp



We still have openings in all sessions of summer camp. We have opened it up to three year olds who are toilet trained.

If you would like to sign up please call the school.

From the Parents' Committee

Staff Appreciation Day is Thursday April 14th... the staff will be treated to breakfast, lunch and duty coverage. They are all set with food and supplies but if you can donate some time for duty coverage please give Jess a call at 580-5043 or email at jessmorgado@comcast.net. There will be parents volunteers doing carpool drop off and playground duty, so please let your child know. Looking forward to making this a great day ... for a great staff!

A huge thank you for the room moms for putting together amazing class baskets for the auction... you all did an outstanding job and we appreciate your time and hard work.

From the Office



April 1st is the last tuition payment for most of you. If you are unsure please call the office.

For tax purposes our tax ID is 02-0244311

It is time to **register your children for public kindergarten** for the fall of 2011. When making your plans keep our kindergarten enrichment program in mind. If you are interested in using our program you can request morning kindergarten at the public schools.

Let us know if you are interested in carpooling. If we can set up a few carpools in various towns more children will be able to attend and it will be easier on everyone.

Mark Your Calendars

April



April 11– Stop & Shop– Eagles

April 12– SPCA, Cardinals and Fireflies, Raccoons and Bluebirds

April 13– Bowling, Pre-K Sunshines

Stop & Shop Hummingbirds, Goldfinches, & Owls

April 14– Staff Appreciation

April 18-22– Week of the Young Child

April 25-29– Spring Vacation

May



May 3rd and 4th—Photo Play Images Picture Days

May 10th—SPCA Bear Cubs

May 16- Babes on Stage Performance

May 16– Portsmouth Pediatric Dentist comes to school to talk to classes

May 19– Cooking ends

May 24– Science ends

May 24– SPCA Bear Cubs

May 30– Memorial Day– NO SCHOOL

May 31– Dover Children’s Museum– 5 day pre-k (Full Day)

June



June 2—Music Programs; 2 day and 4 day

June 6– Music Programs and last day for 3 and music program for 5 day

June 7—last day for 2 day (full day for 5 day)

June 8—last day for 5 –day

June 21– Summer Camp begins