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Join the Haynes Community for An Evening with the Artist

Haynes students had the great pleasure of creating original works of art with artist Giles Laroche. In January, he visited with Grades 3, 4 and 5 and earlier this month he returned and worked with grades K-2. He demonstrated his special artwork and book illustrations created with cut paper. Each grade level had a full day to work with Mr. Laroche and created a curriculum-related piece of art to share with the school.

On **Thursday evening, March 10, we would like to invite families to come and see the artwork.** Join us at **6:30 p.m. in the Haynes Library** for a short presentation by Mr. Laroche. Following that, you may visit the Haynes Art Gallery and get your books autographed. Still need to order books? You can do so at the [HOP webstore](#). Books will be delivered to classrooms.

This wonderful opportunity has been possible thanks to a SERF grant and HOP funding. Please check out Giles Laroche's [website](#).

We will be serving light refreshments on this special night. **Please [RSVP](#) by March 9 so that we may plan accordingly.** Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on March 10 at 6:30 p.m. for An Evening with the Artist!

Please Vote for the 2016 Spring Wish List

Thanks to your support and the success of our fundraising efforts, we will be able to cover our operating budget for the year, as well as put forth for your consideration and approval Wish List items totaling approximately \$5,700.

Over the past few months, the Haynes teachers and administration have very thoughtfully assembled this Wish List of items that will support student learning and the overall educational experience at Haynes. These items will be put to immediate use in the classrooms for the benefit of all children. Items on this list have been approved by the teachers, the Haynes administration, the HOP Board, as well as the SPS Superintendent.

Please review the [Spring 2016 Wish List](#) and vote your approval of HOP's purchase of these items.

We will have further details and will be voting on the Spring 2016 Wish List at the **HOP General Meeting being held on Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Library at Haynes.**

Please note that these items will be paid for with funds that have been raised in excess of our operating budget for this year. We do not anticipate having any additional wish list votes this school year.

You do not need to be present at the meeting in order to vote. You can send in a Proxy Vote by voting [ONLINE](#) no later than Tuesday, March 22nd at noon.

If you would like more detail or further information, please do not hesitate to contact [Mandy Sim](#) or [Molly Logan](#).

Thank you!
-The HOP Board

Food Pantry Collection Is This Friday, March 11th!

This **Friday, March 11th** is our next collection date for the Sudbury Food Pantry. **The theme is PJ Day.** Bring in items for the food pantry and come to school dressed in your comfy pajamas! February food drive, normally the lightest of the year because of vacation week, yielded 4,118 items of food and personal care products, an all-time record for a February collection. This is an increase of 24.71% over February 2015 and YTD we are up 14.81%. Please consider making a donation to the Food Pantry. Click [here](#) for a list of requested food items. Thank you for your support!

3rd Grade Colonial Festival - Save the Date for April 27th!

This year the **3rd grade Colonial Festival will be on Wednesday morning, April 27th.** Please mark the date on your calendars! Stay tuned for further details and volunteer sign-ups coming soon.

-2016 Colonial Festival Co-Chairs,
Maggie Walsh and Joanne Minassian

2nd Grade Mexico Festival - SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, May 4th!!

This year, the **2nd Grade Mexico Festival will take place on Wednesday morning, May 4th.** Please mark your calendars for this exciting event! Stay tuned for further details and volunteer sign-ups later this week!

-2016 Mexico Festival Co-Chairs,
Emily Amico and Jenn Stone

Volunteers Needed for 5th Grade Science Investigations Festival

The 5th grade **Science Investigations** festival will take place on **Wednesday, April 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.** This curriculum-based, stimulating festival marks the end of the grade-wide festival experience for our Haynes 5th graders.

Don't miss the chance to guide and observe your budding scientists as they explore these areas of science: Solid or Liquid; Journey Through the Solar System; Brilliant Light; Traveling Sounds; Generations of Traits; Rocks and Minerals; and It's Electric and Magnetic!

There is NO science background needed to help with this festival. We need many 5th grade parent/guardian volunteers to make this a successful festival for our 5th graders, so please [VOLUNTEER](#) today. Join us and see how much fun science can be!

Any questions, please contact [Candace Graff](#).

Thanks in advance for your help!

Annual Book Drive at Haynes

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

This year's collection will be **March 28th - April 8th 2016**.

Collection bins will be in front of the Haynes Library beginning on March 28th.

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!

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 okay.)

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 28th, please contact [Roz Hawk](#).

- The Community Service Committee

SPS/METCO Annual Frog Pond Skating Social - CANCELLED

Due to the warmer weather, the Frog Pond has cancelled all public skating for this season. Thank you to all those who were interested. We look forward to next year!

Upcoming Events

[Early Release \(Parent/Teacher Conferences\)](#)

March 9

[Physical Changes of Matter \(Grade 5\)](#)

March 10

[An Evening With Artist Giles Laroche](#)

Community News

[Goodnow Library Family Adventures in Reading: Mar. 5 - Apr. 16 \(Saturdays\)](#)

[LS Jamaica Jammin' Lotus Blossom Fundraiser: Mar. 8](#)

March 10

[Food Pantry Collection](#)

March 11

[Simple Machines \(Grade 3\)](#)

March 15

[Early Release \(Parent/Teacher Conferences\)](#)

March 16

[SPS/Jessica Minahan Parent Presentation on Anxiety](#)

March 16

[Brian Lies Visit \(Grade 2\)](#)

March 17

[Goodnow Library Mystery Authors Evening: Mar. 8](#)

[Curtis Theatre Troupe Presents "A Year with Frog and Toad": Mar. 10-13](#)

[Free Panel Discussion on Children's Issues: Mar. 11](#)

[Commonwealth Ballet Company's "The Nightingale": Mar. 12-13](#)

[Goodnow Library Children's Programs and Events Calendar](#)

[Spring Fling Family FUNdraiser: Apr. 2](#)

[MetroWest Youth Rugby Season Kickoff Clinic: Apr. 3](#)

[Bridges Together - Spring Into Summer Brunch & Bid: Apr. 3](#)

[Goodnow Library Presents - Personal Essay Writing for Adults: June 2, 9 and 16](#)

[Sudbury SEPAC Workshops and Social Events](#)

For more information, please visit www.HaynesPTO.org or contact us by email: HOP@HaynesPTO.org.