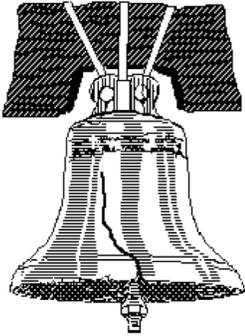


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June Calendar

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Pride of Liberty
Bell Celebration
- ◆ June 2nd - 1st Grade
Field Trip - Lehigh
Valley Zoo
- ◆ June 2nd - Inside
Scoop Night - 6:00
P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
- ◆ June 6th - KDG
Music Program
- ◆ June 6th - A.M.
KDG's LAST DAY!
- ◆ June 7th - SPIRIT
DAY! Wear your
favorite Hawaiian
and/or summer
apparel!
- ◆ June 7th - LAST DAY
of SCHOOL!
- ◆ June 7th - NO A.M.
KDG, P.M. KDG
ONLY IN
ATTENDANCE!
- ◆ June 7th - EARLY
DISMISSAL - NO
LUNCH! 12:15 P.M.

Principal's News

Dear Liberty Bell Families,

Can you believe it? Yes, it's true! Another school year is just about in the books! It seems like Open House and Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences were just a few months ago, yet here we are getting ready to embark on another summer vacation. We all hope you had a wonderful and enjoyable school year. But before we let you go for the summer, please be sure to mark down a couple important dates for the rest of this year as well as next school year:

- A.M. KDG's LAST DAY is Monday, June 6th.
- Tuesday, June 7th - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! 12:15 P.M. Dismissal-NO LUNCH! P.M. KDG attends!
- August 29th, is the first day of school for students (YES, AUGUST!)
- April 3rd - 28th, 2017 - 3rd Grade PSSA Testing window for English/Language Arts and Mathematics

NOTE: Please remember to avoid scheduling vacations during these state testing dates because they will not be counted as excused.

Also as the summer days approach, please consider what activities you can do with your children over the summer so that they are not watching too much television or spending too much time in front of the computer or Wii. There are many places for you and your children that are free or very inexpensive to visit. Please consider your public library for it tends to offer many free/inexpensive programs over the summer. Another idea is to frequent any of our local borough and state parks, both of which are free to visit. Keep your eyes peeled to the local news and newspapers as they often advertise free/inexpensive fun and educational activities for our children during the summer months. If at the very least, make sure you

and your child are reading every day, both independently as well as together. We want our young minds sharpened and ready to go come late August!

Here is one of the programs our district offers at a low cost:

- **Camp Invention-CREATIVE KIDS WANTED!** Camp Invention® at Hopewell Elementary School: This year's curriculum includes: Crikobots, Epic Park, I Can Invent: Maker Studio, and The Lab: Where Pigs Fly. You will find lots more fun activities to do at Camp Invention. Camp will be held July 11th - 15th, from 9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. for girls and boys entering grades 2nd - 6th. For more information, go to www.campinvention.org, or call 800-968-4332.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to say good-bye to one of the pillars of Liberty Bell Elementary School. Our beloved Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Horvath, is retiring after 24 years here at Liberty Bell! Please take a moment next time you are in the building to wish Mrs. Horvath a happy retirement. We wish Mrs. Horvath the best of luck as she heads into retirement and know there will always be a little of her that remains here at Liberty Bell Elementary!

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Liberty Bell, I would like to wish you a summer filled with long sun-filled days enjoying family and friends. Enjoy the last few days of school and we will see you in August!

Samuel G. Hafner
Principal

News from the PTA

June Newsletter

A Big Thank You!

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- Teacher Appreciation week couldn't happen without all the volunteers that brought in food, donated items, donated time decorating or cleaning up. It's to show how amazing our teachers and staff really are and to spoil them for the week. Thank you to Melinda Behrens and Lynn Somers, you did a great job!!
- During this same week two more things were taking place, a 3rd grade spelling Bee and the winners were Alexis Hoyer, London Lutz, and Ayden Pham...congratulations and great job. Thank you to Anne Venturelli for bringing this to Liberty Bell!
- The next day we had our Passport to the World with 13 participating countries, Thank you to all the parents who dedicated their day to give a little culture to the students. Thank you to Angela Ast who took the time to write a grant about our school and the cultural and diversity it has, because of this letter she won the grant from the Pennsylvania PTA and she was honored at their Conference in April. That grant allowed us to get some really cool maps, prizes, and globe giveaway's...Way to go Angela!!
- What can we say about Spring Fest? It was fantastic, the donations were amazing and Corrie Hagans did a great job putting all 50 raffles together! Thank you to Becki Gippe for handling all the pre-sale wrist bands, it helps to keep that line down. Thank you Ruth Poole for taking on the craft in our outdoor classroom area, kids loved the bird feeders & their planters. Most importantly to our 17 staff members that volunteer their Friday night away from their families to help out with our Liberty Bell Family, they are truly amazing people! Also to Melinda Behrens and Bethany Lerch that spent months preparing for a 2-hour event, great job ladies.
- The Volunteer Breakfast that the staff had for all the volunteers was a really nice showing of appreciation, the food was great and so was the company. We got to have some small talk with the teachers and staff.
- As we say good-bye to 2015-2016 school year, the PTA wants to say Thank You to everyone who volunteered and took time out of the busy lives to help our children have lasting memories. We could NOT have had such a successful year without the help of our Liberty Bell families! You are all appreciated!
- Thank you to this year's PTA board members for your dedication - Angela Ast, Melinda Behrens, Kyle Gangewere and Katherine Sarnoski.

June Calendar

- Inside Scoop Spirit Night Thurs. June 2nd - 6 - 9 PM
 - Come celebrate the end of the school year and check out WHO is behind the counter scooping?? A portion of the night's sales will be donated to the PTA.

Have a Great Summer!
Keep Reading!