

EAGLE NEWS



Woodhull Intermediate School

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April 2012

April 13–Marking Period Ends
April 17th 7:30 pm PTA meeting in the WH Cafeteria –tours for fifth grade parent @7:00pm
April 20-Report cards sent home via backpack. Please returned signed next day.
April 20 Pep rally
April 20th March Madness Game 6:30pm HHS gym doors open at 6:00 pm
PTA PLANT SALE begins today until May 1st. Pick up May 11th

Please note the following dates for our NYS Assessment.

ELA-April-17th, 18th and 19th

Fifth grade 9:30 am

Sixth grade 1:30 pm

Math-April 25th, 26th,27th

Fifth grade 9:30 am

Sixth grade 1:30 pm

Please make sure your child is here on time 9:20 am. If the test has started they may not join their class and will have to take the test in a small group at another time.

Please send your child in to school well rested and provide a health breakfast and send a water bottle and extra snack such as raisins or pretzels.

April 30th Art in Ed Assembly Ryu Shu Taiko "The Heartbeat of Japan" 9:40 am percussion students

10:00 am Grade 5 Performance

11:10 am Grade 6 Performance

May 19th- SEPTA Fundraiser

Physical Education News

Intramurals

Intramurals-Have begun

Monday-5th grade

Wednesday- 6th grade

Please note that intramurals will not be held on rainy days.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. STOKKERS

Dear Parents and Staff,

Welcome back from spring vacation. We have a busy last quarter ahead of us. Please stay informed by going to my e-Board on hufsd.edu.

Spring flowers are popping and our Student Council and PTA has spruced up our entrance, beautiful courtyards and planted flowers in our pots. I appreciate everyone's efforts in making Woodhull such a welcoming school.

Please also make sure to see the artwork displayed in our lobby and now in the window of "Book Review."

Troop 78 has completed a large portion of the Patrick Hannon Memorial garden this past-month. The main wall along the building and the circular garden wall is completed. Topsoil was spread over the lawn area and seeded. Deb Ciccione added some flowers in the center ring by the tree to brighten things up. String was placed around the grass to give that area time to settle and to protect the seeded lawn. Troop 78 has made a beautiful peaceful area for all of us to enjoy in memory of Patrick Hannon.

Our Science Fair was so successful thanks to Mr. Helstrom and our teachers and families supporting this endeavor.

Congratulation to all that participated and to our winners!

6th Grade Winners:

*1st place Lindsay Saginaw- Canine Cure

*2nd place Alexandra Cartwright– Fake Hand Illusion

3rd place Sam Bergman-Can Humans Echolocate

5th Grade Winners:

*1st place Haley Mortell-Alternatives to Plastic

*2nd place Nathaniel Gamboa-Water and Flowers Glow

3rd place Ariana Strieb-Swimming and pulse rate

Honorable Mention

David Fredricks, Luke Eidle, Emily Stevens, Nick Inman, Erica Vazquez, Rachel Moss, Aidan Forbes, Niamh Condon, John Riley, Ryan Gorecki, Frank Spatafora, Sebastian Stamatatos

*These students will be invited to participate in the Brookhaven Elementary Science Fair Saturday, May 5th.

On Friday, April 20th we will be having our March Madness (the only date we could reserve the HS gym). This is an exciting basketball game where Woodhull staff plays against Finley staff. Monies raised will go to the Morgan School which is a Pre-K and kindergarten school for students with cancer. We hope to raise money to buy them a Smartboard. Please join us! Our team will consist of the following members. Mr. Suarez, Mr. Helstrom, Dr. Fletcher, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Hiscox, Mr. Esposito, Mrs. Postel, Ms. Castillo, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Hender, Ms. Rubcewich, Mr. Triolo. Mrs. Stokkers will be the captain.

Our 6th graders will visit Finley in June. We will be having workshops presented by Finley and high school students in May. We will also have lockers placed in the 6th grade hallway to practice how to open a locker, as this is believe it or not, a huge challenge transitioning up to the middle school.

To facilitate transition from our primary school, our PTA will be inviting our 4th grade parents to **PTA meeting on Tuesday, April 17th**. I will be having tours for incoming 5th grade parents at 7:00 pm. Thank you for staying involved in Woodhull happenings and encouraging your children to work to their potential.

Report cards will go home on Friday, April 20th

Please note the criteria for **Honor Roll and Principals list for 6th grade**.

Honor Roll-combination of 3's and 4's in core subjects. "S" in behaviors.

Principal List-All 4's in core subjects and "G" in behaviors.

Huntington Youth Writes Awards Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, May 1st at 7:00 pm at Woodhull Intermediate School. The winning entries will be published in a journal which will be distributed at the ceremony. Our two winners are from Mrs. Broomer's class. Erin Bonitz and Alex Wakhale, Congratulations!

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions or concerns.

Please join Huntington SEPTA (Special Education Parent Teacher Association) to "Sunset and Sounds on the Bay." Saturday, May 19th 2012 7:30 pm. See flyer.

Math Olympiad News– Each team of Fifth and Sixth Grade students is preparing for Meet # 4 held on Tuesday, February 7th. We are concentrating on geometry problems since the seems to be an area which is tricky for most.

LEGO CLUB'S FINAL PROJECT

The objectives of the final project is to use your imagination, creativity, ability to think outside the box, teamwork abilities, collaboration and Lego skills to create your design of HUNTINGTON in the year 2112. It may be a depiction of the town of Huntington, Woodhull School, your neighborhood or anything else creative that your mind can create. You will be asked to present your design on or around May 3rd. The group projects will be judged by your peers in the following areas:

1. Original Idea
2. Creativity
3. Design/Lego work
4. Presentation

The winning team will be announced on WBL!

TECHNOLOGY TIPS

Thanks to Mrs. Reeves for sharing what she learned at her conference

Here are some Apps to help your child learn.

Free Apps(Educator: Top Charts)

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| 1. GoSkyWatch Planetarium | 7. Hubble Top 100 |
| 2. Brainpop Featured Movie | 8. Conjuverb Spanish |
| 3. Flashcards+ | 9. VideoScience |
| 4. Flashcards App HD | 10. Brainscape(spanish) |
| 5. Spanish Dictionary | 11. Living Language |
| 6. MOMA | 12. Spanish Dictionary |
| | 13. WatchKnow |
| | 14. Google Earth |
| | 15. PBS Kids |

Paid Apps (Education: Top Charts)

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| 1. Mathboard | 1. Reading Comprehension |
| 2. Rocker Math | 2. Storybuilder |
| 3. Math Fact Master | 3. Sentence Builder |
| 4. Count Money | 4. Sentence Builder (teen) |
| 5. Telling Time | 5. National Geographic |
| 6. Fraction Apps | 6. Sentence Maker |
| 7. Math Drills | 7. Sports Illustrated Kids |
| 8. Geometry for Kids | 8. English Idioms Illustrated |
| 9. Algebra Touch | Story kit |
| 10. Math Flash Cards | Songify |
| 11. Everyday Mathematics | Dragon Dictation |
| 12. Math Bingo Games | Verbally |
| 13. Rocket Math Free | |
| 14. Counting Money | |
| 15. Multiplication Genius | |
| 16. Math Monster-Bingo | |
| 17. Math Workbook | |
| 18. Multiplication!! | |
| 19. Chicken Coop Fractions Game | |
| 20. Division!!! | |
| 21. Oh No! Fractions | |

Here is a list and description of some wonderful math Websites

Timez Attack: download a free version. Take a pretest so questions will be at your level. This fun interactive game tracks your progress of math facts. A wonderful way to learn multiplication facts.

www.bigbrainz.com/Multiplicatonp.php

Free Rice. Com: Gives math quiz questions where every correct answer donates 20 grains of rice through the UN World Program to help end hunger.

www.freerice.com

National Library of Virtual Manipulatives: Click on your grade level and explore a variety of math topics that you are working on in class. Categories include: Number & Operations, Algebra, Geometry, Measurement, and Data Analysis and Probability.

www.nlvm.usu.edu

Cool Math 4 Kids: An amusement park of math games, puzzles and brain teasers.

www.coolmath4kids.com

Fun Brain: A fun colorful website where kids can play while practicing their math skills.

www.funbrain.com

Math Geometry Web Sites

Interactive: Activities<<http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities>

Math Sites<cte.jhu.edu/techacademy/web/2000/heal/siteslist.htm

I.Q.-Math Interactive Quizzes by Tami Maloney

<<http://www.i.q.poquoson.org/studysubjectareamath.html>>

www.schoolmart.com

Bridge Club Members and Parents,

The Bridge Club has met 25 times this year and has only 3 meetings left. Our graduation celebration and party will be held on April 26th. Each member including those who attend the School of Rock will receive a bridge book, T-Shirt and Graduation Certificate as well as treats and prizes.

Parents are most welcome to the party, especially if they can bring treats for the children. If you have a busy day, and we know you do, join us for the last one half hour beginning at 4:45

Our Grade 5 Search program is beginning the Jurisprudence Unit, analyzing laws, the court system, due process rights of every individual-all in preparation for their Mock Trial Day which will be held on Friday, June 8th.

Grade 6 is involved in learning all about Forensic Science. They have already completed labs in fingerprinting and handwriting analyses and discovery how difficult it is to be an eyewitness to a crime. Using the FACES software, each group tried to duplicate a sketch of a suspect!!

Woodhull Student Council got together on Wednesday, March 14th to volunteer to give the school a "Spring Clean-up." Under the direction of Mr. Armyn and Mrs. Barresi, the students split up into 2 groups to spruce up the front of the building and the Courtyard. One team used the wheelbarrow to shovel and spread mulch in the flower beds while others weeded and raked leaves. With the mild winter and early spring the students were careful not to disturb the crocuses and daffodils that are already blooming. The enthusiastic group put in a lot of hard work and are eager to do it again. Thank you student council.