

The Cleveland Comet News From Your Neighborhood School June 2013 Volume 4, Issue 10



# Principal's Corner

Well, it is hard to believe that our school year is coming to a close...and what a fantastic year this has been!

June is a busy month at Cleveland School—please be sure to check on page two for important date information regarding upcoming events at Cleveland School.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Cleveland students, staff members, and parents for their continued support and assistance this year. I am very fortunate, indeed, to have had such a rewarding and satisfying four years at Cleveland School.

If you are planning on moving out of the Cleveland School district this summer, please let us know at your earliest convenience. This will help expedite the transferring of records to your child's new school.

We have accumulated quite a large volume of lost items this year at Cleveland—our "Lost and Found" is full of coats, jackets, shirts, hats, and other lost items. If your child has lost something this year, please stop by and visit our lost and found—you may be able to retrieve misplaced items! We will hold all lost and found articles of clothing until the last day of school, and then they will be donated to local Norwood shelters.

Special thanks to our PTA for hosting a fantastic luncheon for Cleveland staff on Thursday, May 30th. What a delicious treat that was! Staff raved about the scrumptious food items and desserts—salads, sandwiches, desserts —YUM! Thank you, PTA!

Among our upcoming important dates, the Cleveland School field day is being held on Friday, June 7th. I would like to thank Miss Worcester for all of her hard work in organizing and coordinating this monumental effort for Cleveland students. If you are interested in assisting with this special event, please contact Miss Worcester at Cleveland. Volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated!

I would like to extend my sincerest congratulations to Paula McMullen, our Cleveland School library teacher who was nominated for Norwood Public Schools Teacher of the Year! This prestigious nomination is well deserved. Special thanks to Ms. Lariviere for her hard work on the upcoming fifth grade musical. This production will be amazing—I know that fifth grade students will put on a spectacular performance-they have been practicing and working hard for months! Show date is June 11th at 7:00 PM.

Our last day of school will be Monday, June 25th. Dismissal will be at 12:00. No lunch will be served.

Have an excellent summer and see you the fall!

Scott Williams, Principal

# Important Phone Numbers

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For the last few busy weeks of school, be sure to apply sun block, provide hats (and drinks) for the school day so your child may be protected and comfortable in the warmer weather.

- **CLASS TRIPS**: If your student is attending a class trip AND has a medication order at school, we still need a signed medication delegation form. A form has been sent home. This form will give permission to administer medicine to your child on their day away from the school. These forms should be returned to the nurse's office as soon as possible.
- **TLC LIST:** This is a confidential list of students that have medical issues. This list is given to the staff on a need to know basis. Please sign the TLC form and return to the school. It is important that this information be available to staff BEFORE students return to school in the fall. By signing and returning signed TLC forms, I can compile and have this list ready when we return to school in the fall. If you have any questions or concerns please call Mrs. Abely at 781-440-5953.
- **MEDICATION FORMS**: Forms will be sent home to remind parents to pick up their child's medication in the nurse's office on the last days of school 6/24/13 and 6/25/13. Any medication that is not picked up will be discarded. Medication forms for next year will be available in the nurse's office, or you can download them from the NPS website. Please have your child's doctor fill out orders, which you will need to sign. In order to comply with the Norwood Public Schools Policy; all medications (even over the counter medication) must have a doctor's orders. My fax number directly to the nurse's office is 781-551-2718.
- 4<sup>th</sup> **GRADE PHYSICALS**: ALL 4<sup>th</sup> graders and new students are required to send a physical to the nurse's office by October 1<sup>st</sup> 2013. The physical should be performed within the last year between September 2012 and September 2013. Have a safe, restful summer!

### *Cleveland School Important Dates*

- June 5th: Willet School Step Up/Cleveland Visit Day; "Go Live" Day with new NPS Food Services Payment Program
- June 6th: Second Grade Field Trip, Southwick Zoo, Mendon
- June 7th: Cleveland School Field Day
- June 10th—12th: Cleveland School Book Fair
- June 11th: Fifth Grade Musical
- June 12th: Fifth Grade Field Trip, Newton History Museum
- June 13th: Fourth Grade Field Trip, New England Aquarium
- June 14th: First Grade Field Trip, Discovery Museum, Acton
- June 14th: Fifth Grade Field Day, Oldham School
- June 19th: Fifth Grade Celebration
- June 21st: Vocabulary Day Parade
- June 24th: Drop Everything and Read Day; Cleveland School Awards Ceremony
- June 25th: Last Day Of School, 12:00 Dismissal, No Lunch.

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# Fifth Grade Activities

Things are cruising along in 5th grade! As the students are gearing up for the middle school, we have many exciting upcoming events. It starts off the first week of June.

Mrs. Barry's class has been practicing very hard for their play, "Colonies to Country". They will be presenting to the 4th and 5th graders and their parents. Good luck!

Miss Worcester has been preparing the 5th graders for the upcoming Field Day at the Oldham Elementary School on June 14th. This day is alot of fun and gives the students an opportunity to meet the other Norwood 5th graders.

Mark your calendar— come on down to the cafeteria on June 11th! Thanks to Ms. Lariviere the students are well versed in the musical, "Alice in Wonderland". They will be performing for the whole school in the morning and for their parents that evening. Break a leg!

Wednesday June 12th, the fifth graders will venture to Newton to the Jackson Homestead and Museum. Maps, music, and primary documents will be used along with hands-on activities to bring the history of the Underground Railroad to life. These programs integrate well with studies of slavery, abolition, race relations, migration, and local history.

The students will then get to celebrate their time at the Cleveland on Thursday, June 19th. They will receive their diplomas in the morning. Afterwards, the PTA will be hosting a picnic with some fun activities. On the last day of school, June 25th, the students will be receiving their yearbooks! Congratulations fifth graders!

# Odds and Ends: PTA News, Kindergarten Visit, Scholarship Winners, Library Books

It's time for the Cleveland School Scholastic BOGO Book Fair! Stock up on summer reading for the family at the buy-one-get-one free book fair. The fair will run 8:30—3:30 on Monday, June 10th through Wednesday, June 12th. There will also be special night hours on Tuesday June 11th from 5:00—7:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to help make this event a success! Look in your child's backpack for information on volunteering, or contact Kathy Keady at kathma@verizon.net.

Please return all outstanding library books by the last day of school, June, 25th.

The Willet Early Childhood Center kindergarteners will be visiting Cleveland School on Wednesday, June 5th for step up day! Our 2013-2014 first grade class will be welcomed in our gymnasium, and given a tour of the Cleveland facility by Mr. Williams. We are excited for the newest members of our Cleveland Comet student body, and look forward to their arrival in September! XX Celeste—Scholarship Winners

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## Morrill Memorial Library Summer Reading Program; Cleveland Book Swap

"It's almost that time of year – time to curl up in the shade of a favorite tree and read a wonderful book! "Dig into Reading" is the theme of the 2013 Summer Reading Program sponsored by the Morrill Memorial Library. We hope that all Cleveland students currently in grades 1-4 will participate in this terrific program. The Norwood Public Schools library teachers and the children's librarians at the Morrill Memorial Library have created a list of exciting new books available at the Morrill Memorial Library for you to check out during those long summer months. Remember, these books are just a sample of the wonderful books waiting for you at the public library. The Morrill Memorial Library has also lined up some fabulous activities that you can also enjoy. During the last week of school, look for a notice to come home with the oldest child in your family that will be returning to the Cleveland next year.

Submitted by Mrs. McMullen, library teacher

#### Cleveland School Book Swap

The Cleveland School will be sponsoring its first annual Book Swap this June! We are highlighting the importance, and fun, of summer reading by encouraging each student to bring in one gently used book that can be exchanged for a different book that students can keep and enjoy over the summer. Please have your child bring in one book on the day he/she borrows library books, from June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup>. Students will receive a coupon for their book which they will "spend" on another book during library class the following week, from June 11<sup>th</sup> through June 14<sup>th</sup>. Perhaps your student can exchange books with friends over the summer, too! Look for information to come home about the Book Swap and the summer reading initiative. Happy reading! Submitted by Mrs. McMullen, library teacher, and Ms. Galvin, reading teacher

#### Cleveland School Performing Arts Update

Congratulations to all of the Cleveland School musicians! The Cleveland School Instrumental Concert was held on April 30th and was a huge success! We are so proud of the Orchestra, Beginner Band, Advanced Band, and Third Grade Recorder Ensemble. We are very lucky to have such talented and hard working students. Well done!

The Cleveland School 5th Grade Musical will be held at 7:00 PM on June 11. Please join us in the auditorium for an amazing performance of Alice in Wonderland. The kids have been working very hard and will be sure to dazzle you with their great singing, dancing and acting!

# Second Grade Cares

Last month, the second graders focused on poetry units in writing. They each picked one poem to share and give to the residents at both the Charwell Nursing Home and Sunrise Assisted Living. The second grade students visited with the residents, shared their poems and had some nice conversations with them. The students received compliments from the staff, residents and teachers on their amazing social skills and manners during their visit. The residents loved sharing life events and stories with our second graders and seeing their smiling faces.

# Vocabulary Day Parade

The Cleveland's School's annual Vocabulary Day Parade will take place on Friday, June 15th. Students will parade around the Cleveland School displaying interesting words and definitions. You are welcome to come and observe the 10-15 minute event. The parade typically starts at 9:15 a.m.

## Drop Everything And Read!

Get your books and blankets ready! We will be celebrating our annual Drop Everything and Read Day on Monday, June 24th. DEAR Day is an opportunity for students, staff and families to read together. Weather permitting, we will take our reading outside and enjoy a Reading-Only Zone beginning at 9:45 a.m. For 30 minutes, the Cleveland community will all be reading. Please note, there is limited parking.

#### Cleveland Supports One Fund Boston!

Students and staff raised \$680.00 for *One Fund Boston* and showed their Boston pride by wearing "Boston Strong" ribbons and dressing in their favorite Boston team t-shirts! Thank you for supporting the victims of the Boston Marathon tragedy and first responders!

Congratulations Cleveland School Scholarship Winners!

The Cleveland School Scholarship Committee has selected their annual scholarship winters. Congratulations to: **Jennifer Rossman**, The William P. Kenny Scholarship; **Eric Muller**, The Frederick A. Cleveland School Graduate Award; **Christopher Little**, The Frederick A. Cleveland School Graduate Award; and **Courtney Fernandes**, The Volunteer Citizenship Graduate Award. Well done one and all!