



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

**October 31, 2013**

### Bus Change Notice

Starting Monday, Nov. 4, Bus A will be picking up students 10 minutes earlier in the mornings, in order to reach school before the first bell.

### Picture Retakes – Friday, Nov. 15

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Halloween Fundraiser – TONIGHT

Dinner will be available from 5:00 - 8:00 PM, and includes macaroni and cheese, lasagna, hot dogs, salads, desserts, and drinks. This is a great way to get a meal for the kids before Trick-or-Treating. \$6/person; \$12/family of 4.

### Don't forget to turn in...

- \*\* your UNICEF boxes as soon as possible!
- \*\* order forms for Willy Claflin books by Monday.
- \*\* Original Works orders (we are sending in one late order on Monday, with hopes that the orders will be back by Christmas).

### 66 Supports 6<sup>th</sup> Grade!

**66 Steak & Seafood** will be donating a portion of each customer's bill on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class in a fundraising effort for their class trip. The event will run for the whole day (breakfast, lunch & dinner), so come on down to 66 and have a great meal for a great cause!

### Notes from the Band Room

Good Luck to the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz Band performing at Parker Ridge on Monday at 3:00 PM, and the 7<sup>th</sup> graders who perform at the District VI Honors Festival at the Jonesport/Beals High School this Saturday. And, put Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> on your calendar to hear all three BHCS jazz bands perform at 4:00 PM on our stage for Jazz Night. All the groups have been rehearsing once a week at 7:00 AM since school started and they sound great!  
~Mr. Schubeck

### Cheering Raffle Tickets

Tickets are due Friday morning, November 1st, so we can draw the winners sometime during the day! Also, we send out a BIG thank you to all the area businesses and community members who donated towards the raffle! Go Bobcats!

### PTF NEWS

\*\*There are still some "Helping Paws" up on the library windows if you did not get a chance to grab one during conferences. It is a great opportunity to support the teachers and supply some of the things that may be needed in your child's classroom.

\*\***Movie Night!** November 8. Start your long weekend off with a fun night out and join us in the BHCS cafeteria for Wreck It Ralph! Movie and popcorn are free. Pizza and baked goods will be available to purchase. We will start serving PIZZA at 5:30 PM and the movie will start at 6:00 PM. If you can contribute baked goods, please contact Sarah at 374-9294 or [sarahwjking@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahwjking@yahoo.com).

\*\*Mark your calendars for the **BHCS Craft Fair**, Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Over 30 vendors will be here. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping and support our school.

\*\*Here's a way to donate to the school without costing you a penny! This fall, the PTF will be undertaking a test run of the **Hannaford Shopping Card Program** in the K-2 wing. In this program, Hannaford allows schools to sell monthly, reloadable Hannaford shopping cards and donates 5% of the total amount of cards that are sold to that school. In essence, the school will receive money from Hannaford when you pre-load any portion of your monthly grocery shopping on a Hannaford card. Envelopes will be coming home with detailed instructions for students in grades K-2. We hope to expand the program incrementally to meet the needs of the whole school by spring. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sarah King at 374-9294 or Lesley Litwiller at 374-5709. Thank you for considering this program!

### **Library News**

\*\*Thanks to everyone who stopped by the Book Fair! Students have new books to read, classrooms have additions to their classroom libraries, and the library has new books and added funds to support literacy activities at BHCS. The online book fair is available until Nov. 5, through the "Book Fair" link at the top of the BHCS website. Books will be delivered to school.

\*\*Needed: Apple Macbook chargers. We have 4 laptops in the library that could be available for use and check out to classrooms -- if only they were charged up. We would welcome any spare Macbook chargers that might be floating around your house!

### **Public Library**

\*\*"Trick or Read!" on Halloween, TODAY! Kids in costume may stop in at the library anytime between 10 AM and 8 PM and choose a free book. Books for all ages will be available, from board books for babies to chapter books for the older kids.

\*\*International postcards are the subject of a new exhibit and a workshop at the Library in November. Five-year-old Eva Beal and her dad Tom Beal will exhibit their postcard collection in the Library's Larchwood case in the children's room **during November and December**. They have participated in an online postcard exchange program called "Postcrossing" for over a year and so far have both sent and received over 30 postcards from all over the world. The "Postcrossing" workshop will be at the Library on **Saturday November 9 at 10 AM**. The Library will supply postcards and receive addresses for participants to address their cards to and write any message they want. The Library will send the cards and once they are received, the Postcrossing organization will see that a postcard is sent back from somewhere in the world.

### **RESULTS Basketball with Mr. Baxter**

Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, at GSA. (9 AM-1 PM)  
Girls and boys in grades 3-8 may participate.  
\$30 per student and family discounts will be offered.

For information: [mbaxter@bhcs.org](mailto:mbaxter@bhcs.org)

### **PMAL News**

Registration for PMAL's after school program 'Arts Playhouse' for students in grades K – 3 announces four new workshops for the months of November and December.

At Arts Playhouse, students enjoy a very warm environment where they share a healthy snack, get their homework done, and enjoy the beautiful outdoors, including the occasional hike to Woods Pond! Each afternoon at 4:00 PM, students join in the scheduled enrichment workshops. Come on up the hill and check it out!

November and December Workshops:

Monday: Paper Art

Tuesday: Imaginative Play – Costumes and Character Development!

Wednesday: Science Experiments Galore and Marine Science as well!

Thursday: Creative Gift Making! 'tis the season!

### **UMaine Science Saturday:**

#### **Clues Written in Blood**

Middle school-aged youth are invited to spend the morning of Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the University of Maine in Orono with a professor of Veterinary Science. Participants will study animal blood samples under a microscope while Dr. Anne Lichtenwalner helps them find various clues about animals that are "written" in their blood. Veterinary science students will eat lunch with the young visitors (box lunch included for the \$12 fee) and there will be an optional campus tour. Gas cards or financial assistance may be available courtesy of the Maine Mathematics and Science Alliance's Reach Center. For more information, please contact Judy Mathewson at 460-7327 or Marcia Schatz at 266-5009, or visit <http://umaine.edu/4h/home/science-saturday/>. Membership in 4-H is not necessary to participate.

**The Simmering Pot**—A Community Created Supper, is closed November 11 for Veterans Day, reopens November 18. The Simmering Pot provides a free delicious meal Mondays, 2:30 to 6 PM, eat in or take out, at the First Congregational Church, Blue Hill. No charge, donations accepted. Information: 374-2891.

### **Christmas Angels Program**

The First Congregational Church of Blue Hill, provides clothing for children in need on Blue Hill Peninsula and Deer Isle/Stonington. For info on how you can help, contact Kim Williamson at peony13@me.com or 374-2092 by Dec. 1 if possible. To receive assistance from the program, call Wendy Ritger 374-2891 or bhcongo@yahoo.com, by December 3.

### **Dates to Remember**

Fri., Nov. 1	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Survival Day – cancelled, rescheduled to Nov. 6 6-8 Dance in Gym, 7 PM
Sat., Nov. 2	7th Grade Band to Honors Festival
Sun., Nov. 3	Daylight Saving Time, turn clocks BACK an hour
Mon., Nov. 4	8th Grade Jazzband plays at Parker Ridge
Tues., Nov. 5	Election Day
Wed., Nov. 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Gr. To Abbe Museum, Bar Harbor
Fri., Nov. 8	6 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Survival Day 4 <sup>th</sup> Gr. To Abbe Museum, Bar Harbor MOVIE NIGHT, <b><i>Wreck It Ralph</i></b>
Mon., Nov. 11	Veterans' Day, NO SCHOOL
Wed., Nov 13	School Board, 5 PM
Thurs., Nov. 14	PTF Mtg., 2:45 PM
Fri., Nov. 15	Picture Retakes
Thurs., Nov. 21	Jazz Night with 6th, 7th, and 8th Jazzbands, 4 PM
Sat., Nov. 23	PTF Craft Fair, BHCS Gym
Nov. 27-29	THANKSGIVING BREAK, last student day is Tues., Nov. 26
Every Friday	Bobcat Spirit Day!

### **Attachment**

### **Menus**