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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

- Feb. 5 - FREE Family Movie Night, 7-8:30PM in the gym, Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs
- Feb. 7 - Phippsburg Sportsmen's Association Ice Fishing Derby
- Feb. 8 - Aviation Club, 3-5PM, Gr. 3-6 in PES library
- Feb. 9 - Mrs. Cummings' Girl Scouts Meeting at Phippsburg Sportsman's Club, 3-5PM, & Gr. 3-4 After School Nordic Ski program, 3-5PM
- Feb. 10 - Youth Tae Kwon Do in gym, 3-5PM, Tiger Cub/Wolf Cub meeting in Art Rm, 5:30PM, & PTO meeting, 6:30PM, in PES library
- Feb. 11 - Gr. 2-6 Talent Show, 1:30PM, & Outing Club, Gr. 6, 3-4:30PM
- Feb. 15-21 - February Break
- Feb. 22 - Aviation Club, 3-5PM, Gr. 3-6 in PES library, Troop 1568 Jr. Girl Scouts meet in Mrs. Card's Rm, & RSU1 Board Meeting, 6PM, at West Bath School
- Feb. 24 - Teamworks for Kids Music Night, 6-7PM
- Feb. 25 - Outing Club, Gr. 6, 3-4:30PM

**REMINDERS**

1. As a requirement of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, a **Home Language Survey** and **Maine Migrant Education Eligibility Survey** were sent home last week. Parents, please be sure to complete them and send them right back to the school, even if you completed one in the past. The forms are a little different than the previous years' ones, and we really appreciate your help. Thanks!
2. The next PTO meeting is Wednesday, February 10, at 6:30PM in the school library. Please join us!
3. The gr. 2-6 Talent Show will be Thursday, February 11, at 1:30PM in the PES gym. We hope you can join us!
4. February Vacation: February 15-21. School reopens Monday, February 22.

**HOMEWORK CLUB, GR. 3-6!**

We have an exciting opportunity for our students in grades 3-6! On Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 3-4 in the library, we will be having Homework Club. Homework Club is a chance for students to have a healthy snack and get their homework completed. Mr. Gabelmann and Mrs. Day will be on hand to provide assistance, if needed. It is also a chance for students to make up work they missed due to absence, get help with something they are having trouble with, or just a quiet place to get their work completed before heading home. If your child is interested in coming on Tuesdays, Thursdays or both, please send a note **in with the date you want them to start** (they can start right away), or contact your child's teacher and she will get you the permission slip and further information.

**PTO NEWS**

The PTO is planning to hold a fundraiser Spaghetti Supper on Friday, April 9, at 6PM, for school activities and any needed items. We will again have fun raffle baskets that students, parents and staff may contribute to, and we appreciate any contributions made. A note should be coming home soon letting you know which basket theme your child's class has chosen. Raffle information will be sent out late March. Thank you.

**"RSU 1 ALL-CHORAL CONCERT"**

Presented by Grades 4-12 Choruses  
Monday March 22, 2010  
6:30 p.m.  
Bath Middle School

**LOST AND FOUND**

Please be sure to check the Lost and Found area for anything you may have lost. Anything left after Feb. 12 will be donated to the Clothing Exchange, in Bath, during February Break.

**GO SHOPPING AND SUPPORT "HELP-A-KID"!**

For the week of mid-winter break, February 15-20, Now You're Cooking will donate a percentage of all sales to the RSU 1 "Help-A-Kid" fund. This fund is used to support after-school activities for RSU 1 students such as swimming, martial arts, art programs, music lessons and other extra-curricular activities.

During the week of the 15th-20th your purchase of cooking and kitchen supplies will also benefit children in our school district to keep busy after the school day. Please visit Now You're Cooking on Front Street in downtown Bath!

**FRUIT & VEGGIE CHALLENGE WINNERS**

Our winner for the month of January in the Fruit and Veggie Challenge is MS. HARKINS' CLASS! Congratulations! They will receive an extra recess at their convenience.

**YMCA BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL  
CHILDCARE AT PES**

Dear Families!  
Do you need Before and After-school care (known as Y Care) for the 2009/10 school year? Did you know the Bath Area Family YMCA offers care in the RSU#1 Schools? We also offer care during half/full days, vacation weeks and snow days (at the Bath Area Family YMCA)! If you are interested or in need of care, please contact Beth Waters of the Bath Area Family YMCA at (207) 443-4112 ext. 17, or Sabrina Murphy, at (207) 443-4112 ext. 29. Information and registration forms are also available at [www.bathymca.org](http://www.bathymca.org).  
**Scholarships are available.** Y'Care at PES meets in Room #1.

**PHIPPSBURG SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
11TH ANNUAL TAKE A KID ICE FISHING DERBY**

Sunday, February 7, 2010, Daylight - 4PM  
Phippsburg Waters Only  
Weigh in noon - 4PM  
***No Live Fish will be weighed in.***  
1st, 2nd & 3rd Prize for Bass, Brook Trout, Crappie, Pickerel, & White/Yellow Perch  
Door Prize - 1st- Power Ice Auger,  
2nd - \$100, 3rd - \$50  
Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5  
Phippsburg Sportsmen's Association is located at  
272 Main Rd., Phippsburg

**Applebee's to donate Mexican dinner to benefit Odyssey of the Mind again this year**

Bath Odyssey of the Mind will be hosting a Mexican dinner on **Friday, February 5, 2010 from 5:30 – 7:00 at the Fisher Mitchell School** with food donated by Applebee's. The menu will include chicken fajitas, steak fajitas, nachos, guacamole, Mexican rice and all the fixings. The cost will be \$5 per person. So spice up your life, shake off the winter blues and join us for a fun community evening. AND the first 50 children to purchase dinners at the Odyssey Mexican night (12 years old and younger) will get a free kids' meal coupon which can be used at Applebee's in Brunswick. Ole!

**LOCAL RESTAURANTS TO SUPPORT HELP-A-KID**

Local restaurants are participating in a great fundraiser to support Help-a-Kid, RSU 1's program to support after school activities for school-aged children. This program serves about 250 students in a variety of programs, including art, martial arts, basketball clinics, knitting, scrapbooking, gymnastics, YMCA memberships, the Skate Park and cheerleading. The intent has always been to make sure that no child goes home to an empty home if they lack the means or transportation to an activity of great value.

The restaurants are:

Beale Street Barbeque	JR Maxwell's
Byrne's Irish Pub	Mae's Cafe
Admiral Steak House	Kennebec Tavern
Solo Bistro	

Here is how it works. Every time a receipt is turned in from one of these restaurants to the school office, at the end of the school year, these receipts will be turned in to the restaurants for \$1.00 per receipt. This is such great news. It shows the great support this community has in supporting our children.

So, as you enjoy a breakfast, lunch, or dinner at one of these fine establishments, don't forget to save that receipt and turn it in to the school office.

**LLBEAN YOUTH WINTER ADVENTURES DAY CAMP**

L.L. Bean Youth Winter Adventures Day Camp: February 16-18, for children ages 8-12, will run for four hours each day (noon - 4 p.m.)

L.L. Bean Outdoor Discovery School experts will guide children in activities such as snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, GPS treasure hunts, knot tying, snow fort building, and animal track identification. There is a fee of \$95, and advanced registration is required. Call 1-888-llbean1 for more information, and registration.

**FAMILY FOCUS PRESENTS THE GREAT STEPHAN MAGIC SHOW**

Join the fun with magician, The Great Stephan, Friday, February 26 at 7:30PM, Morse High School, 826 High St. in Bath. Cost: \$10 each for the 1-hour MAGICAL stage show. For tickets or more info, call Sheila Youmans @ 207-386-1662.

**FREE Family Movie Night** - Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 pm. in the Phippsburg School Gym. Movie will be "**Cloudy with a chance of Meatballs**", rating is PG. Wear your pj's and bring a pillow/blanket to lay on the mats or bring your favorite beach chair. Popcorn and drink will be available for \$1.00.

**Red Cross Babysitting Course** - Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm in the Phippsburg School Library. This program is being taught by a certified American Red Cross instructor. Minimum of 6 students to hold class, maximum of 12 students for the class. Open to all 11-15 year olds. The fee is \$40.00 (that's a \$10 savings) per student. This includes class instruction, text, booklet with CD and certification. Students will also receive a Babysitter First Aid Kit FREE (\$10 value). You will need to bring snacks, drinks and a bag lunch. **This course is a \$20.00 savings to your child and is a very informative class. Class is full.** FMI call Joanne Wells 389-1835.

**Bowling** - Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 PM at Spare Time in Brunswick. Games are FREE to Phippsburg residents. Shoes are \$2.00. Call to reserve your lanes at 725-2963

**Roller-Skating** - Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-4 pm at Howard Sports, Rt 201 Topsham. FREE to Phippsburg residents. Rentals: Skates \$1.00, Blades \$2.00. Sign in at the door.

**FREE Family Open Swim** - Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 2-3 PM at the Bath Area Family YMCA. Open to all Phippsburg Residents and their guests. We will have use of both pools and the hot tub. Need to sign in at the front desk. **An adult must accompany children under the age of 16.** FMI contact Joanne Wells @389-1835 or e-mail: [tenacious6@suscom-maine.net](mailto:tenacious6@suscom-maine.net). **THIS IS A FREE FAMILY ACTIVITY!!!**

**Learn to Swim Program** - This is open to 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Starts Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> and runs until March 30<sup>th</sup>. The students will stay after school for snack and play and then board the bus to the Bath YMCA, do their lessons from 4:15 – 5:00 PM and then return back to the school approximately 5:30. If a parent wants to volunteer, your child can participate for free. Cost is \$25.00 per student and there are 20 spots. Contact Joanne FMI 389-1835.

**Body Sculpt Classes** - Next session will start February 23<sup>rd</sup> and run thru April 6<sup>th</sup>. Angela Clegg incorporates many forms of exercise for a full body experience for the beginner or advanced. Participants need to wear loose fitting clothes and should bring 2 – 8 lb weights (based on experience). Ages 16 and older welcome. Class size is limited to 18. The fee per session is \$24.00. FMI call Tina Talbot @522-6884 or e-mail: [threetalbots@suscom-maine.net](mailto:threetalbots@suscom-maine.net).

**Disney on Ice Presents "Finding Nemo"** Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, show time is 6 PM at the Cumberland County Civic Center. Come join the Rec. Department in this ocean sized adventure of "Finding Nemo". Bus will leave the school at 4:30 sharp. **Ticket prices are \$16.00 ea. And need to be paid by February 26<sup>th</sup>. Only 4 tickets left.** Contact Joanne @389-1835.