September and October

**Tuesday, September 21st**
6th Grade Meet the Teacher Night
7pm-8:20pm
ESL Parents 6:30pm-8:20pm
Scholastic Book Fair all week

**Tuesday, September 28th**
5th Grade Meet the Teacher Night
- 7pm-8:40pm
ESL—6:30pm-8:40pm
PTA President's Mtg. 9:45am @ JAI

**Monday, October 11**
Columbus Day—School Closed

**Monday, October 12**
PTA Mtg. 7:30pm @ JAI

**Thursday, October 14**
Picture Day

**November, 15, 16 or 17**
6th grade trip to King Tut Exhibit

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**Please Stay Informed**
Website: www.hufsd.edu
Web Page: click on the Woodhull page and look at tabs for specific information.

To read my e-boards and team e-boards go to district Website and move the mouse to click bar, scroll down to Woodhull and choose my e-board for all school news or click on specific team color.

**Connect Ed**
Is a phone message sent to your phone with important messages and confirming absences. If you get a phone message that your child is absent, please call the attendance number (673-2039) with the reason for absence and please send a note in the next day. If you would homework ready for the end of the day, you MUST call in by 11:00.

**E-mail**
The PTA is collecting e-mail addresses for those members that would like to receive e-mails about school events or meetings.

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**Woodhull Intermediate School**

**MESSAGE FROM MRS. STOKKERS**

Dear Parents,
As the new Principal of Woodhull Intermediate School, I am looking forward to the many events we have planned and to personally meet each and every family member. We opened the 2010-2011 school year with “Welcome to Woodhull Visitaton Day” on September 2nd. The hallways were filled with parents and students anxious to meet their new teachers and find their new classrooms. Many dressed in their team colors to show their school spirit!

Our staff worked very hard for the entire month of August preparing for this day. Our school shined, thanks to our custodians that cleaned day and night. Building and grounds moved an entire school in three weeks and built new spaces on weekends.

Our teachers moved for the second time and creatively designed their classrooms for their new students. Our clerical staff, aides and cafeteria workers are the backbone of Woodhull. They are always working behind the scenes to pull everything together, and they did. Our PTA met several times planning the new calendar (note: many dates may not be accurate on school calendar). I will update on our webpage and here in my Monthly Newsletter. Many Moms from the PTA planted the flowers out front and made team color signs with every teachers name. I would like to formally thank the entire staff and our PTA for a job well done!

Please support our PTA and SEPTA (special Ed-PTA) whether you are a parent, relative or staff member. I am hopeful we can reach the 100% goal. Our PTA will be sponsoring many events throughout the year raising money for enriching programs and helping to create a WELCOMING atmosphere for our children and families. SEPTA hosts forums to discuss issues and challenges parents may face and raises money for speakers and programs to be brought into our school. Both memberships are $8.00 and for $2.00 you can purchase a mini calendar that fits in a purse or even your glove box.

September Principal’s Challenge
Design (paint, draw, cartoon or graphic design) an Eagle Logo by Thursday 9/30 @4:00pm. Must fit on 8x10 paper, outlined in dark color and have students full name, classroom teacher and Room# on back. Write a saying or quotation on the front (optional) that has significance to how we want to be, act or be known. The winner will be showcased on our new t-shirts.

The PTA would also like to get as many e-mail addresses as possible so communication can be more effective and efficient. Please see attached PTA flyer.

“Meet the Teachers Night” was on Sept. 21st for 6th grader parents, and will be on September 28th at 7pm for 5th grader parents (6:30 for ESL parents that need translation). Please come without your children for this is an opportunity to get to know your child’s teacher and learn about the curriculum. Each night will begin at 7pm, ESL (English as a second language) teachers and I will meet at 6:30pm for any translation. Our support staff will be introduced and I will open with a 15 minute orientation. Parents will have an opportunity to sign up for conferences to speak about your child’s progress at those conferences. Time will not permit for discussions about each child, but if you have questions or concerns before the conferences in November, please call your teacher to set up an appointment. I am confident and proud of my staff and together with all our families we will make this a great year! Clubs will officially begin the second week of October. In some instances, your child will have to choose between two clubs because they may be offered on the same day. Discuss with your child and help them prioritize so they can put their all into a club and not be split between several. If your child is in orchestra, band or chorus, their mornings are already booked for certain days. Most extra-curricular activities will be in the afternoon.

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**CLUBS**
Newspaper Club: Tuesdays 3:45-4:45
Art Club: Tuesdays 3:45-5:00
Student Council: Monday mornings 8:30-9:15 (2 students per class elected in October)
Drama Club—Auditions TBA
(book clubs 5th and 6th graders) Mandatory availability both Mondays and Wednesdays 3:45-4:45 (everyday two weeks prior to performance)
Book Club—TBA
Bridge Club: Wednesdays (beginners)
Thursday (advanced)
Intramurals: Fall and Spring—days will alternate
Knitting Club—6th graders during Fun Friday. Second semester 5th graders
School of Rock—Thurs. 3:45-4:45 Tryouts 10/14
**5th Grade News**

The first field trip will coincide with the science unit “The Solar System”. All 5th graders will be going to the Vanderbilt Planetarium in October. The cost of the trip will be $10.00 and permission slips will be going home soon.

*If anyone would like to sponsor a child, please send the money in with your permission slip. Thank you.*

**Art Studio Workshop**

This year at Woodhull School, all students will have an opportunity to participate in an Art Studio Workshop during lunch or before school. This is a voluntary enrichment program which includes enrichment activities such as interdisciplinary art projects, web cam gallery interactions with other schools abroad, showcase decoration projects and/or simply extra studio for students to develop their art to a higher level of expertise.

Every Woodhull student will have an opportunity to attend at least twice a week (once with Mr. Hiscox and once with Mrs. Morea). It will be on a first come first serve basis. The Art teachers are currently explaining the program to the children and inviting them to sign up.

Students who have lunch during period 5 or 6 will attend Studio Workshop sessions during their lunch period, bringing lunch with them to the art room. The students on the Green and Yellow team have lunch during period 4, when there is a regular art class in the room. So, to accommodate these students, we are offering Art Studio Workshop to them before school on days that they do not have Bank, Orchestra or Chorus.

I hope that your children enjoy this special opportunity. If you have any questions about the program, please contact me at jfretz@hufsd.edu or 631-673-2106. Have a creative and wonderful year!

Joan Fretz, Director of Fine and Performing Arts

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**PTA Corner**

**Music Program**

Our music teachers will begin early morning music this week for 6th grade band and mid October for the others. Please note that 5th grade band with Mrs. Adams will be held at the High School. A bus will transport all children back to Woodhull by 9:15. Please see attached flyer each month as Wednesday practices will alternate weeks.

**6th Grade News**

We will be taking advantage of the King Tut exhibit being in NYC until December. In social studies, students will study ancient Egypt. Our entire 6th grade will travel by bus to time square on three different dates. In November. The trip permission slips will go home in a few weeks.

*If anyone would like to sponsor a child, please send money in with your permission slip. Thank you.*

**Fall Book Fair**

The Book Fair will run September 21-23. We are looking for volunteers to help every day for an hour or two. Please contact Dawn Weir 516-456-7539 weirdawn@optonline.net or Susan Reilly 424-5077 psreilly1@verizon.net if you can help.

**Chairpersons and Committee Representatives Needed**

There are a number of positions available to run events and represent the various committees. Contact Norma Gorecki with any questions npkg@aol.com 424-2152.

**Class Parents**

We will be selecting our Class Parents at our next PTA meeting on October 12. If you are interested in signing up please contact Debbie McGinniss dmcginniss@hotmail.com or Susan Reilly 424-5077 psreilly1@verizon.net if you can help.

**Kidstuff Coupon Book**

The coupon books will go out on or about September 20. The cost of each book is $25.00. The PTA receives 50% of the sales. Please consider purchasing one for your family and offering them to others as well. If you are not interested, just return the unwanted book back to your child’s teacher. Money or Coupon Book is due back by October 12. If you have any questions please contact Jen Reda jenreda@optonline.net or Lorraine Moya themoyas@verizon.net

**E-Mail Address List**

If you would like to receive notices from the Woodhull PTA regarding events and meetings, please contact Susan Reilly 424-5077 psreilly1@verizon.net. We do not share our addresses with any other groups.

**Dates and Events are subject to change, so please bear with us. Looking forward to a terrific year!**