



Hopkins Hill School Newsletter

November 2011

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Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 3rd Gr.3 Pequot Museum-Field Trip
- Nov. 5th Playground Surfacing Day 9-5
- Nov. 7th Hilarious Hair Day-
Feinstein Food Drive
- Nov. 9th PTA 6:30PM
K Conferences-Library 9-3pm
- Nov.11th **NO SCHOOL** - Veteran's Day
- Nov.14th Picture Re-takes in the Gym
Pajamas for a Purpose Day-
Feinstein Food Drive
- Nov.17th **1/2 DAY-12 PM DISMISSAL**
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov.18th *Hats On!*
- Nov.24 & 25th **NO SCHOOL**
Thanksgiving Recess 
- Nov.28 - Dec.2nd Book Fair
- Dec. 1st HH Flu Clinic - CHS 4-7PM
- Dec. 3rd Holiday Happenings & Elf
Shop 10am - 2pm

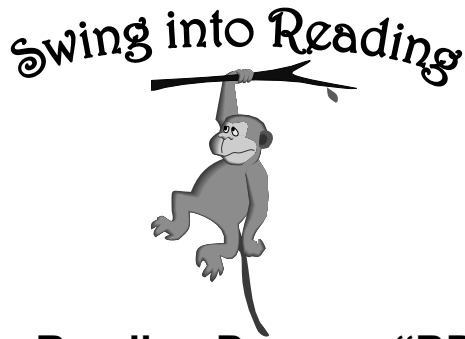
Huskies Helping the Hungry

Hopkins Hill School is holding our annual food drive to help people in our community to have a nice Thanksgiving dinner. Huskies, please bring in the food items assigned to your classroom by Nov. 18th for the Thanksgiving baskets. Remember, Mr. Feinstein will donate \$1.00 to our school for each item that we bring in! We are hoping to collect 2000 cans/items to earn \$2000!



Save the Date!
Saturday December
3rd is the annual
Holiday Happenings!
Crafts, Games, Santa,
Bake Sale and more!
Volunteers are
needed!





The Reading Process “BDA” “Before, During & After”

The best way to become a better reader is to READ! Remind your child to use the Before, During and After strategies whenever they read. This month’s reading tip focuses on what good readers do BEFORE reading:

Connect with Text

- ♦ Set a purpose for reading
- ♦ Make predictions about text; read title, table of contents, etc.
- ♦ Activate prior knowledge about topic
- ♦ Preview chapter/passage to identify author’s purpose and text pattern or organization
- ♦ Utilize illustrations, subheadings, titles, diagrams, etc.
- ♦ Plan strategy and purpose

Next month’s tip will focus on tips for things readers can do DURING their reading.

Hopkins Hill Flu Clinic

Our Flu Clinic will be held on Thursday, December 1st from 4-7pm and it is open to all Hopkins Hill children, their families, staff and community members. You can register when you arrive at the clinic or on-line at the Dept. of Health Website: <http://www.health.ri.gov/>. All insurances are accepted with no additional fees and there is no charge for those without insurance.



Playground Surfacing Day is this Saturday, November 5th! Thanks to everyone who has donated their time to come and spread the mulch for the playground. Please check the volunteer list in this newsletter to verify the time you are working.

News from the Health Office by Mrs. Kowal

Parents, please remember Dental cards are due by Dec. 22. In addition, as the days get colder, please have the children dress properly to play outside at recess. They will need to wear hats, mittens, coats and boots! Contact our school nurse, Mrs. Kowal, if you are in need of winter clothing for a child. Our school works with the Coventry Human Services to assist families in need during the holidays. If your family needs assistance please contact them at 822-9175. Please contact them as soon as possible to ensure holiday assistance.



PSST from the PTA! *everychild.one voice.*

Playground update- The installation of the new surfacing will take place on Saturday November 5th from 9am-5pm. We will be closing the playground on the afternoon of the 4th and it will re-open on the 6th. I have included a volunteer list with the newsletter. The list has assigned times to those who have signed up. Please feel free to come down if you can help us out. Please bring gloves, steel rakes and shovels for helping to final spread the mulch.

Book Fair- The Hopkins Hill School Fall Book Fair will be taking place from November 28th through Dec. 3rd. The students will be visiting the Book Fair during their library time that week. We invite all parents available to volunteer time to work at the fair during your child's time. If you are available contact Deb Doran at dinad811@verizon.net or send in a note with your child. It is also a great thing for grandparents to volunteer at, allowing them to be part of their grandchild's time at the Book Fair.

Holiday Happenings- Hopkins Hill School's annual event, Holiday Happenings is December 3rd from 10am to 2pm. It is a fun event with games, crafts, baked goods, elf shop, gift basket raffle and many other fun things for the family. We hope to see all of the Hopkins Hill families at the event and don't forget to invite all of your friends and family members. Once again we hope that you will be able to give some of your time to volunteer a couple of hours, so that all of our volunteers can also enjoy the event with their families. Please contact our volunteer coordinator Deb Doran at dinad811@verizon.net or send in a note with your child that you are able to help. We will also need people to help set-up on Dec. 2nd from 5:30pm -7:30pm.

We also have an area in our gym for tables to be set up if you or someone you know had crafts or products that you would like to sell during our event. An 8ft. table space (table provided by vendor), is available for \$20.

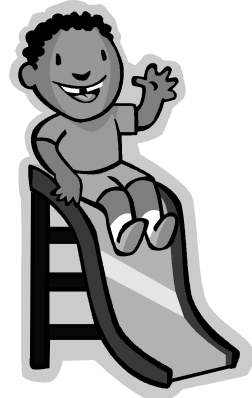
Membership- Our membership drive continues as we move into November and we hope that you will send in your forms to join the PTA. Joining the PTA helps support the school in so many ways and we thank those who have already joined.

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and have a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday.

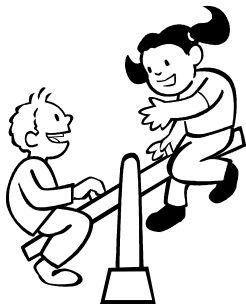
Regards,

Dave Ritchotte-PTA President

Volunteer List for Playground Surfacing Saturday, November 5th



	Playground	November 5th	
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 1	Jon Filiatreault
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 1	Bill Trowbrdige
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 1	Michael Greene
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 1	Brian Smith
	Playground	November 5th	
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 1	Craig Verrastro
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 1	Rick Parent
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 1	Jeff Fontaine
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 1	Heather Fontaine
	Playground	November 5th	
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 2	Tony Ourique
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 2	Rob Lemoi
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 2	Darren Marinelli
	9:00am-Noon	Border Team 2	Todd Detonnancourt
	Playground	November 5th	
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 2	Christy Conklin
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 2	Rich Moschetti
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 2	Joann Gibbons
	Noon-3:00pm	Border Team 2	Brooke Eaton
	Playground	November 5th	
	3:00pm-5:00pm	Border Team 3	Jake Mather
	3:00pm-5:00pm	Border Team 3	Brenda Mather
	3:00pm-5:00pm	Border Team 3	
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	Playground	November 5th	
	9:00am-Noon	Fabric Placement	William Bourassa
	9:00am-Noon	Fabric Placement	Melissa Bourassa
	9:00am-Noon	Fabric Placement	Jen Beauchemin
	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Name of volunteer</u>
	Playground	November 5th	
	Noon-3:00pm	Fabric Placement	Mandarelli Family
	Noon-3:00pm	Fabric Placement	Angela Reslow
	Noon-3:00pm	Fabric Placement	Brian Smith
	Playground	November 5th	
	9:00am-Noon	Final Mulch Spread	Derek Hitte
	9:00am-Noon	Final Mulch Spread	Aly Brock
	Noon-3:00pm	Final Mulch Spread	Kim Barlow
	Noon-3:00pm	Final Mulch Spread	



Note: If you have additional time outside of the time you are assigned, please feel free to come out and join in!

Equipment: Please bring gloves, steel rakes for spreading mulch, and shovels.