

❖ Knightly News ❖

March 2013

Hollis Brookline Middle School

From the Administration

Hello Parents,

We hope that Spring arrives soon! We have many exciting things going on at HBMS this month and a few things to share. We thank you for taking a few moments to catch up with us.

After months of planning and preparations, our 8th graders leave for Washington, D.C. on March 19th. Our teachers have been busy preparing students for this exciting academic adventure. We look forward to hearing about the students' experiences upon their return.

The Student Council is sponsoring its annual "Pennies for Patients" drive to support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Participating is easy. Simply send in loose change with your child, and they will place it in the collection boxes found around the school. Please help us achieve our school goal of collecting \$500.00.

As the warm weather approaches, we would like to take a moment to remind students and parents that HBMS does have a dress code. While we understand that fashion trends are important to students, please know that any clothing such as camisoles with spaghetti straps, low cut shirts, shorts that come above the mid thigh and any clothing with inappropriate language or that refer to drugs and alcohol are prohibited. Students will be asked to call home and will be issued detentions for dress code infractions. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Until next month, take care.

Bob Thompson and Patti Flynn

VETERANS—PLEASE JOIN US!

Veterans are invited to join us on Thursday, March 14 for a day of food and discussion with our 8th grade students before they leave for Washington, DC. Please call Penny Arsenault at 324-5997 for details.

Calendar Of Events

March 12th—**No School**—Teacher Workshop Day
March 14th—Veterans Visitation (Snow date March 15th)
March 19-22—8th Grade Washington DC Trip
March 19-22—DC Alternate Program

April 11th—Early Release
April 22nd-26th—Spring Vacation

May 27th—Memorial Day
May 28th—Early Release

News from the Health Office Attention Parents of 8th Grade Students

It is the policy of the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School Board that in accordance with RSA 200:32 and RSA 200:33 that all children entering the Hollis Brookline High School **will** have received a complete physical examination within the last twelve (12) months prior to attendance **and every two years thereafter (i.e., prior to 9th and 11th grades)**. We are trying to capture any physicals that have already been done to facilitate the entry process in August 2013.

Please forward a copy of your child's physical that has been done after August 1st, 2012 to Sheila Mandragouras RN at: Hollis Brookline Middle School.

Parents of students who do not have insurance that covers yearly physical exams must contact the school nurse for alternate physical exam tracking.

If you have any questions or want to check if your child has a current physical on file, please contact Sheila Mandragouras RN at sheila.mandragouras@sau41.org

DRIVEWAY HANDICAP ACCESS

If you're dropping off or picking up, please be aware of the handicap access area in front of the school. Many times we have students and staff who need this access so please refrain from parking in front this area. We appreciate your assistance in helping everyone be safe.



ARTS NIGHT / EMPTY BOWLS

Wednesday, May 22nd 6:30-8:30

Come hear amazing students performances from the Jazz Band, Chorus and African Drumming Group!

View exhibits of beautiful artworks by our student artists!

Also ... help a worthy cause by having fun and enjoying a great evening of the ARTS!



New ... Empty Bowls Event!!... We need your help please!

Students have been busy in the art room planning for a new event this year! On Wednesday, May 22nd, HBMS will hold its annual Arts Night, celebration of students and their achievements in the visual and performing arts. In conjunction with Arts Night, we will be hosting our first *Empty Bowls*, a charitable event to help in the fight against hunger.

HBMS Empty Bowls:



- In art class, students learn about and discuss the situation of poverty/hunger in America as well as in their own communities. Each HBMS student creates a unique ceramic bowl to be donated to the event.
- Bowls will be sold for \$10 each and filled with ice cream and toppings!
- Proceeds will be donated to local, NH hunger-fighting organizations.

Volunteers Needed!

Much help is needed for preparation in the months prior to the event as well as during the actual event.

Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054EAAAC2A1-empty> to learn more about how you can help. Questions? Contact Lynne Ouellette at lynne.ouellette@sau41 or Tammy Fareed, PTSA Volunteer Coordinator, tfareed@tds.net

Your children are very excited about the bowls they have created and that they will be helping people in our communities with their artwork!! (coming soon to Team McAuliffe!) Thank you for your support!!

