

November, 2016



# CENTER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Ms. Lora Monachino, Principal

## Dates to Remember

### November

- 4 Mid-Term Reports issued.
- 6 Daylight Savings Time.
- 8 Professional Development—NO SCHOOL
- 9 PTO Meeting—7:15pm
- 11 Veterans' Day - NO SCHOOL
- 15 School Council Meeting—3:45PM
- 15 & 16 Picture retakes
- 14 - 18 American Education Week
- 23 Early Release Day
- 25 & 15 Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL



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We want to thank the Abington Fire Department for their visits on October 18th and 19th for fire safety week. They met with all the students and showed them how and what to do to be safe if there is a fire and they also had a chance to see the fire truck and ring the bell!

## REMINDERS:

Most of our notices for early release days and other events are sent to you via email. If you have not already provided your email address and would like to receive information this way, you can call our office to arrange this. If you have provided your email address and have not been receiving notices, please call the office so this can be checked.

If your child was absent from school and missed picture day, Lifetouch will be in on November 15 and 16, 2016. If you wish to have your child's picture retaken, simply return the whole packet.

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Facebook—Center School APS

Twitter—@centerschoolaps



## The Nurse's Corner



Many thanks to the PTO for providing the funding that enabled the Center School students to see the presentation performed by Mr. Kyle Dine the allergy guy. Mr. Dine was well received. Center School students learned valuable information on how to help a friend who has a life threatening allergy.



My thanks also go out to the Lion's Club, who helped perform the vision screening on our students this year. If your son/daughter failed the vision screening a note was sent home requiring follow up need by your MD.

Please send in follow up paperwork regarding this appointment to the nurse.



Abington Lions Club

Massachusetts - United States

As a reminder, we do need a phone call every day your child is absent from school and a note upon their return. We are asking that you call the office directly or leave a message on the school answering machine which is available 24/7. Please do not email the classroom teacher that your child is going to be absent.

Thank you for helping keep our school healthy!

Debra Ambrose RN, RTR, BSN, NCSN

Parent Teacher Organization

The PTO had its meeting on Wednesday, October 12, 2016. Topics covered were: Box Top deadlines; pie fundraiser update and volunteers; Bucket Shirt orders; Halloween pumpkins and decorating supplies; Winter Wonderland Party, Holiday shopping, and fundraiser at Pottery Place.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 7:15 PM. Parent participation is always welcome and encouraged.

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School Council

School Council held its first meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 3:45PM. The School Improvement Plan process was discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 3:45PM. We strongly encourage and welcome parent involvement.

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Veterans' Day

On November 10, 2016 Kindergarten students will be presenting a Veterans' Day program at 1:00pm. Check your child's folder for more details.

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Abington Public Schools

Textile Recycling Program

Donate your unwanted textiles to support the Abington schools. This includes any clothing, torn items, single shoes and socks, stuffed animals and more. We accept the good, bad and ugly. Donated items are accepted in any condition as long as they are clean and dry. Did you know...6% of America's trash is textile material? In Abington that amounts to 300 tons or \$19,800.00. Abington Public Schools has partnered with Bay State Tex-tiles to bring textile recycle bins into every public schoolyard in town. The white recycle bins are available 24/7 and proceeds from the collection of textiles benefit the PTO of that school. Bay State Tex-tiles offers a \$100 per ton rebate on textiles collected. A white bin is located at our school in the back parking lot.

REMEMBER: IN ANY CONDITION, 95% OF ALL TEXTILES CAN BE RECYCLED OR REUSED.



DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR AT **2:00 AM** ON SUNDAY MORNING **NOVEMBER 6, 2016.**

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**November is Literacy Month!**

Visit:

[www.reachoutandread.org/parents/reading\\_aloud](http://www.reachoutandread.org/parents/reading_aloud).

See below for our literacy challenge.

**The Center School Literacy Challenge**

Attached to this Newsletter is a calendar. On the days that you read to your child, place your initials in the correct day. **At the end of the month, send in the calendar to the office.** All participants in the Literacy Challenge will have their names published in our Newsletter. Be sure to include your top book pick so that we can add it to **The Center School Readers' Choice List.**

Friendship Groups

Jessica DiRusso and MaryKate LoPresti, our Interns from North River Collaborative (NRC) are beginning to set up friendship groups. You will receive a call or letter from either Jessica or MaryKate if they would like to include your child in one of these opportunities.



**“Give a little love to a child, and you get a great deal back.”**

**John Ruskin**