



# EXPLORATIONS

## Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

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### Happy New Year!

(Yes, it will be happy... despite the floods, ice, snow, leaks, wind chills, and treacherous roads and driveways! Keep smiling!)

### Geography Bee 2014

#### **Congratulations, Elana Williamson!!**

There was a lot of enthusiasm at the geography bee yesterday. This year the school winner was 7<sup>th</sup> grader Elana Williamson, with Quinn Stabler (also grade 6) coming in at a close second place. Cameron Stewart in grade 6 was the third place winner. The students in grades 4-8 who participated after their successes in their classroom bees were Colby Lacasse, Jaden Lewis, Cole Stewart, Quinn Stabler, Elana Williamson, Payson Allen, Evan Chapman, Michaela White, Erika Hipsky, and Kara Morrison. Congratulations to all!

### BHCS Chess Team News

**First Tournament Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, Ellsworth Middle School from 3:30 to 5:00 PM.**

Thanks to funding from BEEM, the Chess Team will be going forward with local tournaments. The first tournament for the Chess Team will be on Tuesday, January 14, from 3:30 - 5:00 at the Ellsworth Middle School. There will be a bus for this event. And, thank you Dawn and Gordon Stewart, Mrs. Lewandowski, and Coach Cameron Wendell for the efforts you make to allow a bright future for chess at BHCS.

### Morning Delays

When there is a two-hour delay, there is NO school breakfast. Children should eat before they arrive.

### Conferences Are Next Week

Please be sure to sign up for a conference with your child's teacher for next week. This is near the mid-term, so it's a good chance to see your child's progress so far this trimester.

### Specialists' Office Hours

#### For the Week of January 13-16

#### **Bob McCormick, PE**

Monday	3-6 PM
Tuesday	3-6 PM
Wednesday	3-5 PM

#### **Audrey Means, Music**

Monday	2:45-4:45 PM
Wednesday	2:45-5:15 PM
Thursday	2:45-4:45 PM

#### **Penny Ricker, Art**

Monday	3-4 PM
Tuesday	3-6 PM
Wednesday	3-6 PM

#### **Sara Brown, Spanish, and Beth Jackson, Library**

Mon-Thurs 3 to 5 PM, or by appointment

#### **Megan Granger, School Counselor**

Megan Granger is happy to join parent teacher conferences if invited by teachers or parents. She is also happy to schedule separate appointments with parents throughout the conference week, or at any time during the school year, as requested.

### PTF News

Welcome back! The PTF is buzzing with activity this month.

**Hannaford card orders and reloads** are due by 2:30 PM on Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Return them to Loretta at the office. So far we have earned over \$300 with this program. A huge thank you to Lesley Litwiller and Sarah King for getting this up and running at the school.

The Monsters are coming! Join us Friday, January 10 for **Movie Night** in the BHCS cafeteria. We will be showing **Monsters University**. Pizza is available to purchase for dinner at 5:30 PM and the free movie and popcorn start at 6:00 PM. If anybody can donate baked goods for the snack table, please let Sarah King know at 374-9294 or email her at sarahwjking@outlook.com.

Finally, winter clubs have started this week. There are over 40 students learning new skills and exploring activities. Thanks to all the parent and teacher volunteers who have given of their time and talents. There is still space available in the calligraphy class if you are interested. Please contact Tracy Gandy at [ptf@bhcs.org](mailto:ptf@bhcs.org).

***Pee Wee Basketball Time Change***

Pee Wee Basketball for grades 1-4 will be held Saturday at the BHCS gym, from **9:30 to 11:00 AM**. For information call Denny Rackliffe at 374-2297.

***Dates to Remember***

Fri., Jan. 10	Dance at Brooklin School, 6-9 PM, grades 6-8, \$5.00 admission PTF Movie Night
Jan. 13-17	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
Thurs., Jan. 16	School Spelling Bee, 8 AM
Fri., Jan 17	Teacher In-Service, No school
Mon., Jan. 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, no school
Wed., Feb. 26	District Jazz Fest, Orrington, afternoon and evening
Sat., March 22	State Jazz Fest, Westbrook, all day
Every Friday	Bobcat Spirit Day!

Attachments