



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

May 18, 2011



Celebrate the Snows on Sunday, June 5!

Jan Snow and Cathy Snow will be honored for their many years of teaching at BHCS at a Retirement Reception in the cafeteria on Sunday, June 5 from 3-5 PM. Bring your stories and your best wishes!

Playground Spruce UP!

*Thanks to everyone (organizers and workers) who helped with the playground spruce-up on Saturday! Many hands (and a tractor) did indeed get a lot of things done, or at least underway!

On the list of things accomplished are:

- *pruning many forsythia and crab apple trees
- *weeding/re-finding the butterfly garden
- *starting to reclaim the natural Maine garden outside Mrs. Snow's room
- *filling and leveling the sandboxes
- *firming up the steps to the K-2 slide
- *fixing the ramp to the storage shed
- *weeding and mulching the garden by Mrs. McKechnie's room
- *mulching bushes
- *re-seeding some bare areas
- *weedwacking
- *raking woodchips
- *enjoying Bianco sausages grilled by Foster, Mrs. Snow's famous cinnamon rolls, and goodies provided by other contributors and the PTF.

Of course, there is more that can be done... We will be posting a list that can be done as anyone has time.

5-2-1-0

Keep those fruits and veggies coming for

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snack! The two classes logging the most fruits and veggies eaten for snack by Friday, June 3 will receive a 5-2-1-0 water bottle or Frisbee.

Construction on Greene's Hill

Due to the work being done on Greene's Hill, the bus is getting to school very late. Starting tomorrow, Thursday, the bus will only travel UP the hill and then cut across the Mountain Road to come to school.

Yearbooks for 2011....Note the Change!

Please send in your Yearbook Order Forms to Loretta by May 20th. If you did not save the order form from last week's newsletter you can get one in the office. This year the yearbooks will be printed to order, so you **MUST ORDER IN ADVANCE** to ensure your child's copy. We are also still accepting advertisements for the yearbook. If you would like to congratulate your graduating 8th grader or promote your business with an advertisement, please call Kathy Soper at 374-2703. Thank You!

PTF News

*We got great news from Tradewinds last week -- that BHCS was the top collector of the Hannaford School Dollars coupons last fall, thanks to Jan Snow and all the other smart shoppers who earned coupons to benefit our school! The PTF was presented with a \$1000 check from Hannaford/Tradewinds on Friday. At Wednesday's PTF meeting, there was news of a check of some kind coming, and it was decided to use half of it to help pay for the new sports clock in the gym, and the other half for something to benefit everyone out on the playground. Stay tuned!

*Speaking of collecting things to benefit BHCS, the current General Mills Boxtops for Education classroom collection contest will end Friday, June 3. There will be an overall school winner,

as well as a runner-up in each wing. So clear out your stored up boxtops and help the school!

Sports Clock Raffle

The raffle earned \$1,300 to help pay for the new sports clock. We are drawing names each day and notifying the winners, and we will list all the winners at the end of the month in the newsletter. They are currently posted in the lobby.

Music Request

Mrs. Mean is looking for full sized keyboards to make a piano lab for next year. She already has 2 and needs 6 more to make it work. If you know of anyone who wants to "get rid" of a working keyboard with normal sized keys (not mini keys) please send them her way. Thanks!

Teacher Interview Committees

We will be interviewing candidates for next year's classroom teacher openings in 7th and 8th grades and in 3rd grade. One person is needed at the 7/8 level and one at the grade 3 level; we are looking for objective viewpoints following Board policy. It will most likely involve a few night meetings. If you are interested in serving on these committees, please let us know in the office by May 20.

Sports News

Coach Simmons wants to thank Jeff Scheff for all his help in preparing the ball field and for the use of his tractor.

The Pemetec game scheduled for May 26th has been changed to May 27th. The 7th grade students have a MLTI field trip/training on May 26th and will not return to school until 3:30 or 4, not enough time to get out to Pemetec. The online calendar has been adjusted.

The Peninsula Montessori School in Sedgwick, invites your family to an Open House on Wednesday, June 1 from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM. We are a preschool for 3 to 6 year olds and we offer morning and full day school programs. For more information please call 359-4614. Kathleen Burke, Executive Director.

Mighty Marvels Spring Soccer K-3

May 21-June 25, Blue Hill Consolidated School. Practice on Mondays 5:45-6:30 PM. Games on Saturdays (times and location will vary). We have joined the YMCA league for games. Transporting your child for away games is required. Official schedule to come. Shin Guards are REQUIRED. Cleats are recommended.

Cost: \$20. This will cover equipment, referees, T-shirt if needed. Please use T-shirt from the fall if you have one already. Please make checks payable to Katye Lacasse.

PRACTICE THIS SATURDAY 10-11AM AT BHCS. Any questions call Katye @ 266-5434

Junior League Baseball

On Saturday, May 21, at 2 PM there will be Junior League baseball try-outs held at the Blue Hill Athletic Field for 13 and 14 years olds. Contact Chip McKay @ 664-8891 for more information.

Upcoming Events:

May 30 (M)	Memorial Day – no school
June 5 (SU)	Retirement Reception for Jan Snow and Cathy Snow, 3-5 PM
June 7 (TU)	K-4 Spring Concert, 6:30 PM in the gym
June 9 (TH)	5-8 Spring Concert, 7 PM in the cafeteria
June 16 (TH)	Graduation, 7:00 PM
June 21 (TU)	Last Day of School