# Hopewell Happenings



# March 2017

PTA President's Message

## A Monthly Note From PTA:

<u>Monthly SHOUT OUT</u>: Thank you April Hausman and Thinzar Kyi for organizing and distributing our annual flowers a gram. The teachers and staff enjoyed this Valentine's Day gift.

The 'Me and My Hero' dance was a huge success- Thank you Jennifer Hedden and Melissa Mofatt for making this happen.

## HELP WANTED

• Volunteers for 'Passport Around The World' during school hours in April (Date TBD) Looking for parents with knowledge or family history of an international background to represent your country or state. Stay tuned for date and more information. Want to join this committee? We need your help.... Contact: Carla Stock <u>carlastock10@yahoo.com</u>

- Volunteers for the Spring Festival. If you are interested please contact Tara Moyer moyermom5@gmail.com
- A PTA treasurer and secretary for Fall 2017-2019. Nominations by our May PTA meeting. Contact: Carla Stock for more information <u>carlastock10@yahoo.com</u>

Until next month, Carla Stock -PTA President carlastock10@yahoo.com



#### Message from PTA Vice President, Dawn Resch:

- Hopewell's Family Fun Night Out at Bethlehem Skateaway: Thursday, March 9th, 5:30-7:30 PM. The PTA has sponsored the private rental of this facility for Hopewell families, teachers, and staff. This is a CASH ONLY FACILITY; it is \$2.00 to rent skates. Please wear your Hopewell blue to show your school spirit. Contact Christina Wasem <u>christina@wasemfamily.com</u> if you have any questions.



- The Dance for Education will be held on Friday, March 31. This will not be a fundraiser this year, but just a fun event for the students, teachers, and parents to participate in. If you have your clearances, please save the date if you would like to come in and dance with your child for 40 minutes straight! The children are to dress in Hopewell Blue and wear Rock Star Hair on this day. Please contact <u>dawnresch@yahoo.com</u> if you have any questions.

#### The Schedule for the Dance for Education:

K-AM and 1st grade: 10:25-11:05 AM

K-PM, Mrs. Hovis' class, and 2nd grade: 1:40-2:20 PM

3rd grade: 2:25-3:05 PM



#### A message from the Principal...

Dear Hopewell Families:

Welcome to the month of March! Here's the "happenings" we have planned for this month...

**Thursday, March 2nd** is National Read Across America Day and the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Students will be celebrating Dr. Seuss and his contributions. We will have some special friends visit with us that morning from Southern Lehigh Middle School. It's always nice when former students come back and visit.

**PSSA testing** will occur for all Hopewell third graders during the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup> (English Language Arts) and the week of April 24<sup>th</sup> (Math). Please mark these very important dates on your calendar and avoid scheduling appointments or being absent from school during these times. All third grade students will be participating in the statewide English Language Arts and Math Assessment. The purpose behind our students taking the PSSA assessments is to identify instructional priorities and guide instructional decision-making. Please encourage your third grader to do their best, read each test question completely (there are often multiple parts to questions), and check each answer.

**Kindergarten registration reminder**: <u>ALL</u> Southern Lehigh kindergarten registrations will be held at Liberty Bell Elementary School during the week of April 3, 2017, for the 2017-2018 school years.

Beginning March 1, 2017, appointments may be made electronically on our website homepage "Quick Links" under kindergarten registration.

Please share this information with any parent who will have a child entering kindergarten next year. To register, children need to by five years old before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. More information about kindergarten registration and required forms are available on our website.

Lori Limpar

Hopewell Principal



#### March Dates to Remember:

Dr. Seuss Birthday Activities 2/27 and 3/2

2/27: Each classroom will drop everything and read for 20 minutes

3/2: Student only assembly to read "Sneeches" to students. This book promotes diversity. A group of Middle School students along with some staff, will act out the story.

3/1: PTA meeting @ 9:30 AM in Hopewell cafeteria

3/1: On-line Kindergarten registration begins. Register through the link on the slsd.org website. Face to face appointments will occur the week of April 3rd at Liberty Bell School.

3/9: Family Fun Night @ Bethlehem Skateaway from 5:30PM-7:30PM

Please wear Hopewell Blue. Please contact christina@wasemfamily.com

#### 3/10: Teacher in service, <u>No School!</u>

3/14: Student Assembly with **Brian Chevalier**. Mr. Chevalier a singer songwriter that will sing songs with our students about being respectful and responsible, and about diversity, so all children feel safe and included.

Here is the link to his website: <u>http://www.songspun.com/</u>

3/17: Spirit Day: "Go for the Greens Day" wear green and eat green!

Let's see what green food we can pack in our lunches!

3/31: Dance for Education (Just for fun) \*Parents who would like to participate in the Dance for Education will need their volunteer clearances.

#### Newsletter Submissions

Please e-mail submissions to kangney@rcn.com **by the 20th of each month**. \*All submissions are subject to approval by Ms. Limpar.