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News and Information from the Peacham School



Hike for Hunger

On October 29th we had our annual hike for hunger in conjunction with crazy hat day. As a school we hiked through town and back to raise our awareness of those in need of assistance. Students brought in food for our school food pantry, and we discussed why it is important to help those in need. Alice and Cheryl are attaching a special request for assistance for those in need in our community. If you can help out, a little bit when combined with everyone else goes a long way. If you need help, we are here for you.

Community Forum

On November 4th the Peacham School held a community forum hosted by Winton Goodrich from the Vermont School Boards Association. The purpose of the forum was to work with the Peacham community in developing a five-year plan for the direction of the school. Lots of hard work went into planning and preparing for this forum and I would like to extend a special thanks to Wanda Berwick, Cathy Browne, Mark Clough, Mathew Langham, Heather MacDonald, Janet St. Onge, Dave Stauffer, and Jane Woodhouse for volunteering to be on the steering committee. We had a good turn out of community members and parents, yet we do realize that it is difficult for many of you to break free of your commitments and attend these events. We will put together a survey of what the forum identified as key areas to focus on and give you a chance to help prioritize this list by filling out and returning the survey to the school. Look for this in a future Friday Notes. Go to our website to see the documents used at the forum. The results will be posted in the near future.

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Winton Goodrich leads the discussion



Community members hard at work

Community Spirit Day

In honor of Veteran's Day on Wednesday, November 11th, we will be having a spirit day. The children are invited to dress in school colors or camouflage and bring in a monetary donation that we will send to the "Vermont National Guard Charitable Foundation". They are raising money to bring Vermont National Guardsmen home for the Holidays.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on the 17th, 18th and 19th of November. Attached you will find a sign up sheet, please fill it out and return to your child's classroom teacher.

H1N1 Update

Ruth turned in her final number of students to be vaccinated last Tuesday, October 27th. For those of you who have since requested vaccination for your child, your name will go onto a waiting list, in case there are any extra doses. There are a few local clinics starting soon, for more information go to www.healthvermont.gov Click on H1N1 Vaccine Clinics to search for local clinics and guidelines.

Barnet and Danville Basketball forms

Rossana has Barnet and Danville Basketball sign up forms in the office. If you would like one please have your child stop in for one. Barnet offers basketball for grades 3-6. Danville offers skills for grades K-2 and teams for grades 3-6.

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Balsam Wreath Orders

The Cabot Smith Farm has extended their wreath sale until Monday. If you would like to order a wreath please send in your order form with checks made out to "The Thelma White Scholarship Fund" the cost of the wreaths is \$20 each. Similar wreaths were featured in the L.L. Bean catalog for \$35.

Upcoming Dates

11/17/09-11/19/09	Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/19/09-11/20/09	Early Release
11/24/09	Thanks for Giving concert/Pie Sale
11/25/09-11/27/09	Thanksgiving break

Attachments

(available as hard copy from the school)

- **Kingdom Kids Application**
- **Parent/Teacher Conference sign-up sheet**
- **Community Letter for Donations to the Food and Santa Program**
- **Information on Joining Scouting** (this is not a school sponsored activity.
This information is being distributed for those interested. For those of you receiving this electronically or to learn more call Dave Towle at (802) 684-3461 or email him at dtowle@rideRCT.org