



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

December 15, 2011

How Did Our 6th Graders Do On Their Trip to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston? Read the feedback to Mrs. Lewandowski from the museum docents....

Dear Maryanne,

I just wanted to let you know how much my fellow gallery instructors and I enjoyed taking your students on today's Egypt tour. The students were enthusiastic, charming, and very knowledgeable--a delightful group! We hope that they had as much fun on the tour as we did.

Also, thank you for your work in arranging for the tour, and for putting out the effort to take the train all the way from Maine. And please convey our thanks to the chaperones for their help and participation.

Come back soon!

Sincerely,
Marian

Sports Study Hall Schedule for the weeks of 12/19-12/23 in Mrs. Davis's Room

12/19 2:45-3:30 PM
12/20 No study hall, Mrs. Davis will be out
12/21 2:45-3:30 PM
12/22 2:45-3:30 PM
12/23 No School

January schedule coming next week.

Come See the 8th Grade Plant Projects

Mrs. Davis invites any parents or community members to visit her classroom on Tuesday, December 21, 2011 from 12:50-1:50 PM. The students will be displaying their plant projects.

Dress Children Warmly for the Winter Weather

Please remind your children to dress in appropriate winter clothes each day. We do expect them to go out to recess for some fresh air and exercise each day unless it is extremely cold.

Please Arrive at School on Time

Students who arrive at school after 8 AM are considered tardy and will be recorded in our MEDMS records as such unless there is a note from a

parent with an acceptable excuse. According to school policy, a student who is tardy is not able to play in a sports event or participate in practices. The most important reason to arrive at school on time, however, is that learning time is lost and the student feels uncomfortable walking into class when the other students have already started their lessons.

Garden Club News

Today was our last garden club meeting until the middle of January. We harvested the last of the carrots from the garden and for snack made 2 kinds of dip to eat with them. We planted lettuce (red and green) in the greenhouse. We can't wait to see how they turn out. We made a present for our parents; it was a little tricky but we succeeded!! We can't tell you what it is because it's a surprise. FOR YOU!!!
~~From Keara Nevells

PTF News

The PTF is working to make everybody's holiday bright!

- **Bobcat spirit wear** is available for sale. Samples are on display in the library. Any orders received before Fri. Dec. 16th are guaranteed to be delivered before vacation. Beth Burke of Custom Cottons has been very helpful and accommodating!
- On Sat. Dec 17th from 10 AM-noon we will host the annual **Christmas Craft Making Workshop** for kids. This year we will be making wooden trucks, scarves, chocolate bar snowmen, earrings, ornaments and much much more. We will have snacks so that everybody can keep going until they've made something for everybody on their list. A big thank you to all the people who have volunteered to help make this day a success.
- The **Go Local DISCOUNT cards** are here!!!! As soon as you have orders, please send them in so we can get the cards back to you. Remember our goal is to sell 500 cards. We appreciate your help in spreading the word. Remember the card can be used over and over again at all the listed businesses for all of 2012 -- a great \$10 value.
- Thank you to all of you who have offered to help with the **Helping Hands Holiday Ham Dinners**. We still need donations. Please contact the following people if you can help -- K-2: Tera Gellerson (teraandtoddg@gmail.com; 664-3372); 3-5 Rena Flores (raffrizzy@msn.com, 214-2361); 6-8: Sharon Scheff (scheff6@gmail.com, 374-3584).
- Check the lobby for more copies of forms related to any of these things.

Della L. Martin, Principal • Loretta Smith, Secretary • Beth Jackson, Librarian • Matt Jurick, Technology Specialist

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Library News

Thanks to Nolan Dickens for donating a *Goosebumps* book to the library. The many R.L. Stine fans will be happy for a new title to read!

Surplus iMacs, Airports, and more

We have several surplus computers and airports from the last ten years. Some work and others may be good for parts. There will be a nominal price.

- 14 Blue iMacs circa 2001
- 13 AirPort Base Stations circa 2004
- 1 White eMac circa 2005
- Assorted student desks, chairs, and tables (check with Della Martin)
- 1 rolling cafeteria table

If you are interested in these relics, please contact Mr. Jurick at 374-2202, extension 143.

Classroom Geography Bees on Friday.

Students in grades 4-8 will have some fun with their classroom geography bees tomorrow, December 16th.

Spelling Bee Coming Up in January

Over the holidays, help your child in grades 5-8 study some spelling words so he or she can compete in the BHCS Spelling Bee that will take place in January. There is no Union #93 bee this year. Our best two spellers from the BHCS competition will go to the Hancock County Spelling Bee on January 31 in Ellsworth.

Community Education Classes at BMMH

1. Heart Saver CPR - Jan. 14th at 1:00 PM, Jan. 18th at 9:00 AM, Jan. 27th at 2:30 PM.
 2. Safe Sitters CPR for Babysitters - Jan. 14th at 4:30 PM.
 3. Basic First Aid - Jan. 18th at 12:00 PM, Jan. 27th at 11:00 AM, Jan 28th at 1:00 PM.
 4. Blood Borne Pathogens - Jan. 10th at 1:00 PM.
 5. Healthcare Provider - Jan. 7th at 1:00 PM, Jan. 28th at 3:00 PM.
- Call Sonia for information: 266-8378.

What are you doing on New Year's Eve?

Last Night! 2011 is Blue Hill's New Year's Eve celebration. Now in its seventh year, this year's program promises to be as eclectic and exciting as ever! The evening will feature non-stop entertainment at many locations throughout downtown Blue Hill and will be held "snow or stars"! Look for the **Last Night!** logo at each venue location.

From steel drums to folk, country to pop, jazz to blues to rock, there will be musical performances and dancing opportunities for everyone in the family. In addition, popular local humorists, poets, theater performers, and tarot card readers will enchant their audiences of all ages.

Best of all, the totally chem-free evening is *free of charge* as many of the Peninsula's talented artists donate their time to make this event an annual success.

Refreshments are also free! The Blue Hill Hearth will offer their delicious pizza, and hot chocolate and home baked treats will be available at the Blue Hill Fire Station throughout the evening.

Appearing in the Consolidated School Cafeteria will be Maine Weather, Atlantic Breeze and HOOT!

Look for the pink Last Night! program schedule in your subscription edition of the Packet, Advantages, or Patriot, or online at www.flashinthepans.org.

Last Night! Sponsored by Peninsula Pan, Inc., the administrative organization of Flash in the Pans Community Steelband.

Dates to Remember:

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| Thurs., Dec. 15 | Winter Concert - Gr. K-4, 6:30 PM |
| Fri., Dec. 16 | Classroom Geography Bees |
| Sat., Dec. 17 | Kids' Holiday Workshop, 10 AM-Noon |
| Mon., Dec. 19 | B Boys only @ Pemetic, 4 PM |
| Wed., Dec. 21 | A Coastal home game, MDI, 4 PM
A Peninsula @ Castine, 4 PM |
| Thurs., Dec. 22 | A Coastal home game, Trenton, 4 PM |
| Fri., Dec. 23 | First day of vacation |
| Mon., Jan. 2 | First day back in 2012! |