Hopewell Happenings May 2017



PTA President's Message

Spring is here!! Can't believe we only have a month left of this school year. There are lots of exciting things still happening at Hopewell in the upcoming weeks. We will be hosting our first 'Passport around the World' on Cinco de Mayo- May 5th during school. The students will have an opportunity to explore different cultures from around the world. We have about 8 parents who will be setting up tables to share a little about their cultures (to name a few... Cuba, India, Mexico, Columbia, China, Taiwan, Portugal).

The Spring Festival planning is in full swing. Join us on Friday, 5/19 from 5:30-8:30PM

Please consider volunteering your time during the festival. Contact Nicole Emery: <u>nez02@yahoo.com</u> If you would like to donate baked goods for our bake sale/cake walk please contact Jill Wheeler; <u>jillw7467@gmail.com</u>

We had so much fun last couple of weeks. The children loved Dance for Education! Thank you Dawn Resch for organizing. Family Fun Night at Menchies was a hit. Thank you Catherine Ziets for organizing and to all the teachers and families for supporting our school. Earth Day was such a success; the children enjoyed the entire day filled with activities and assembly. Thank you Melissa Rizzuto, Jill Wheeler and all the parents who organized, donated and volunteered.

It's been a great year in our new school!!! Hope your child(ren) made wonderful memories at the events the PTA hosted- family fun nights- plus, assemblies and field trips we sponsored! It was a pleasure being the President of the PTA and look forward to volunteering at Hopewell next year.

No PTA meeting in JUNE! Happy SUMMER 2017!!

Warm Regards, Carla Stock PTA President carlastock10@yahoo.com

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.

Message from PTA Vice President, Dawn Resch:

Thank you for participating in the **Dance for Education**. Everyone looked like rockstars and had a lot of fun! Hopewell ROCKS!

Thank you teachers and families for coming out to the **PTA Family Fun Night at Menchies**. What a great treat! Hopewell earned about \$190.00 from the sales.

Southern Lehigh Elementary Schools Family Fun Night Out at the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs:

June 10th at 6:35 pm. against the Scranton/WB RailRiders

Michael Jackson themed fireworks will follow the game!

Orders and forms are due no later than May 19th and if you turn them in by May 12th your child will be entered in the drawing to throw out the "First Pitch"!

Yearbook Cover Contest:

The students were asked to draw a picture during school about **"What Hopewell Means to Them".** The finalists' drawings were on display at school for the students to vote for the winner. The winner's drawing will be featured on the cover and will receive a free yearbook. The runners-up will be featured in the yearbook.

Here are the results:

YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST WINNER: Gabe M., 3rd grade/Kale

2nd place: Madelynn M., 2nd grade/Fulmer

3rd place: Angela, 3rd grade/Kale

4th place (TIE): Sophie W., 2nd grade/Simons & Zane S., 1st grade/Lysakowski

Congratulations!!!!!

Spring Festival:

Please fill out the wristband form and include payment, food pre-order form, and volunteer form and send it in an envelope labeled "Festival" by 5/5/17

Amazon Smile:

Please continue to shop on <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u> with your regular Amazon log-in information and choose Hopewell Elementary PTA as your charitable organization.

Thank you for supporting the Hopewell PTA!

A message from the principal...

Happy Spring Hopewell Families!

The end of the 2016-17 school year is quickly approaching and our calendar is filling up the many special activities. Specific information regarding grade level activities will be shared directly from your child's teacher. Here are some special Hopewell School activities during our busy month of May:

5/2: PTA Teacher Appreciation Luncheon!

- 5/2: Third grade field trip to Lost River Caverns (Kale, Cela, Hudson)
- 5/4: Third grade field trip to Lost River Caverns (Bonsall, Scanlon)
- 5/8: 3rd grade trip to Burnside (Hudson,)
- 5/8: Instrumental demos for grade 3 students only with Mrs. Marston @ 2PM
- 5/9: 2nd grade field trip to LV Zoo
- 5/12: Crazy Hair Day
- 5/14: Happy Mother's Day!
- 5/15: 3rd grade trip to Burnside (Cela, Scanlon)
- 5/17: School physicals w/ our district Dr. for students scheduled by school nurse
- 5/18: 3rd grade program for Parents @ 7 PM (3 Guests maximum please!)
- 5/19: PTA Festival 5:30PM 8:30PM. Parent volunteers needed. Please attend!
- 5/22: 1st Grade field trip Pool Wildlands
- 5/25: Kindergarten field trip to Flint Hill Farm
- 5/25: 3rd grade visit and tour of JPLIS 9-11:30AM
- **5/26**: 12:50 dismissal <u>all</u> students. PM Kindergarten attends, no AM K. (PM K will attend, eat lunch at school, and dismiss @ 12:50PM.)
- 5/26: School Spirit Day: Wear red, white and blue
- 5/29: Memorial Day No School
- **5/31**: 3rd grade field trip to Burnside (Bonsall, Kale)
- 6/2: 1st grade to Play at DeSales: "The Ice Princess"
- 6/2: Kindergarten Graduation: 10AM and 2 PM
- 6/5: Beach Read: Wear beach attire (no swimsuits please)
- 6/7: Parent Volunteer Luncheon
- 6/8: School is in session (makeup day), Last Day PM Kindergarten
- 6/9: AM Kindergarten attends, No PM K, 12:15 PM dismissal, No lunches served

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Hopewell festival:

The Hopewell festival is scheduled for Friday, May 19th from 5:30 – 8:30PM.

This is one of the largest and most successful events our PTA coordinates for our students. Please consider attending with your child and most importantly, volunteering your time to help. We cannot hold these events without parental participation. I promise you'll leave with a sense of satisfaction when you see how much our students enjoy this event!

More information will be coming from the Hopewell festival committee. Please look for it in your child's take home folder. General questions can be forwarded to:

Tara Moyer- <u>Moyermom5@gmail.com</u>.

Please make sure to attend with your child and donate some time to our festival committee either before, during, or after the festival. Thank you!

SOUTHERN LEHIGH FAMILY FUN NIGHT at the Lehigh Valley IRON PIGS!

On **Saturday, June 10th,** both of the Southern Lehigh Elementary Schools' families, teachers and staff members are invited to Coca-Cola Park to watch the Iron Pigs take on the Scranton/WB Rail Riders at **6:35 PM**. There will be Michael Jackson themed **FIREWORKS** immediately following the game.

As an added bonus, if you purchase your tickets before <u>May 12th</u> your child will be entered in a drawing to throw out the **FIRST PITCH**!

There are a limited amount of tickets for sale, so please return your order forms and money as soon as possible. We will stop the sale if we fill up the seats we reserved. Tickets are \$10 each and come with a \$2.00 ball park credit to be spent on merchandise, food, and non-alcoholic beverages. **No orders will be accepted after May 19th.**

Let's all get together for a FAMILY FUN NIGHT OUT!

Building update:

We received information that the playground installer will begin to install our playground in the days ahead. We are anxiously waiting! Over the summer there will still be a significant amount of warranty work to be completed both inside and outside of Hopewell School. Therefore, Hopewell will not be able to host any summer activities on our school site while this work is being completed. Extensive ground work and repair will occur around our school therefore, we will be limited to using the blacktop area until Lobar has completed the landscaping of these areas. Grass that is being planted will take time to mature; therefore these areas will be restricted through the end of this school year.

Play Day Update:

Due to limited outdoor space for student activities, Mrs. Moser will be planning some in-class "Play Day like activities" for our students during their regular gym classes. Our traditional Play day will resume next year when ground work is complete and we have recreational space that can accommodate large groups.