



Haynes
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Parents



Science Fair - Important Information for Participants

The **Science Fair** is this **Wednesday, February 12th!** Set-up begins at 5:30 p.m. **Please print and familiarize yourself** with the [2014 Science Fair Program](#) and the [2014 Science Fair Floor Plan](#). **Bring these documents with you on the night of the event.** We will have limited additional copies available that night.

Instructions for the Night of the Science Fair:

1. Find your child's project number in the Program under your child's grade (if siblings are working together, the project number will be under your youngest child's grade).
2. Locate your table on the Floor Plan.
3. Proceed to your table.
4. Set up your project according to the instructions provided at the table and await your review time.
5. Enjoy!

A few additional important notes:

1. *"Messy Projects"* - Any projects that involve a liquid (for example, a volcano) should have a catch basin. We also ask that you bring a drop cloth to protect the floor. Please help us keep our school clean.
2. *Projects requiring electricity* - If your project requires electricity, we ask that you come to set-up at 5:15 p.m. and bring an extension cord. We will need to secure the extension cord to the floor, so as not to create a walking hazard.
3. *Restricted Area* - Please note that half of the gym will be used for science fair projects, while the other half of the gym is a restricted area. In order to provide our scientists with an optimal set-up space, we ask that children not enter or play in the restricted area. This is distracting to those students whose projects are in the gym.

We are looking forward to a great evening. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either one of us.

-[Jenn Wall](#) and [Emily Hayes](#)

Don't Miss Out on B-I-N-G-O Night

Have you heard the Bingo Buzz? Join us for an evening of fun with your friends, favorite teachers calling numbers, lots of prizes for Bingo winners, and a chance to win a raffle basket. Pizza, drinks and snacks will be available for purchase. **Bingo Night** is on **Friday, February 28th**. Reserve your seats before they sell out! There are two seatings: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person (children under 3 are free). No "tickets" will be sold at the door. Print your [Bingo Reservation Form](#) and reserve your seats today!

Come help out on Bingo Night: it's fun! We still need many more adult and 5th grade volunteers to make the night a success. Please click [HERE](#) to volunteer. Thank you!

Bingo Baskets on Display in Haynes Lobby!

Come to the Haynes Lobby and check out the **20 fabulous raffle baskets** to be won on Bingo Night! Raffle tickets are \$2 each. Tickets and payment can be dropped in the raffle ticket box in the lobby. Raffle tickets will also be sold at the Science Fair. Print a sheet of [Raffle Tickets](#) and make checks payable to HOP.

A Chance to Win...

Basket #1 - All Sports Basket

A basket that includes a football, basketball, and a glow in the dark soccer ball for the sports enthusiast!

Basket #2 - Craft Basket

Enjoy these popular crafts! This basket includes plenty of duct tape with different designs and templates and a rainbow loom with fun, colorful elastics.

Basket #3 - Baking Basket

All you need for a festive time of baking. This basket includes a cook book, mixing bowl, cake mix, baking supplies, sprinkles, frosting, and icing. [Read more . . .](#)

Inventory is Almost Gone - Last Day for School Store is Tues., Feb. 11th

All classes are invited to shop on Tuesday morning, Feb. 11th, which will be the last regular School Store day! Come by and snap up any of the items remaining, such as pencil grips, monster notebooks, animal pencil pouches, erasers, and silly pencils and pens.

All proceeds are going towards the 5th Grade end-of-year activities! Thank you to all families that have allowed their children to purchase items from the Hawk's Nest!

Veggie Tasting on Thurs., Feb. 13th in the Cafeteria

On Thursday, February 13th, Whitsons will be offering Veggie Tasting during lunch! Introducing our children to new vegetables and giving them the chance to try them is an important way to build good eating habits for a lifetime. This month's vegetable is **CARROTS**. All students will be offered a sample, regardless of whether they purchase the school lunch or bring lunch from home. No one will be required to take it, but encourage your child to give it a try!

Food allergy precautions have been taken and the school nurses have provided our parent volunteers with a list of children with documented allergies to carrots. Fruit and veggie tastings will take place each month in 2014. Look for the Fruit or Vegetable of the Month on the Whitsons menu!

Food Pantry Collection is Friday!

This month's Food Pantry Collection is on Friday, February 14th. The theme that was chosen was wear **PINK** or **RED** to celebrate Valentine's Day!

Did you know in 2013 Sudbury elementary schools collected 46,460 items?

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Please see the [attached list](#) of requested items.

Thank you for your support!

Sudbury Angels Book Drive

Once again, Haynes will be participating in the annual Sudbury Angels Book Drive to benefit the Fitchburg Public Schools. The collection will be held **February 3-14, 2014**.

So, PLEASE look on your book shelves...look in your attic...look in your basement...ask your friends and neighbors to look for new or gently used fun books that could help a child (Pre K - 8th Grade) learn the enjoyment of reading. A great family project is to go through your bookshelves together and decide which books your children would like to pass on to another child. NO RELIGIOUS, TEXT BOOKS OR ENCYCLOPEDIAS, PLEASE.

Drop your books in the bins in the Haynes front office or arrange a pickup by calling Kate Helman at 978-443-5835.

The Red Raiders Lending Libraries of Fitchburg are grateful for your donations!

HOP Nominating Committee

Step right up to be part of shaping HOP's future. **We will have three open HOP Board positions for the 2014-2015 school year, including HOP Co-Chair, Fundraising Co-Chair, and Assistant Treasurer.** 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.

Maggie Walsh and Joanne Minassian will serve on this committee and are searching for three additional volunteers. Please contact [Maggie](#) or [Joanne](#) by Friday, February 28th if you are interested in helping.

Join the Planning Team for Your Child's Festival

The following festivals are in need of coordinators:

SCIENCE INVESTIGATIONS - The fifth graders will be celebrating their Science Investigations on Wednesday morning, **April 9, 2014** (not to be confused with the all-school Science Fair that is being held in February). Further information and volunteer opportunities will be forthcoming, but we **need two or three 5th grade parent/guardian co-chairs** to help Ms. Duckett with the planning of this festival.

JAPAN FESTIVAL - The first graders will be celebrating the Japan Festival on Wednesday morning, **May 21, 2014**. Further information and volunteer opportunities will be forthcoming, but we **need one more 1st grade parent/guardian co-chair** to help Mrs. McWeeney with the planning of this festival.

If you are interested in co-chairing any of these festivals, please contact [Jill Marsh](#) or [Joanne Minassian](#).

Thanks for your consideration!

Sign Up to Receive the Weekly HOP Newsletter

Not receiving the newsletter? In conjunction with the launch of the new HOP website, we established a new distribution list for the HOP weekly newsletter. If you wish to receive the newsletter, please take a moment and [subscribe](#) to the new mailing list. Please remember to sign up for every email address that you would like to receive the newsletter.

You can access the subscriber page by clicking on the link in this article or by clicking on the blue "NEWSLETTER" button on the [HOP website](#) home page. **The newsletters are now only being sent out to the new mailing list, so don't delay - subscribe today so you don't miss out on any of the current happenings at Haynes!**

Upcoming Events

[Balls and Ramps \(Kindergarten\)](#)

February 11

[School Store](#)

February 11

[Early Release - ILAP](#)

February 12

[Science Fair](#)

February 12

[Food Pantry](#)

February 14

[February Vacation](#)

February 17-21

Community News

[Goodnow Library February Events](#)

[Renovate Fairbank - Public Forum: Feb. 13](#)

[Sudbury SEPAC Parent Coffee - Feb. 27](#)

[Sudbury Girls' Softball - Registration Is Open](#)

[Sudbury SEPAC Board Meeting - March 3](#)

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

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