



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

June 5, 2014

Wonderful Concerts This Week

Thanks to the efforts of our music teachers, Mrs. Means and Mr. Schubeck, our spring concerts were, again this year, spectacular! Thank you, students, for all the hard work, and thank you, parents, for supporting our music program.

K-4 Junior Chess Club

We are considering adding a K-4 Junior Chess Club next year. The K-4 Junior Chess Club would meet once a week, after school. The club will be a non-competitive, fun introduction to chess that will also be open to any adults (parents and teachers) who are interested in learning more about the game. We are in need of a parent/community member volunteer to help coordinate this effort. Please contact the office if you are interested in leading this effort or helping.

Library

All library books are due tomorrow, Friday, June 6. However, each summer we offer the option for families to check out a selection of books for over the summer. If you would like to borrow some books for summer reading, you can stop by the library to sign the form and check some out.

***Pat Horton will talk with students next Tuesday during lunch about the busy summer reading program at the Blue Hill Public Library.

PTF News

The final countdown has begun! Before we all head out for summer break, please take a moment to check for any Box Tops or Labels for Education that you may have around the house. The second classroom collection contest ends Friday, June 18, so we can send in a final submission. You can also keep clipping over the summer so we start the year out with a bang. ***A few people have stepped up to help with the retirement gala but there is always room for a few extra hands. Feel free to let us know if

you want to help or just join in the fun of scooping ice cream next Thursday.

***The last scheduled PTF meeting for the year has been cancelled due to all of the end of the year events. Please feel free to contact us at ptf@bhcs.org if you have any comments or concerns for the next year. There are a few events that kick off fairly quickly in September so there will be plenty of opportunities to get involved.

Exciting Summer News!

This year we are offering 3 one-week sessions of Leaping Literacy Summer Camp at the Blue Hill Public Library! The three weeks will be July 21 – 25, July 28 – August 1, and August 4-8, and based on three themes -- Super Heroes: Real and Imagined, The Water of Maine (with Rebekah Raye and local scientists visiting!) and Reach for the Sky! Registration forms will be available on Monday at the office. Sign up for one week or all three, with space allowing. The program will run from 9 AM – Noon. This program is free of charge and is designed to inspire your children to see literacy as FUN and to help them keep up their school skills over the summer. For info, call Rachel Kohrman Ramos at 374-9927.

T Ball

Saturday morning at 10am - BHCS fields
Any question call Nichole Bebout 664-4789

“Out and About with PMAL”

Three trips are currently scheduled this summer.

*****Trip #1:** *Rock climbing at the Bubbles in Acadia National Park* PMAL has contracted with the Atlantic Climbing School of Bar Harbor to lead this 4-hour climbing adventure. Space is limited to 8 students.

Date: Wed., June 25th Time: 7 AM – 4 PM
Ages: 10 -14 Cost: \$95.00

*****Trip #2:** *Biking Adventure on the Carriage Road system of Acadia National Park* - PMAL will lead this biking adventure with the course level being determined by the experience level of the registered students. Students must provide

their own gear-shifting bikes and helmets. Acadia has several adventures to choose from ranging from very difficult to easy. There are many hidden treasures to discover in the wilderness of Acadia from waterfalls to bridges... Space is limited to 8 students.
 Date: Tues., July 22nd Time: 8AM – 4PM
 Ages: 10 – 14 Cost: \$65.00
*****Trip #3: Hiking Adventure in Acadia National Park** - PMAL will lead this hiking adventure with the course level being determined by the experience level of the registered students. Discovering Acadia on foot is one of our personal favorites. This truly is one of the most amazing ways to spend a summer day on the coast of Maine. Space is limited to 8 students.
 Date: Thursday, July 24th Time: AM – 4 PM
 Ages: 9 – 12 Cost: \$65.00
 These days will begin early at the PMAL center in Blue Hill. Transportation to Acadia National Park will be provided by us. After the scheduled adventure in the morning, we will enjoy lunch and swimming for a couple of hours at Echo Lake, returning to Blue Hill by 4:00 PM. Registration and questions: 374-5255 or E-Mail: chris@pmaalcenter.com.

Coach Bill Case's Girls' Basketball Camps

Summer 2014
 Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11
 Grades 5-8 9 AM - Noon
 Grades 9-12 1 PM - 4 PM
 GSA Gymnasium
 COST - \$100 per student for the week

Marijuana and Teens: What Parents Need to Know

Barbara Peppy, Director of Healthy Peninsula, and Denise Black, Project Coordinator for Healthy Acadia's Drug Free Communities Initiative, will facilitate a slide presentation titled *Marijuana: Impact on the Brain, the Body, the Future*, followed by an informal discussion and sharing of local resources. This presentation is geared toward parents, educators, health providers, and any concerned community members, and will be held at the Blue Hill Public Library on Monday, June 9th.

For more information, contact Jill Day at Healthy Peninsula 374-3257 or jday@healthypeninsula.org, from 5:30-6:30 PM.

Dates to Remember

Wed., June 11	Gr. 3 to Bangor Discovery Museum, School Board, 5 PM
Thurs., June 12	Retirement Party, 7-9 PM
Fri., June 13	Gr. 7 to Great Skates
Mon., June 16	Gr. 6 to Challenger Gr. 4 to Acadia, 8-1 Gr. 1 & 2 to Holbrook Island, 9-2
Tues., June 17	Graduation, 7 PM
Wed., June 18	Gr. 4 to Jonathan Fisher House and Curtis Cove K to Curtis Cove, 10-1
Thurs., June 19	Student Step-Up, 8-9 Gr. 5 to Fort Knox, 9-2:30
Fri., June 20	Last day of school
Every Friday	Bobcat Day
Attachments	Leaping Literacy



THANK YOU AND FAREWELL - SPECTACULAR BHCS RETIREES

Thursday, June 12, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
 BLUE HILL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
 60 High St
 Blue Hill, ME 04614

Let's celebrate in style... the retirements of
Beth Jackson,
Maryanne Lewandowski,
and Julie O'Neill
 ... and say "THANK YOU" for their years
 of dedication and the great contributions they have made to our school!

Jazz Band, PAN Dance, Ice Cream Social, and Fireworks!

Note: If rainy, the party will be in the BHCS gym (no fireworks!), and if too dry, we will host at the Town Park and fireworks will be over the water!