Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

April showers bring May flowers. Please notice the beautiful flower gardens in the front of the school. Thank you PTA for running the Plant sale, and adding to the Patrick Hannon Memorial Garden. The Student Council did a clean up in the courtyard.

This year’s sixth grade Pasta Night drew a large crowd to the school gym and cafeteria. Guests dined on fresh green salad, ziti with fresh marinara sauce, soft Italian bread and assorted cookies, along with tasty refreshments. We had over 70 sixth graders serving a delicious pasta dinner from Johnny D’s to almost 250 family members. The evening included 20 family oriented raffle baskets and grand prizes that included a Kindle Fire and Amazon gift card, which was donated by Woodhull’s faculty members. Parents Bari Fehr, Laura McMorow, Lori Arlof, Julie Porzio, Cathy Ribando, Meg Langton, Susan Buchholtz, Jen Walther, Rene Dansegio, Angela Walsh, Trish La-marco, Carolyn Luckow, Mark Bellissimo, Jeanie Dempsey, Andrea Morris, Jeaneine Kata, and Rosemary Miller all played key roles in making the evening a success. The event raised nearly $2,000, which will be used to fund several PTA initiatives this spring.

At our last PTA Meeting, Mr. Polansky gave parents and teachers an overview of this year’s budget proposal. Please put the budget vote date on your calendars now for Tuesday, May 21st. The district Art Show will also be on display.

We have so much to look forward to in May! The Arts in Education Committee will be bringing in two programs this month. 5th grade will have the Civil War re-enactment on May 14th and 30th. Students will think they’ve stepped into a time machine when they are transformed back to Civil War life. Each fifth grade class will participate in a 40 minute Civil War program featuring a small encampment. They will also interact with the soldiers, who will explain the life of the common soldier during the American Civil War. A wide array of visual and hands-on teaching aids and artifacts will be used and displayed for a complete comprehension and learning experience of how the common soldier provided himself with the basic needs for survival while on the field. The program will conclude with a question and answer type forum. The 5th & 6th grade will view Imani Winds presentation, a Musical Journey Around the World on May 23rd. Imani Winds is a woodwind quintet that focuses on illuminating the connection between culture from the African diaspora, (word “imani” means “faith” in the African language Swahili) and the classical music in their repertoire.

Our next big family night is “Woodhull’s Got Talent”. It will be on Thursday, May 23rd at 7pm at Huntington High School. Come see Woodhull’s most talented dance, lip sync, or play an instrument. Admission is $3.00 per person at the door. The PTA will be hosting a Bake Sale. All students must be accompanied by an adult. See the attached flyer.

Our Spring Concerts will be coming up see dates on calendar.

Enjoy the Spring.