

# Haynes School Newsletter - March 7, 2017

## Co-Chairs March Newsletter

We've had a busy and successful school year thanks to our amazing volunteers and parent community! Bingo Night last week was a huge success and so much fun and a BIG thank you to the team of volunteers for your time and support!

As we move into "festival season," please consider volunteering with your child's class. It is a great way to get involved, meet other parents and see students in action. Signups can be found on the HOP website.

Here are upcoming events for March:

March 3-17 - Haynes Book Drive

March 8 - Chhandika: Kathak Dance of Northern India

March 8 - Early Release (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

March 9 - Physical Changes of Matter (Grade 5)

March 10 - Food Pantry

March 14 - Simple Machines (Grade 3)

March 15 - Early Release (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

March 16 - STEAM Carnival

March 21 - HOP General Meeting at 7:30pm

March 22 - Science Investigations (Grade 5)

March 29 - Japan Festival (Grade 1)

March 29 - Early Release (ILAP)

March 30 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night

As always, thank you for making our school a wonderful place for our children to learn and grow.

*Best, Mandy and Dayna*

## Odyssey Information for 4th Grade Parents

Dear Parents/Guardians of 4th-Graders:

Don't forget — Friday, March 10th is the deadline for Odyssey forms! This includes:

1. Odyssey Clothing Order Form – please note that the Youth Large hooded sweatshirt does \*not\* have the drawstrings that all the kids seem to want. If you order the YL, please put a sticky note on the order form telling us that you know this and it's okay with your child. Otherwise, we will contact you to make sure, since every year parents try to return the YL hoodies. Also note that the sweatpants run very large – please double-check the size measurements on the back of the form and make sure they will fit your child. Clothing order checks should be payable to “Town of Sudbury – Odyssey.”

2. Student Permission Form

3. Health Information Sheet (2 copies)

4. \$100 Deposit – checks should be made payable to “Sudbury Public Schools”

5. Potential Chaperone Forms (optional) – Interest in Chaperoning Form, CORI Form, and Confidentiality Statement

If you have misplaced your clothing order form or your parent packet with all the other forms, please go to the [Odyssey website](#) and download the forms you need. There is also a lot of additional information about the Odyssey program on the website.

Also, in order to attend Odyssey, each student must have an updated MD physical form dated no earlier than June 2016 on file in the health office. If not already on file, please send in your child's current physical to Mrs. Nigrelli by May 1, 2017.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions!

Thanks,

[Amy Tamilio](#), [Laurie Butson](#), [Natalie Massarotti](#) and [Kate Rosenbaum](#)

### **Friday a Food Pantry Collection Day!**

This Friday is Food Pantry Day at Haynes! Kids are encouraged to come dressed as your favorite character. It could be a movie character, a book character, anything! Keep an eye out for a flyer in backpacks later this week with all the current food pantry needs. Please see below for a list of the top ten most needed items. As always, thank you for your generosity! Haynes continues to make a positive difference in the community, with every item you send in!

Please keep sending in the brown paper bags, as those are always needed!

#1 Cereal (hot and cold)

#2 Canned Soup (except Tomato and Chicken Noodle). Preference for Cream of Mushroom soup, Progresso, Campbell's Chunky, Healthy Choice

#3 Pasta (all types, especially lasagna noodles. Whole wheat pasta not needed.)

#4 Canned vegetables (canned beets, spinach, asparagus, corn, mixed veggies, potatoes, yams. But, please NO green beans or carrots this month.)

#5 Canned beans (ALL types: baked beans, pinto beans, red kidney beans, great northern beans, cannellini beans, black beans, garbanzo beans.)

#6 Baking/dessert products (cake, brownie, muffin, fruity bread mixes, Jell-O, Jiffy mixes, olive/vegetable oil)

#7 Plastic sandwich bags!!! Plus, liquid hand soap & dish soap; aluminum foil & saran wrap

#8 Condiments (particularly mayo, ketchup, salad dressing, pickles, olives, salsa, etc.)

#9 Flavored rice and other packaged side dishes

#10 Tuna, Salmon, Sardines

### **5th Grade Family Volunteers Still Needed!**

There are still openings to volunteer for the **5th grade Science Investigations Festival on Wednesday, March 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.** There is NO science background needed to help with this festival. Still wondering if you are qualified? Take this quiz!

- would you enjoy seeing our kids in lab coats?
- do you use electricity?
- do you like liquids?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please click [here](#) to volunteer. For each activity, Holly Estes, Sudbury's Science Coordinator, will provide materials and guidance. We need many volunteers for a successful festival, so please join us and see how much fun science can be!

### **Order Your Haynes Yearbook Today!**

Class pictures, candid, teacher and staff photos, all the big school events, and school portraits of every student will be included in the yearbook to create a beautiful, full-color book of school memories. It's not just for 5th graders! Students of all ages get excited when they see themselves in the yearbook.

Can't remember if you have already ordered? Check the link [here](#) to see if your child's name is one it. Order [ONLINE](#) at the HOP Webstore or click [here](#) for a paper form. Questions? Contact [Kelly Pacific](#).

**Attention 5th grade parents!!** We need your photos for the 5th grade Memory pages! We would love any high resolution (non-iPhone) images you'd like to share from your 5th graders' years at Haynes!! Just email to [CariAnne Kreml](#).

### [SPS Annual Book Drive at Haynes](#)

Haynes will be participating in the annual Book Drive to benefit the Fitchburg Public Schools.

**This year's collection will be March 3rd-17th!** Collection bins will be in front of the Haynes Library beginning on March 3rd. Last year Haynes collected over 2,000 books to help SPS reach its goal of donating 10,000 books – let's collect even more this year! We have already pre-collected over 800 books to put to our tally. Let's aim BIG and try for 3,000 books for 2017!!!!

So, PLEASE look on your book shelves, your attic or your basement . . . ask your friends and neighbors to look . . . for new or gently used books that could help a child (pre-K to 8th grade) learn the joy of reading. (PLEASE NO TEXT BOOKS, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, or RELIGIOUS BOOKs but holiday books are ok.) The Red Raiders Lending Libraries of Fitchburg are grateful for your donations! For more details or if you want to donate your books before March 3rd, please contact [Roz Hawk](#).

### [STeAM Carnival, March 16th](#)

This year, the Science Fair is changing focus. Rather than being an evening to showcase experiments conducted at home, this will be a daytime event – a STEAM Carnival where all of Haynes students will join in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math focused exploration.

The STEAM Carnival will be held during the school day on **March 16th**. There will be: virtual and augmented reality stations where students will explore other times and places; obstacle courses to challenge the laws of physics; simple machines used to create Rube Goldberg devices; Stop action animation; Coding; Robotics, and more. A STEAM Carnival is a hands-on, immersive experience for students.

All students will rotate through many different experiences-some will also demonstrate and guide other students. We would love to have volunteers for the actual event itself, but **if you do not have time to come, please consider donating some of the consumables ( such as origami paper, straws, paper towel tubes, etc. ) or loaning items ( like drones, marble runs, and erector sets.)**

### [HOP General Meeting: Tuesday, March 21st](#)

Please join us on Tuesday evening, March 21st at 7:30 p.m.in the Haynes library for the third HOP General Meeting of the year. All parents and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. We hope to see you there!

### [HOP Nominating Committee](#)

Step right up to be part of shaping HOP's future. We will have four open HOP Board positions for the 2017-2018 school year, including HOP Co-Chair, Fundraising Co-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. We are in search of a Nominating Committee to help identify possible candidates for these positions. The

committee will meet once or twice in March and will aim to identify individuals who would work well in these roles.

Dayna Buckley and Alison Riquier will serve on this committee and are searching for three additional volunteers. Please contact Dayna or Alison if you are interested in helping.

### [Time for Another Box Tops Contest!](#)

It's March and that means it's time for another Box Tops Contest!

The class that collects the most box tops until March 31st will win extra gym time!

Contest rules:

- All box tops must either be in a zip loc plastic bag or on a collection sheet (insert link for collection sheet here).
- Box tops cannot be expired.
- Please make sure your name and teacher's name are clearly labeled so you get credit.
- Please place box tops in the Box Top mailbox at the front desk.

Good luck!

### [Important: Haynes MCAS 2.0 Schedule for Spring 2017](#)

**NOTE CHANGE for 5th Grade ELA** - NOW April 25th, 27th, and May 1st

Included below is the specific schedule for the upcoming MCAS test. These are the exact dates your child(ren) will be taking the exam. Please encourage your child to get sufficient rest the night before any test sessions, to eat breakfast, and to extend their best effort. Children should also be encouraged to bring a water bottle to school; hydration is a key to concentration. It is imperative that all children be in school during testing. Please try to avoid any appointments or trips that will prevent your child from attending school.

Grade/Test Session	Dates
Grade 3 MCAS: ELA	April 3rd, 4th, and 5th
Grade 3 MCAS: Math	May 3rd and 4th
Grade 4 MCAS: ELA	April 5th, 6th, and 7th
Grade 4 MCAS: Math	May 11th and 12th
Grade 5 MCAS: ELA	April 25th, 27th, and May 1st
Grade 5 MCAS: Math	May 8th and 9th
Grade 5 MCAS: Science, Technology, Engineering	May 16th and 17th

A hard copy of this letter was sent home on Friday, January 6th with your child. Thank you in advance for your support and encouragement during the testing.

Sincerely,

Sharon and Scott

\* This year, all Massachusetts students in 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be assessed using Computer-based Testing (CBT). In order to prepare our students for this testing, 4th grade students are participating in a keyboarding program from [www.TypingClub.com](http://www.TypingClub.com). All students have accounts and passwords. We encourage students to practice keyboarding at home to prepare for the writing portions of the test. If you have questions about accessing the website or account information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

<a href="#">Upcoming Events</a>	<a href="#">Community News</a>
3/8/17 - Chandikra - Traditional Kathak Dance and Stoyteller (@10:15am K-2 and 11:30am Grades 3-5)	<a href="#">LS Youth Lacrosse Spring Registration</a>
3/8/17 - Early Release (ILAP)	<a href="#">Sudbury Girls Softball Registration Open</a>
3/10/17 - Food Pantry Collection	<a href="#">Annual family and Friends Skating Social in Boston</a>
3/15/17 - Early Release (ILAP)	
<a href="#">3/16/17- STEaM Carnival</a>	
3/21/17 - HOP General Meeting 7:30pm	
<a href="#">3/22/17 - 5th Grade Science Investigations</a>	
<a href="#">3/29/17 - 1st Grade Japan Festival</a>	