



EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

60 High Street • Blue Hill, Maine 04614

November 13, 2014

Lost And Found Bins Are Overflowing!

Please check out the items in the lost and found bins in each wing for your child's clothing. There are some really valuable items there, and I am sure they need to be returned to their owners. Also, remember to label your child's clothing, if possible. ***The bins are emptied and clothes are taken to the Tree of Life over the December break.***

Read-A-Thon for School Safety Update

Don't forget to encourage your child to take part in the reading fundraiser to purchase a new mass notification system for the school. In the time being, you can get alerts from other sources. **WABI, WLBS, and the Bangor Daily News Online are a few of the sources that can alert you to school closings. If you sign up on their website and give them your number or email address they will send you a notification.**

Food Drive Delivery on November 18

We only have one more week! Please send in some donations of non-perishable food with you child. This is going to be another harsh winter, so the donations are very much needed. Many thanks from BHCS and from the Tree of Life Food Pantry.

Jazz Band Dates to Note!

**Monday, November 17, the Eights Jazz Band will play at Parker Ridge at 3:00 PM.
**Jazz Night, Thursday, November 20 at 4:00 PM. Please join the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade jazz bands at our annual kick off to the *Jazz Season*. The bands will rehearse after school and then will perform for the public at 4:00. The event will be a fundraiser for the ongoing band room renovation project. A donation jar will be at the door and food will be available for purchase. We would love to see you at this fun event. If you have questions about the concert, please ask Mr. Schubeck, and if you have

questions about the fundraiser, please ask Dawn Stewart (348-9980).

PTF News

This is such a busy and exciting time for the PTF as we start up many of our winter projects. Join us at the PTF meeting today, November 13, after school to find out more about all these opportunities. Childcare is provided and everyone is welcome.

Friday, November 14 is our first Family Movie Night of the year! We will be showing **The Lego Movie. This is a fun way to spend your Friday night as a family outing. Pizza is available for sale at 5:30. The free movie and popcorn start at 6:00. Contact Sarah King, sarahwjking@outlook.com, with any questions.

**Saturday, November 22 is our Holiday Craft Fair in the BHCS gym. You have probably seen the signs popping up around town announcing this great event! Stop by from 9 - 2 to take care of some of your holiday shopping. There will be craft vendors, live music, treats and a festive spirit.

The PTF will be gathering **turkey dinners for some local families. We traditionally gather all the food and goodies to provide meals for 6-10 local families. More information will be sent out via the PTF e-mail distribution list. Please contact Tracy Gandy at tgandy@bhcs.org if you have any questions.

December is right around the corner and Miss Nelson is starting to plan for the **Holiday Craft Workshop for Kids on Saturday, December 13 from 10 AM to 12 noon. Come join us for a fun-filled morning! Wonderful people will be on hand to help children with crafts to give as gifts or to use as decorations for the holidays. Earrings, candles, and ornaments are a few of the crafts to be offered. There will be a giftwrapping station so the gifts can be a surprise. Attached is a form to fill out if you would like to donate items or share a special skill.

Della L. Martin, Principal

Library News

Now that we have settled into our normal checkout routine in the library, overdue notices may start coming home with your students. These are just a reminder of what items a student has checked out and that need to be returned to the library. Students in grades K-1 have their books for two weeks and students in grades 3-8 have them for three weeks. There is no charge for overdue books, but no new books can be checked out until the overdue book is returned. If you have any questions or concerns about the library, please feel free to stop by or contact me at tgandy@bhcs.org.
Thank you, Mrs. Gandy

Pie Making at the First Congregational Church of Blue Hill!

Saturday, November 15. Middle School Youth Group Pie Making for the Tree of Life/Food Pantry's Thanksgiving boxes will happen from 9 to 11:30 PM. There will be a pizza lunch from 11:30-12. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun and help a good cause! For more information you can contact Jenny Talbert, jennytalbert@gmail.com, 207-664-4979, or Wendy Ritger, 374-2891.

Christmas Angels

The Christmas Angels Program provides gifts of warm clothing to children in need living on the Blue Hill Peninsula and in Deer Isle/Stonington. To learn how you can help the program, contact Kim Williamson by December 1st at 374-2092 or at peony13@me.com. To receive assistance from the program, contact Wendy Ritger, bhcongo@yahoo.com, 374-2891.

Dates to Remember

Fri., Nov. 14	PTF Movie Night, LEGO Movie, 5:30 pizza, 6:00 movie
Tues., Nov. 18	Tree of Life food drive delivery
Thurs., Nov. 20	Jazz Night, 4 PM
Fri., Nov. 21	Grades 7/8 to Alamo
Sat., Nov. 22	PTF Craft Fair
Tues., Nov. 25	End of Trimester 1
Nov. 26-28	Thanksgiving Break
Tues., Dec. 2	Grade 4, Abbe Museum
Thurs., Dec. 4	Grade 6 to Boston
Sat., Dec. 14	Grade 2 to Grand, Nutcracker
Mon., Dec. 15	5-8 Winter Concert, 7 PM
Tues., Dec. 16	K-4 Winter Concert, 6:30 PM

Attachments:

Important Health Notices from the School Nurse
Holiday Craft Workshop
Pancakes With Santa Flyer