

APRIL

April 01 - 03 and 09: MCAS - ELA

April 04: Dungeons and Dragons - 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

April 04: Positive Discipline 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in library

April 05: PTO Spaghetti Dinner (More information to come.)

April 08: PTO Meeting at 3:30 p.m. in the library

April 11: School Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

April 15 - 19: SPRING BREAK

April 22: Classes resume

April 25: Positive Discipline 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in library

April 26: Preschool closed for screening and registration

April 26: Family Lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Last day of Preschool is June 14, 2019

Last day of School is now June 21, 2019.



Hello from Mrs. Hawthorne, the art teacher. I am so looking forward to Spring! I am already dreaming of getting outside to make art. The 5/6th grade class is working on a watercolor project to support the Home Grown initiative and they are studying herbs and vegetables that will soon be growing in our garden. March was Youth Art Month, celebrated around the country with art shows featuring the work of our young people. Here in Western Massachusetts, the Berkshire Museum in Pittsfield has hosted a Youth Art Month exhibit and several of R.H. Conwell students had their work displayed there for the entire month. Say congratulations to: Grace Sampson, Ella Overton, Cordelia Woodard, Lysander Woodard, Jackson Ricci, Indie Lewis, Addison Thomas, Luka Toth-Cahn, Caleb Kaleta, and Augustus Niswonger. The gallery opening on March 1 was a lot of fun and several students attended with families in tow. I have also arranged for the Worthington Library to show some of Conwell student's artwork during the month of May. I am excited to be able to showcase some of the wonderful work your children have been creating and to be able to give the students the experience of sharing their artwork.



School Committee Meetings: The School Committee holds their monthly meetings the second Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be on **April 11 at 6:30 p.m.** Meetings are held in the school cafeteria. All are invited to attend.

PTO NEWS: Next meeting is Monday, 4/08/19 at 3:30 p.m. We hope you can join us but if you can't you can still be a part of the PTO. Contact Jaime Ricci at jaimer Ricci@verizon.net

Scholastic Book Fair was a great success! Thank you to all the parents and family members that helped make this a special time for the students. PTO will have the total of sales in next weeks newsletter.

The Hilltown Community Health Centers will offer "Parents: The Positive Discipline Way," Thursday evenings for seven sessions. The next session is April 4 in the library from 5:00PM - 7:00PM.

Research has demonstrated the importance of social and emotional learning, even above academics. "Positive Discipline" parenting tools teach valuable social and life skills without using any form of punishment, rewards, praise, permissiveness and even logical consequences -- at least hardly ever.

The workshop is limited to 15 participants. The \$5 fee includes materials. To register, contact Kim Savery, Director of Programs and family support, at [413-685-3500](tel:413-685-3500) or ksavery@hchweb.org.

SAVINGS MAKES CENTS: Please send in those pennies and dollars! Mrs. Chase will be at the school each Thursday morning to collect deposits. We have some new goodies in the box!

Community Announcements

Community members are encouraged to forward their news and announcements to louellet@hr-k12.org Entries must be received by Friday at noon to be included in the following week's newsletter. Please include the words "newsletter entry" in the subject of your email.