



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

October 18, 2012

### REMINDER: NO SCHOOL TOMORROW!

#### Thank you for attending conferences!

It has been a very busy week at BHCS. The parking lot has been full until late into the evening as teachers, students, and parents have met to discuss the students' progress made so far this year. A survey was passed out at these meetings in hopes of gathering information to give the staff and administration some idea of how you are perceiving our new programs and some of our existing programs. If you did not have a chance to fill out the pink survey form, please do so and return it to Mrs. Martin soon. Thanks.

#### BEEM UPDATE

\*\*This fall Blue Hill Educational Enrichment Monies has funded many exciting grants. We funded a teacher in-service presentation given by a guest speaker who presented the work of Ross Greene, the originator of the Collaborative Problem Solving (CPS) approach for student behaviors, as well as a Math Enrichment Program for the middle school. Patty Clapp was also awarded a grant to bring exciting Maine units to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students through the Penobscot Marine Museum. Congratulations to the Back to School Night grant winners: Lillie Maier who requested wireless microphones for the music and performing arts programs, Keira Stearns who requested clay for the Art Department, and Grayson Eaton who requested a turtle habitat for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade's pet turtle.

\*\*None of these grants would be possible without the generosity of our donors. Thank you for all that you have contributed to BEEM over the past 20 years.

~Samantha Politte, BEEM President

#### Library News

\*The book fair will be picked up Friday, but you can continue shopping online through Oct. 30 at <http://onlinebookfairs.scholastic.com/default.asp>

[x?f=3089654](http://x?f=3089654), or search "Scholastic Book Fairs Online." The books will be delivered to BHCS in early November for distribution. This is a great way to get a jump on your Christmas shopping and help the school at the same time! \*Island: Paintings by Tom Curry has been added to our library, thanks to a donation from the Brooklin artist.

#### Original Works Packets Coming Home!

Packets with a product guide, price list and a piece of school artwork are coming home this week. Orders can be placed using the school artwork, or other artwork from home. Artwork MUST be on 8 1/2 x 11 paper (please don't use copy paper; smaller works can be mounted on larger paper to create a border. The orders should be turned in by next Tuesday, Oct. 23, and the products should be delivered before Thanksgiving. It is a great way to create personalized gifts using your children's artwork, and to benefit the arts activities at school. Contact Penny Ricker or Beth Jackson with questions.

#### PTF News

\*Fliers are coming home today with details about the Playground Clean Up on Saturday, October 27 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Many hands make light work, and help get BHCS ready for winter.

\*Don't forget to reserve your table at the Holiday Craft Fair in the gym on Saturday, November 17 from 10 AM-2 PM. Tables are available for \$25 (6 ft.) and \$30 (8 ft.). Registration forms are available on the PTF link on the BHCS website, as well as in the library and from Melissa Emerton (479-2763).

\*The next PTF meeting is on Thursday, November 1 at 6:30 PM in the library.

#### From the Sports Desk...

##### **Coastal Team**

Our Coastal team has been invited to a soccer tournament with MDES, Trenton, Tremont, Bar Harbor, and Pemetic schools. Our team has been seeded second, based on the games we have played thus far. The location and assigned teams are posted on the calendar. It is a single elimination tournament, so we are in until we lose a game. We have home field advantage for the first game on 10/23 and will be playing MDES. The finals will be on October 24th with

October 26th as a rain date. The final games will be played at the Mount Desert High School. Our 7th grade players will be at Camp Kieve, but we were invited to this tournament with those predetermined dates.

### **Peninsula Team**

The Peninsula + 5th grade game scheduled for 10/23 with the Bay School has been changed to an AWAY game at the Bay School.

### **Soccer Clinic**

A good goal (pun intended) for soccer clinic players these last few weeks was to bring to school the gear they needed for practice. Players should remember cleats, socks, shin guards, mouth guards, water bottles, and a sporty outfit for each practice.

### **Sports Banquet**

We will have a Pot Luck Sports Banquet in the cafeteria at 5 PM on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. All cross-country runners, Coastal soccer players, and Peninsula soccer players, including the 5th grade Soccer Clinic players who participated in Peninsula games, AND their families are welcome. Please bring a dish to share.

### **Basketball**

Tryouts will be held in the gym for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade players on November 14<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup>. We are also planning to get a couple of practice days in before the Thanksgiving break. As the tryouts get closer, specific times will be posted.

### **ATTENTION Kindergarten – Fourth Graders!**

Parker Ridge Retirement Community invites you and your parents to come for a Trick or a Treat from 4:00 – 5:30 on Halloween night! We offer a safe place for young people to come and it is also a great way to bridge the gap between our young people and our elders. Please come through the main entrance at the end of the car port. The Residents and staff will be waiting to greet you and give you a treat and you will receive instructions as to what to do next. In years past, kids have visited our decorated living room as well as our assisted living area. In addition to this, there are a few cottages that will

be participating this year. All children must be accompanied by an adult. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Alma Mote, Activity Director – 374-5789.

### **RESULTS Basketball Clinics**

BOYS/GIRLS Grades 2 - 12

**Featuring:**

**Coach Mark Baxter**

Blue Hill at GSA

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Grades 2 – 5, 9AM - 1PM

Grades 5 – 8, 2PM – 6PM

Cost: \$30.00 per player (\$25.00 per player when registering 2 or more in a family)

T-Shirts available for \$10.00

Questions & Pre-Registration: Contact

[resultsbasketballclinics@yahoo.com](mailto:resultsbasketballclinics@yahoo.com)

or 207-462-5550.

### **"Christmas is for Kids"**

A benefit will be held November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Sedgwick School. Supper will start at 5:00 PM, music will follow featuring Wade Dow and Gary Mitchell. For those of you who haven't heard of this benefit, it is to buy warm clothing and winter wear for children in the area. It is a great event and helps out many, many families. If you can't go, but wish to make a donation, call Wade Dow at 359-2713.

**Looking for a twin mattress.** Contact Megan Granger if you have one to spare.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Fri., Oct. 19 No school  
Oct. 22-26 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Kieve  
Thurs., Oct. 25 Grade 3 to Abbe Museum  
Tues., Oct. 30 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to SEA Science Camp  
Thurs., Nov. 1 PTF Meeting, 6:30, library  
Sun. Nov. 4 Daylight Saving Time Ends – set your clocks BACK an hour.  
Mon., Nov. 12 Veterans Day Observed  
No school.  
Sat., Nov. 17 PTF Craft Fair