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EXPLORATIONS

Blue Hill Consolidated School

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February 26, 2015

BHCS Jazz Bands to Perform!

The BHCS jazz bands will perform for the public on Monday, March 2 at 4:00 in the cafeteria. These two bands have worked hard to prepare for the upcoming District VI Jazz Festival to be held in Orrington on March 4. If the bands qualify, they will play at the State Middle School Jazz Festival on Saturday, March 21.

Jazz standards such as *Autumn Leaves*, *The Look of Love*, *Birdland*, *All Blues* and *Take the* "A" *Train* will be performed. Refreshments will be available at the show. We hope you can attend and show support for the BHCS musicians!

8th Grade Fundraiser

It's Pizza! Pizza! Time for you, your friends, and your family to stock up with **Little Caesars Pizza Kits**. Have them on hand for quick dinners, parties or entertaining. They're fun to make and delicious to eat. We need your support, as the proceeds from the sale will go toward the 8th grade class trip!

The sale starts on March 2 and ends on March 20. Kits will be delivered on April 3. Eighth graders will have order forms, and additional order forms will be posted in the BHCS lobby and library.

Please contact Chris Billings at 374-1032 or Melissa Emerton at 479-2763 with questions.

PTF Potluck and Music Dept. Variety Show

The PTF Potluck and Music Department Variety Show will be on Friday, March 6. Potluck starts at 5:30 and Variety Show at 6:00. See Mrs. Means or Mr. Schubeck for an official application sheet if you want to perform on stage!

If you have any questions or would like to visit a music class, please feel free to contact me at school (374-2202 x115).

~~Mrs. Means

Library News

March 3 we will be celebrating **Dr. Seuss Day** in the library. Traditionally the cafeteria has made some amazing treats and "Seussed Up" the menu for the day. There will also be an opportunity for students to stop by the library and pick up a brand new book to keep. Students are encouraged to wear crazy socks in honor of the book *Fox in Socks*. In the attached flier there is a sock that you and your child can decorate with images from his/her favorite book.

Author Day and the Maine Student Book Award celebration are right around the corner. This year, Tamra Wight will be visiting BHCS in honor of her book Mystery on Pine Lake being nominated for the Maine Student Book Award. On March 18, there will be a fun author day for students in grades K-3. The following day, students throughout School Union 93 in grades 4-5 will gather for MSBA activities. These amazing events are a great chance for our students to meet authors and learn more about the writing process. If you would like to volunteer to help, we will need people to lead activities. Contact Tracy Gandy at tgandy@bhcs.org to join in on the fun.

PTF News

The PTF is sponsoring two great family nights in March.

March 13 is **B.E.A.R. Night!** Be Enthusiastic About Reading and come by the BHCS library any time between 6:00 - 7:30. This event is an open house where families can drop by and find cozy places to read in the library. Bring your favorite story time snack to share and don't forget to wear your PJ's.

March 20 will be the last Movie Night of the year (That means spring is right around the corner!) - We will be showing *The Mighty Ducks*. Pizza at 5:30, movie at 6:00.

Due to popular demand, the PTF has ordered some extra Bobcat t-shirts. They should be here next week. Cost is \$10 and there is a limited amount in each size. Contact Sarah King if you have any questions.

Dates to Remember

Fri., February 27	Middle School Dance,
	6:00 – 9:00, BHCS Gym
Mon., March 2	Jazz Band Performance,
	4:00, Cafeteria
Tue., March 3	Dr. Seuss Day
Wed., March 4	District VI Jazz Festival,
	Orrington
Fri., March 6	Variety Show & Potluck,
	5:30 Potluck, 6:00 Show
Fri., March 13	B.E.A.R. Night, 6:00 - 7:30,
	Library
Fri., March 20	Movie Night, Meet the
	Robinsons, 5:30 Pizza, 6:00
	Movie, Cafeteria
Sat., March 21	State Middle School

Jazz Festival

Attachments

March Menu Dr. Seuss Day Flier



PMAL News

PMAL announces four new workshops for March and April! Registration is open for peninsula students in grades K -5. Also, next week PMAL's *Club House* will be returning for 4th and 5th grade students. Come on up the hill and enjoy after school enrichment, homework help, and the beautiful grounds surrounding the PMAL Center. Register at chris@pmalcenter.com or give us a call! 374-5255.

Preview of March and April 2015 Workshops:

Monday: Sea Creatures

Come explore the world beneath the waves with us! We will be exploring the habitats and ecosystems of both real and imagined sea creatures.

Tuesday: Imagine Magic

Tricks, myths, and magical imagination.

Wednesday: Cardboard Engineering

What can you make with a cardboard box? Come and find out!

Thursday: Make Your Own Stuffed Animal

Really! No experience required!

Paper Airplane Workshop Series at the Blue Hill Public Library

Ages 9-13, Saturdays, March 14, 21, and 28 from 10:30 to noon.

John Brooks from Brooklin will share his love of paper airplanes and paper mechanics during this special series.

Paper planes are a fun way to encourage learning, they are relatively easy and inexpensive to make, yet at the same time they can be surprisingly sophisticated. The same forces and principles acting on a jetliner, act on a paper airplane. We want to help students understand how planes fly and to introduce them to the process of designing things. We will help students to design a plane, build it, learn to fly it, and then evaluate the design against other student aircraft and flying models of modern aircraft.

This program is free but there is limited space, so registration is required. Call the library at 374-5515 or visit our events calendar at www.bhpl.net to make a reservation.

The Downeast Audubon Society

Looking for volunteers to take children (grades 3-5) out to various land trust properties on field trips for programs in migration, vernal pools, and geology. Teaching materials and training will be provided for interested volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Nell Herrmann (nherrmann@bhcs.org).