

EAGLE NEWS

Woodhull Intermediate School

MESSAGE FROM MRS. STOKKERS

September-October, 2011

September 17—Huntington Station Community Day Parade 10:00-5pm Parade goes from E. 15th St. to train station parking lot

September 19—Meet the Teacher night Grade 5 7:00pm (ESL 6:30pm)

September 19-22—Book Fair

September 24—Softball Game in honor of Patrick Hannon

September 26—Meet the Teacher Night Grade 6 7:00pm (ESL 6:30pm)

September 29-30—Rosh Hashanah—School Closed

October 3—BOE @ JAI 7:30pm

October 7—Shared Decision Making Team Meeting

October 10—Columbus Day—School Closed

October 11—Fall Pictures

PTA meeting @ 7:30pm
Parent University @ 6:30pm
Keep your children safe online: Mr. Stein will do a presentation on CYBERBULLYING

October 24—BOE @ JAI 7:30pm

Dear Parents and Staff,

We had a great opening beginning with our "Welcome to Woodhull" visitation day on September 6th. Our students were prepared and eager to start the school year and transitioned easily to their new teachers and classrooms the following day.

I would like to formally "thank" our teachers, secretarial staff, PTA President, Mrs. LaBella for working long and hard throughout the month of August to prepare for the new school year. Our custodial, buildings and grounds staff cleaned and made repairs all summer, and it really showed. The building was spotless and the hallways shine!

Our 9/11 ceremony was very well done with Mr. Stein as the "master of ceremonies" and Mrs. Adams playing the taps. Mr. Hiscox is preparing a bulletin board where all 680 students and 100 staff members will leave their hand prints in either red, white or blue to design a flag that will be framed to leave as a remembrance of the 10th year anniversary forever here in the halls of Woodhull.

Monday night September 19th will be the 5th grade "meet the teacher night". ESL parents should come at 6:30pm and meet their ESL teachers in the lobby. All other parents, please come at 7:00pm. Special area teachers will also be here to answer questions you may have.

On Monday night September 26th our 6th grade teachers will greet parents at 7:00pm. ESL parents should come at 6:30pm to meet their ESL teachers. If anyone needs translation, please contact the school by calling Miss Peggy at 673-2030. Please do not bring your children as this night is for parents only!

Our PTA and SEPTA representatives will be there to ask for membership. Please join as we are hoping to show support by getting 100% this year. Many of our programs are provided by money they raise. You may join SEPTA even though you don't have a child in special education services. The money is used for speakers and grants.

We are very excited about our parent-vs -staff softball game in honor of Patrick Hannon. It will be played at Huntington High School from 11:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday, September 24th. Admission will be \$3.00 and Bad Dawgs will be selling hot dogs. T-shirts will also be sold. All funds raised will go towards a scholarship to send a boy to Boy Scout camp next summer. Please come honor Patrick by cheering us on or hitting a home run.

Please call me with any questions, concerns or ideas.

5th Grade News

Clubs will begin in October.

6th Grade News

Mr. Esposito will be sending out notices for any students interested in joining the School of Rock club, which will be meeting most Thursdays at 3:45pm in the gym. Only 6th graders are permitted to join. Students must know how to play the instrument chosen.

Music News

Lessons are starting Thursday, September 22nd

Chorus rehearsals begin the week of September, 19th. Band and Orchestra rehearsals begin the week of

October 3rd.

Attendance

We would like all parents to call **673-2039** when reporting a student's absence from school. Also, please remember that notes are required when picking your child up early from school with the specific time.

Dress Code

Please refer to the student agenda book for the student dress code. Parents will be called to bring appropriate clothing up to the school if deemed necessary.

Charging Lunch

Students who forget their money to pay for lunch will be permitted to charge for that day. However, the Whitson policy only allows the students to choose from a cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwich or bagel. Please be sure to have your child bring in the lunch money the following day. To purchase monthly tickets, see the information on the school lunch menu.

Physical Education News for the month of September

Welcome back!! I'm sure your children have been updating you regularly on what we are doing in physical education class. For the month of September and most of October we will be doing our football unit. This unit incorporates the basic skills of football; throwing, catching, learning 9 different pass patterns, 1 on 1's, 2 on 2's, mini-games and finally games. Don't worry the girls will be playing against the girls and the boys will be playing against the boys.

Physical education grades are based primarily on participation, and if you're not playing you're not participating. We require students to have a note if they are going to sit out of gym class. A parental note is good for 1 class only; if your child needs to sit out for more than 1 class they will need a doctor's note.

Fall intramurals will start soon and run for approximately 10 weeks. Each grade level will have a designated morning to participate in intramurals. Details will follow.

Clubs

Notices for clubs will be sent home by October 1st. The club days and times are as follows:

<u>Student Council</u>	Monday mornings
<u>School of Rock</u>	Thursday—3:45pm
<u>Drama</u>	Monday and Wednesday—3:45pm
<u>Art</u>	Tuesday—3:45pm
<u>Intramurals</u>	Monday or Wednesday morning
<u>Bridge Club</u>	Thursday—3:45-4:45

PTA Corner

The PTA is looking forward to a great year. We are excited about all the wonderful programs and events we have scheduled for the students this year. Here is a look at what's coming up...

- 1) First PTA meeting 7:30pm, September 13th
- 2) Innisbrook Gift Wrap fundraiser begins on September, 19th (top 3 sellers win a adorable stuffed monkey named "Max")
- 3) Book Fair September, 19-22 in Library

Please check the HUFSD.edu website for Woodhull pictures, schedules of events, and current flyers. Membership will be on going throughout the year, but feel free to get it out of the way early. Membership is \$9.00 and for only a dollar more, you can get a fabulous mini sized school calendar for your home or purse. Membership forms are attached. Please feel free to call me with suggestions, concerns or just information about our Woodhull PTA. Thank you, Julie LaBella 673-1979

Box Tops for Education: We get 10 cents for every Box Top we collect. General Mills sends us a check twice a year. In the last two years we have collected almost \$4000. Please be sure that the expiration date is visible on the Box Top. Sign up on their website for coupons, we also get bonus points for everyone who signs up. boxtops4education.com Did you know the following products participate in the Box Tops program? (General Mills, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Betty Crocker, Ziploc, Avery and Yoplait)

Campbell's Labels for Education: Please be sure you send in the entire label. Did you know the following products participate in the Labels for Education program? (Campbell's Soup Labels, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish Crackers, V8 Splash Beverages, Campbell's Supper Bakes and Campbell's Microwavable Soup.) Points can be used for classroom supplies

Coke Rewards: Collect the tops of all bottles and there is a code on the boxes of all cans. In the last two years we have been able to get every classroom their own football, kickball, soccer ball and jump rope.

Tyson A+ Labels: Found on Tyson Chicken products. We got 30 cents for every label collected.

Target for Education and Stop and Shop: Sign up our school and every time you shop we receive points. Both companies mail a check to the school.

All products can be brought to Ms. VonVange's room. (Room 18)