

WESTHAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Bowl For Kids' Sake

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampshire County is holding a major fundraiser. This program is fantastic and works! It's underfunded and there are 200+ kids waiting for "Bigs".

They need your support! Visit this this web site to learn more:
https://chd.myetap.org/fundraiser/bbbsbowl_2011/aboutEvent.do

- you can form a team and come out and bowl on April 2nd or 3rd
- you can join a team that has already registered
- you can sponsor a bowler

School Policy On Party Invitations

Students may pass out party invitations at school only if **ALL STUDENTS IN THE CLASS** are invited. To avoid hurt feelings, if all are **not** invited **invitations must be mailed or delivered outside of school**. Thank you for respecting this school policy.

National Geographic Geography Bee

Students in grades 4, 5, & 6 recently participated in the school wide Geography Bee. The bee consists of both an oral and written portion.

**Congratulations to school champion
Nicholas Randolph in grade 6 !**

*Congratulations also go to the following students
who were finalists in their grades.*

| <u>Grade 4</u> | <u>Grade 5</u> | <u>Grade 6</u> |
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| Justin Szwajkowski | Gregory Norris | Nicholas Randolph |
| Ryan Wilcox | Veronica Brennan | Ruth Tracy |
| | Garrett Antosz | Ida Weiss |



The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree on display in the entryway has requests for the following items:

Grade 1 – Quart size baggies , washable markers, Clorox wipes

Kindergarten – Baggies (any size)

Mrs. O'Connor – White cardstock

If you would like to donate any of these items, just drop them off at the school.

Thank you.

Reminder from the Cafeteria:

Lunch money for the week is due on Mondays. Field trips are starting up so be sure not to pay for those days. Also, money should be in an envelope labeled with the student's name and grade. Thank you.

Grade 4 Trip to the Gazette

Fourth grade recently went on a field trip to tour the Daily Hampshire Gazette in Northampton. The class subscribes to the newspaper several days a week through the Newspaper in Education program using it to study current events. We thank the Gazette for the tour and the newspapers it provides!

Dates to Remember

- 3/8 - School Committee, 7:00
- 3/9 - Playground & Auction Committee Meeting, 6:30
- 3/18 - Progress Reports
- 3/18 - Half Day for Students - Prof. Dev. For Staff
- 3/23 - PTO meeting, 7:00



Pennies for Patients March 5 – 25

Students in grades PK through 2 have kicked off the "Pennies for Patients" campaign. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients is a three-week long service learning program in which kids collect spare change to help those afflicted with blood cancer. Program service dollars are spent on patient and community services, research, public health and professional education. This is an excellent exercise in math skills as each grade will have to count the money they collect!

In case you were wondering, nickels, dimes, quarters, bills and checks are all accepted. Checks can be made payable to "The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society." You may also make an online donation with a debit or credit card at www.schoolandyouth.org/MA.

Thank you for your support!

