

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
NEWSLETTER
MONDAY, MAY 31, 2010– FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010
<http://www.btschools.org>**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations to the girls' softball and the boys' baseball teams for working hard this season and representing Bethlehem Township. Thanks also to the coaches, parents, and Mr. Wark who also provided great support to the students. They were recognized this week at the spring Sports Banquet. I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Brotzman for being selected to be the County Middle School Athletic Director.

Congratulations to 8th graders Krystal Cyphers, Amelia Edwards, and Allison Lane for ranking second place in the Stock Market Game in the Northern Middle School Region Competition and ranking fourth place in the State Competition. They will be attending a Recognition/Awards ceremony on June 8 in Jersey City.

The math curriculum is now posted on our website. You can find it on the curriculum page. For those of you who missed Mrs. Smith's comprehensive presentation at the last board meeting about how our curriculum is developed, you can also find her PowerPoint on the curriculum page. Also, the math survey for parents is available on our website. The survey can be found on the home page under Headlines.

This is a reminder that schools will be closed on Monday, May 31 for the Memorial Day holiday. Friday, June 11 will be an early dismissal for teacher in-service. As you look toward the end of school, the last day of school is June 24. The last two days of school, June 23 and 24 are half days and June 24 is graduation.

Have a wonderful holiday weekend! Enjoy the nice weather.

**Nancy Lubarsky
Superintendent**

DISTRICT NEWS

Return to School Note for Influenza (flu) Like Illness:

During a pandemic period when increased illness may be occurring, school procedures requiring doctor's notes for influenza-like-illness can place an inappropriate burden on the local healthcare system. The Health Department and the County Superintendent of Schools Office are strongly recommending that all school districts in Hunterdon County use the attached Return to School Note for Influenza (Flu) Like Illness. Having a parent/guardian sign the attached note instead of a note from the doctor, which also requires verification from the school nurse, will eliminate an undue burden on health care providers and help assure that returning students meet CDC recommendations. Your use of this note will contribute to providing a healthier learning environment and to keep healthcare resources available to those who are seriously ill.

Reminder: When calling a child out sick please include the child's symptoms and whether the child has a fever.

Substitute School Nurse Employment Opportunity

Substitute Nurses Needed for the Thomas B. Conley School and Ethel Hoppock Middle School. The substitute nurse rate is \$130.00 per day – Effective immediately. New Jersey RN License Required.

To apply - Please send, email or fax resume and a copy of nurse's license to:

Janice Festa, Human Resources Coordinator

940 Iron Bridge Road, Asbury NJ 08802.

Email address: jfesta@btschools.org Fax: 908-537-4309

HOPPOCK NEWS

Hoppock Art:

Please help the Hoppock Art classes by sending in your Styrofoam egg cartons to use as paint trays.

EMPTIES4CASH Fundraiser

Fundraise for the 8th grade and recycle at the same time. Whenever you or your family replace the ink cartridges in your printers, please send them to school in a Ziploc bag and deposit them in the green cardboard box near the office.

CONLEY NEWS

Birthday Books at Conley:

Donate a book to the library in honor of your birthday for just \$10.00. If interested have your child bring a check made out to BTPTA (or cash) to Ms. Bjerre. First, pick out a birthday book from the birthday box. Be the first to check out your book. Take the book home and sign your name and date of birth on the book plate. Please return to the library for others to read and enjoy. Any questions call Maria Cannillo at 479-9830.

PTA NEWS

Tyson Project A+ Label Collection Program:

Our school is taking part in a fundraising program sponsored by Tyson Foods, Inc. called Tyson Project A+. Start clipping & saving labels. Each label submitted is worth 24 cents! Through this program, our PTA has the opportunity to raise as much as \$12,000 this year! For more information on which labels to clip, visit <http://ProjectAPlus.tyson.com> or contact Ellen Clinebell at qponhunt@embarqmail.com. A collection box is located across from the main office at Conley or you may submit the labels to Ellen Clinebell c/o Becky Clinebell 8P at Hoppock.

Box Tops:

Please continue to be part of this successful and easy fundraiser! Our next contest, for the most family amount, will run from now until next October. Keep Clipping! Any questions? Contact Tricia Morris at morris5@comcast.net or 735-4521

SCOUTING

Pack 191 Uniform Purchase Program. Get ready for September scouting now and save big \$! Don't pay retail for scout gear. Together we can raise some \$ for the Pack and give you the opportunity to purchase scout items at incredibly low prices. Simply bring your unwanted scout items (shirts, books, pants, etc) to the next Pack meeting. We will sell donated items back to Pack families at great prices. For more information contact Tammy Williams at 908-303-2279 or tammy.s.williams@comcast.net.

Girl Scout Troop 832

The girls will be collecting items for the Hunterdon Humane Animal Shelter as part of their Silver Award Project. Collection will start on Tuesday, May 18 at both Conley and Hoppock. The following items are needed: Dog, Cat and Kitten Food (Canned/Dry); Kitty Litter (Regular); Cat and Dog Toys; Dog Treats; Dog Beds; Small Blankets for Cat Cages; Laundry Detergent; Windex; Paper Plates; Paper Towels; Sponges (Scotch-Brite); Tall Kitchen Bags; Heavy Duty Garbage Bags (35 gallon or larger) Please contribute to this worthy cause.

Cub Scout Pack 191:

Spring overnight camping adventure- June 12-13 (11th is optional) at Round Valley Youth Center. Details to follow. Other district events can be found at <http://www.pahaquarra.org/Events.htm> including: Fishing Derby- Saturday, June 26, at Yards Creek

As always, please see our website <http://www5.packsonline.com/NJ/191>

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP RECREATION NEWS

No 2010-2011 Basketball Season:

No Basketball Season for 2010-2011 - Commissioner is resigning. Someone needs to step up by September 1, 2010 or there will not be any winter basketball. Please contact Martin Auger at martin.j.auger@sanofi-aventis.com or come to the monthly recreation meetings.

Flag football:

Season will run June 26th through August 14th. All practice and games will take place Saturday mornings. Format will include passing, running, blocking and kicking. Registration forms can be found online <http://www.freewebs.com/btrec/flagfootball.htm>. Please email Paul DeAngelo at paul.deangelo1@gmail.com for registration instructions or questions.

Recreation Committee:

Meetings are the 1st Wednesday of every month, at 7:30pm, Community Center on Mine Road. Open to all, more members, more activities. Sports for adults and kids, exercise classes, senior activities, bus trips. Be part of the fun and planning.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Jugtown Mountain Nursery School:

There are openings in all sessions for the 2010-2011 school year and in our 6 week summer program. The nursery school is located in Room 118K in the Conley School. 2 and ½ hour preschool sessions are available for 3 and 4 year olds. A wrap around program for AM or PM Kindergarten students is also available. Please call Mary Monahan at 908-537-2929 for more information or stop in and visit us in Room 118K.

Soccer League:

Anyone in 8th grade or older (high school age) who would be interested in playing in a co-ed recreational soccer league this fall, please contact Lisa McCoy at realmccoys1@comcast.net. We would like to form a high school recreational league, but need to know immediately how many would be interested in participating. Please email me your name and age.

Openings In Polytech Summer Camp Programs:

Registrations are still being accepted for the (3) summer camp programs at Polytech: EXCITE (8 different career camps for students entering 8th and 9th grades this fall), Teacher Time (freshman – juniors) and summer HEAT (sophomores). Information can be found at the school's website home page at www.hcpolytech.org or by calling 284-1444 Ext. 37.

Summer Drama Camp 2010

The Bethlehem Township Performing Arts Association is again holding a summer drama camp Monday through Friday from 9:00 – 1:30 p.m. on the following weeks. Session I, will run from July 5 - July 16 for grades 4 - 6 and Session II, from July 19 - July 30 for grades 7 - 12. Registration forms and more information can be found on their website www.btpaa.org.

Bethlehem Township Parent-Tot Time:

Come sing, dance, rhyme and listen to stories with Gail Coe former Conley Kindergarten Teacher. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month (6/16). Children from birth to four and their parents are invited to attend. Please share this information with your Bethlehem Township neighbors. For more information contact Gail Coe at 537-2525 or gailcoe@comcast.net.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon. May 31	No School Memorial Day	
Tues. June 1	Progress Report Slips are Due back to School	Hoppock
Fri. June 4	8th Grade Banquet	Hunterdon Hills Playhouse
Fri. June 11	Early Dismissal Teacher In-Service	Hoppock 12:00 p.m. Conley 12:50 p.m.
Tues. June 22	B.O.E. Meeting Conley Music Room	Executive Session 7 pm, Public Session 8 pm
Wed. June 23	Early Dismissal	Hoppock 12:00 p.m. Conley 12:50 p.m.
Thurs. June 24	Early Dismissal Last Day of School	Hoppock 12:00 p.m. Conley 12:50 p.m.
Thurs. June 24	8 th Grade Graduation	Conley School 7:00 p.m.