TIGER TALES



October 19, 2018

DONATIONS NEEDED

PTA needs your help with donations to fill the baskets for the basket raffle. Please see page 4 of this week's newsletter for more details!!

Picture Retake Day

Picture Retake Day will be Tuesday, October 23



If you want your child's picture re-taken please return their packet of pictures on retake day. Please include a note explaining what you didn't like so the photographer will know why you want the picture retaken.

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SPORTS THIS WEEK
SOCCER

October 22 home vs. Waynflete Boys at 3:45pm / Girls at 5:00pm

October 23 home vs. Sacopee Boys at 4:00pm

October 24 home vs. Sacopee Girls at 3:30pm & 5:00pm

Staff/Student Soccer Game October 19 at 3:30pm

FALL AWARDS NIGHT November 1 at 6:30pm



It's Book Fair Time!!

Our semi-annual PTA Scholastic Book Fair is coming up.

 Monday, October 22
 9:00am - 7:00pm

 Tuesday, October 23
 9:00am - 7:00pm

 Wednesday, October 24
 2:30pm - 7:00pm

 Thursday, October 25
 2:30pm - 7:00pm

 Friday, October 26
 2:30pm - 5:00pm

 Saturday, October 27
 3:00pm - 5:00pm

We hope you will take this opportunity to get some great books and support the PTA in their efforts to fund programs here at DCS including field work and enrichment opportunities for all grade levels.

If you are interested in helping with the book fair please email Hilary at durhammepta@gmail.com

E-Waste Wanted!

Our STEM class is seeking old or broken electronics for a middle school take-apart project. Items sought include anything battery-powered (tape recorders/players, CD players, electronic toys, remote controls, etc.) or items such as DVD players, computer monitors, phones, or tablets. Donations can be put in the box outside of the STEM lab. Contact Ms. Hewes at hewesn@rsu5.org with any questions.

Outing Club

for grades 5-8

Bowling at Yankee Lanes

November 6

Departure: 3:15pm / Bus return arrival: 6:30pm

Activity fee: \$13.00 per person

Equipment necessary: comfortable clothes

Please return permission slip and money to school by Friday, November 2.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS! Come support undefeated Freeport Middle School Football verses Yarmouth/Greely. The traditional "Battle of the Bay" game will be held

Friday, Oct. 19 at 6 pm at the High School Turf Field.

Full festivities such as concession stand and grill will be up and running. Please bring lots of school spirit and support our team!

There will be an entrance fee of \$3 per adult and \$1 per student.

FLU CLINIC

Our next scheduled flu clinic for RSU5 students, families and employees is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14th 3:30-6:30 pm at Freeport High School cafeteria. More information and forms will be provided as the date gets closer.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email me anytime.

Thank you, Kim Gormely, DCS School Nurse

The Freeport, Pownal and Durham Education Foundation (FPaD5) is excited to invite you to our biggest fundraiser of the year- Fright Night at the Grange. This is an adult-only Halloween Party boasting food, music and fun! So don your scariest/ funniest/ most original costume and get ready to have a great time- all while supporting educational excellence for students in RSU5!

Where?- Freeport Harraseeket Grange
When?- October 20, 6:30-11:30pm
What?- DJ, light dinner fare (included in price
of ticket), cash bar, silent auction costume
contest

For tickets click on the following link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fright-night-at-the-grange-tickets-49686305076

The Freeport, Pownal and Durham Education Foundation is an independent, 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to enriching the educational experience of the students in RSU5. www.FPaD5.org



Fall Baseball Clinic, Grades 3-6

Join FHS Varsity Baseball Coach Bill Ridge in these hour and a half sessions and work on specific skills needed to become quality baseball players. The skills and drills offered relate to proper pitching, hitting, and fielding mechanics. We will focus on getting as many repetitions as possible while keeping a focus on proper technique and fundamentals. Clinic staff will include members of the FHS team. Six Sunday morning sessions running from Nov. 4 through Dec. 16. To register, visit *rsu5-rce.org* or call 865-6171.



*** Freeport Ski Swap & Sale coming soon...mark your calendars ****

It's always a good idea to get a jump on your gear situation at the beginning of every season. So take an inventory of what you have, make a list of what you need, and join us at the Freeport Ski Boosters Annual Ski Swap & Sale!

We've again partnered with Sport Thoma – 5 times voted a Ski Magazine "Top 50 Ski Shops in the USA", and added some new vendors such as the Cross Country Specialists - Akers Ski, and the snowboard gurus from Long's Board Shop to bring you a HUGE selection of new and used equipment, gear, and accessories.

So join us **Saturday**, **November 3rd from 9:30am-12:30pm** at the Freeport High School Gym and get your winter gear now while prices are low and choices are plentiful. It doesn't matter if it's jackets, goggles, boots, boards, or skis, we'll have it all, and at awesome prices...

See you on 11/3/2018!

Donations & Consignments gladly accepted – drop off items Friday, November 2nd from 4:00pm – 8:00pm or Saturday, November 3rd 7:30am – 9:00 am at Freeport High School.

FMI Email: SomeDude@FreeportSkiSwap.com



The club will have their first meeting on October 29th

Location: DCS Room 103 & The Tiger Paw Adventure Course

Who: Students K-2 & Middle School Helpers Needed

When: October 29th, November 5, November 19, & November 26th

Time: 3:15-4:30

What: Ropes course and adventure activities that promote team building, self-esteem, and perseverance. Yoga and mindfulness will be incorporated into the adventure course experience. For safety reasons please always wear sneakers to meetings and dress appropriately for the weather.

To sign up please e-mail Mrs. Triggiani at triggianil@rsu5.og
*Other sessions will be offered throughout the year for different grade levels!

Important Information about the Ropes Course for all DCS Families

The ropes course at DCS is located in the woods behind the school. The elements were installed over the past 5 years with funding through L.L.Bean Aspirations grants and through the school budget. The PTA generously donates money each year to have the course inspected. The course has been used as part of guidance, JMG, and physical education curriculums. To ensure the safety of all students the elements are to only be used with trained staff. The elements are not to be used as playground equipment and not available for use after school hours. The elements may be used for organized groups after school hours with trained staff.

If you have any questions, please call 353-9333 or e-mail <u>triggianil@rsu5.org</u>

Ropes Course Coordinator: Lexie Triggiani



GREEN TEAM

It's time to sign up for the Green Team!
Green Team is open to students in grades
2 through 6 who are excited to learn more
about protecting our planet and it's
resources through a variety of exciting
projects. Green Team will meet on
Tuesdays from 3:15 to 4:15 beginning
Tuesday, October 30th. Interested
students should pick up a sign up form
from Ms. Shoukimas in the art room!





As many of you already know, our Durham PTA funds about \$12,000 worth of enrichment activities for our kids each year. These activities include field trips, grant requests for items teachers need in their classrooms, art and P.E. supplies, and instruments for the school.

We are holding a basket raffle to help raise some of the funds needed for these programs. The Raffle will be held during Treat Street which occurs on October 27th, 2018 from 3pm to 5pm (you do not need to be present to win).

What are we looking for?

We are looking for donations of items that can be incorporated into the theme for your child's grade level. The donations should be something a child of that age would enjoy or a gift card for a place or event your child would enjoy.

Preschool – Arts and Crafts (coloring books, paints, crayons, clay, paint brushes etc.)

Kindergarten – Snow Days (snacks, books, games, snowball makers, etc.)

1st grade – Yard games (Frisbees, soccer balls, footballs, jump ropes, chalks, etc.)

2nd grade – Family Game Night (Legos, board games, card games etc.)

3rd grade – Baking/Cooking (pans, spoons, cookbooks, ingredients, baking cups, decorations etc.)

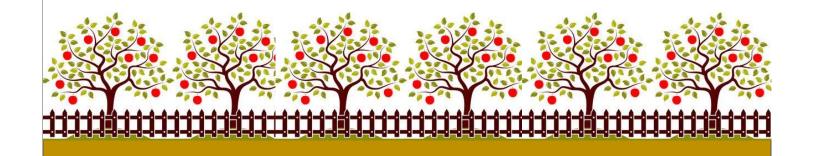
4th grade – Movie night (movie passes, popcorn, DVD's, travel pillows, etc.)

5th - 8th grade – Gift Cards (Starbucks, Hannaford, Home Depot, Target, basically anywhere.)

If you would like to donate an item, please have it delivered to your child's classroom by the end of day on **October 19th, 2018**. This will allow us to put the baskets together for Treat Street and get them displayed for the raffle.

Thank you for helping to ensure our kids have great enrichment activities this year!

Sincerely, The Durham PTA





Annual PTA Halloween Party

BOO! It's that time of year again, for the ghosts and goblins to walk the halls of Durham Community School!

The ghoulish annual PTA Halloween Party will take place on **Saturday**, **October 27th from 3-5 pm**.

Last year we had over 400 students attend!

From 3-4pm all the tricksters can parade down Treat Street (please bring your own Halloween bag) collecting treats. From 4pm – 5pm, there will be a costume contest (pre K-K, Grades 1-2, and Grades 3-4), and door decorating contest.

We need lots of candy or treats for our little ghosts and goblins! If you could donate a bag or two, it would be greatly appreciated! Penny, the Pumpkin, is in the foyer by the gym and is hungry for treats.

The PTA could not sponsor this safe event without your help! Please consider helping in one of the following ways:

If you are able to help with this very popular annual community event that is sponsored by the DCS PTA please send an email Kim at ksimoneau05@gmail.com or signup through our on-line sign-up through our Facebook page.

Thank you, Durham PTA



Middle School Halloween Dance

Friday, October 19th 6 pm to 8:30 pm \$5.00 admission cost

Costume contest
Raffle Photo



SCHOOL YEARBOOK



Attention 8th Grade Parents:

The Yearbook staff is collecting parent messages to be included in this year's book. This is optional and if you decide to include a message for your 8th grade student, the cost is \$5.00. The deadline is March 30th and you can send your message and payment (checks can be made out to Durham Community School or DCS) into the office. Thank You



Order forms are now available for the 2018 ~
2019 Middle School Yearbook. Grades 5
through 8 are featured in this publication.
The order forms are located on the top of the trash receptacle near the office. The cost for a standard book is \$20.00 and you can send your order form in to the office with cash or check, made out to Durham Community School or DCS.

Or you can order online at:

YBPAY.LIFETOUCH.COM

Yearbook ID Code: 12339819





Attention 8th Grade Parents:

The Yearbook staff is collecting baby pictures for this year's publication. If you have a digital copy, please email it to: kimber1572@gmail.com and if you have a photo that needs to be scanned, just drop off the photo at the office and make sure that the students name is included with the photo. We will return it to you as soon as we have scanned the image and uploaded it to the publication.

Thank You

Deadline is: February 27, 2019