




THE STAPLES SCOOP



Wednesday, May 21st, 2008

Calendar @ a Glance

Mon., May 26	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day 
Wed., May 28	Easton Budget Referendum – Please vote! Big Gym; 6 am – 8 pm
Fri., May 30	D.A.R.E. Graduation; 5 th grade; 9:30 am; Cafetorium
Tues., June 3	Incoming Kindergarten Orientation; 9:30 – 11:30 am; Cafetorium
Wed., June 4	EARLY DISMISSAL; Staff Development; 1 pm
Wed., June 4	4 th Grade Spring Concert; 6:30 pm; Cafetorium
Wed., June 4	Pizzeria Uno's PTA Night (vouchers in this issue)
Wed., June 4	Bus Driver Appreciation Day
Thurs., June 5	Student Talent Show; Grades 3-5; 6:30 pm; Cafetorium
Wed., June 11	5 th Grade Operetta
Wed., June 18	Last day of school; 1:25 pm dismissal
Wed., Aug. 27	First day of school 2008-2009!

Incoming Kindergarten Orientation is Tues., June 3rd

Incoming Kindergarteners and their parents are invited to Orientation on Tues., June 3rd from 9:30 – 11:30 am in the Cafetorium.

THE PTA SCOOP

Schedule for Field Days & Kindergarten Carnival

Kindergarten	Friday, June 13th – rain date 6/16
Grade 1:	Thursday, June 5th - rain date 6/6
Grade 2:	Wednesday, May 28th - rain date 6/10
Grade 3:	Thursday, May 29th - rain date 6/11
Grade 4:	Monday, June 2nd - rain date 6/9
Grade 5:	Thursday, June 12th - rain date 6/17



Beep! Beep!

Easton Bus Driver Appreciation Day is Wednesday, June 4th. It's a great day to thank your bus driver for getting your child(ren) to and from school safely 180 days a year!



Buy Next Year's School Supplies Online Now

You can order your child's school supplies for 2008-2009 and have them shipped directly to your home! Each pre-packaged school pack is delivered with name-brand supplies specified by the grade's teachers. Avoid the rush at the retail stores in August by ordering now, plus the PTA will receive a percentage of the sales.

Ordering Dates: Now through June 27th
Website: www.innisbrook.com
SSES school number: 101059

Questions to Gina Orticelli ☎ 445.8418.



Our Students and Parents Are "The Real Deal", Too!

The Teacher Appreciation Committee and the PTA thanks all our SSES students and parents for making Teacher Appreciation Week a great success. The teachers and staff raved about each aspect of their week: the delicious food, the creative bulletin boards, the thoughtful gifts, and all of the other wonderful surprises you provided all week. Thank you for all you do to support our school community.

Thanks, Candee Sanitation!

The SSES Playground & Recess Committee extends a warm THANK YOU to Candee Sanitation for its donation of a brand new, large receptacle for use in holding recess equipment. Candee's generosity and willingness to help the SSES community is greatly appreciated!

The Scoop Scoop

The Scoop is produced by the PTA and distributed every other Wednesday by email attachment to those who have registered to receive SSES information. **To subscribe, unsubscribe, or to change your email, go to <http://www.er9.org/sses>, and click on "Join Our Listserv".** Submissions (in Word format, please) should be sent to ssesscoop@yahoo.com by 9 pm the preceding Saturday. Questions to Cathy Dunsby @ above email or ☎ 292.3692. **Final Scoop issue is Wed, June 4th.**

Uno's Named "Top Chain Restaurant" by *Health Magazine*

-- June 4th is PTA Night! --

Excerpt: "If you haven't been to your local Uno's recently, you're in for a great surprise. Sure, its famous deep-dish (read high-fat) pizzas still hold court, but nutrition has become the word of the day with a completely transfat-free menu and plenty of grilled entrees (including antibiotic-free chicken). Adding to the healthy variety: whole-grain pasta and brown rice, organic coffee and tea, and flatbread pizzas that have half the calories of deep-dish ones. Plus, you can add a salad to your pizza for half-price..."

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WANTED: Calendar Artists



The Easton PTA is once again creating a 12-month calendar for use during the 2008-20089 school year. Calendars will be distributed in September to each family. School and PTA dates will be included as well as the school handbook, pertinent phone numbers, etc. Student art work will be used to decorate the cover and each month of the year.

All submissions should be done in black ink, on 8 ½ x 11 paper. Label the back of the picture with Name, Grade, and a phone number in pencil. *Return pictures to the office in a large envelope or folder marked "PTA calendar" by June 10th.*

Would you like to see your child's name and birthday on the school calendar?



The PTA calendar will include all important dates for the upcoming school year. Don't you think your child's birthday should be one of them? Don't forget preschoolers, grandparents, mom, dad and "Fido". Send in the completed form below with \$1 for every date you'd like to list on the calendar. Please send check (preferred) or cash in a sealed envelope marked PTA calendar, to the office by June 10th.

Contact Christine Calvert 261.7325 or ccalvert@optonline.net for more information.

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Name and Birthdate _____

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Other important dates

Total \$ enclosed ___\$_____

Phone Number/email _____



JOIN THE BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB!

We're celebrating all July birthdays in June!

The SSES Birthday Book Club is a great way to help increase the SSES library with quality books purchased through donations given in your child's name for his/her birthday. These books will be the property of Samuel Staples library and will be checked out by children for years to come!

Here's how it works:

- 1) You make a \$20 book donation for your child
- 2) During your child's birthday month they will be invited to attend a before school birthday celebration for all participating children celebrating their birthday that month.
- 3) At this event your child will select a new hardcover book from a variety of quality titles chosen by our librarian, Mrs. Duffy. A special bookplate dedicated to your child will be placed on the inside cover.

In years to come, when your child checks out books from the SSES, they will see the book donated in honor of their special day. What a fabulous way to commemorate the Samuel Staples years!

To participate in the BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB, please complete the form below and send in a check for \$20 made payable to SSES PTA in an envelope marked Birthday Book Club. If you did it last year, do it again since we dedicate the book in honor of the age they are turning.

Any questions? Please call Dea Auray, 373-9589 or Whitney Goetz, 372-6095.

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YES! Please include my child(ren) in the SSES Birthday Book Club! Enclosed is a check for \$20 payable to SSES PTA for each book donated.

Child's Name _____ Birthday Age _____

Birth Month _____ Grade _____

Child's Name _____ Birthday Age _____

Birth Month _____ Grade _____

Please give us your e-mail address so we can send you a confirmation for each celebration. _____

THE TOWN SCOOP

U-9 and U-10 Boys Travel Soccer Tryouts for Fall 2008/Spring 2009

U-10: Wednesdays May 21st & May 28th; 3:45 – 5:15 p.m. at SSES. Players born on or after August 1, 1998 are welcome. New Players please bring a copy of your birth certificate. All Players please bring a 1x1 photo, cleats, shin guards, water and a soccer ball. Please contact Bob Schwaeber with questions: 216-2995 or schwabe5@optonline.net.

U-9: Tuesday May 27th; 3:45 – 5:15 p.m. at SSES. Players born on or after August 1, 1999 are welcome. Please bring copy of birth certificate, a 1x1 photo, cleats, shin guards, water and a soccer ball. Questions please contact Jeff O'Connor: 520-4401 or copyho@aol.com.

Easton Community Center News

Call 459.9700 or visit www.eastoncc.com

“Rock and Roll Night”: Family rock climbing and roller skating/blading in the ECC’s gym! Fri., June 6th for ages 6 – 106. Call ahead to reserve a “climb time” and for more information.

Annual Golf Tournament: *Only a few spots remain!* Monday, June 16th at Connecticut Golf Club; \$350/golfer includes 18-holes, continental breakfast, lunch, dinner and adult beverages. Tee time: 12 pm sharp.

Easton Library Hosts Dog Show

Children can enter their favorite canine in a dog show which will be held on May 31st at 3 pm in the parking lot to the rear of the Easton Public Library. Children who do not have a dog may dress up as a dog for their own special costume parade and contest. Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories. Please note that all dogs must be kept on a leash at all times. Pre-registration at the Library is preferred but not required. (261-0134).



Got Hair to Spare? – Girl Scouts to Conduct Pony Tail Drive

Please donate your hair to the Easton Girl Scouts’ drive to create free wigs for women who have lost their hair due to cancer treatment. June 6th from 6-9 pm at the Easton Community Center. Call Chris Wegener at 371.5628 by Friday, May 23rd for a time slot with a professional stylist who is donating his or her time. Unable to join us on June 6th? Pony Tails can be dropped off at a box located in the lobby of the Easton Library. Pony tail requirements: 8 inches of clean, non-colored, less than 5% gray hair. Please secure both ends of the pony tail and place in a gallon Ziploc bag, with your name, address and phone number.

Annual Easton Firefighter’s Carnival: July 29th – Aug. 2nd



GIRL SCOUTS OF CONNECTICUT

www.gsofct.org 1-800-922-2770



Cadette Girl Scout Troop 31497
Easton, Connecticut 06612

Dear Samuel Staples School Families,

Our 9th grade Girl Scout Troop, 31497, is working on our Silver Award project. This is the second highest award a girl can earn in scouting. We are collecting school supplies for Bryant Elementary School in Bridgeport, Connecticut. We worked with the students of this school when we were in 8th grade at Helen Keller. Most of the students that attend this school are not able to afford new school supplies. Many of the children cannot even afford to purchase pencils and paper. We are writing to ask you if you would be kind enough to donate supplies to our cause and help these students have a better back to school. The teachers at the school have given us "wish lists" plus we would like to place a small "goodie bag" on each child's desk on the first day of school.

Listed below are the school supplies we are asking for:

Glue Sticks	Play dough
Scissors	Finger paints
Construction paper	Recess materials (balls, jump ropes, etc.)
Math manipulatives	Stickers
24 pack crayons	Pocket folders
Sharpies	Velcro dots
Glitter glue	Flash cards
Colored pencils	Markers
Pencils and erasers	25 sets of magnetic letters
Dry erase markers	Bubbles
Notebooks	World and US maps
Laminated folders	Globes
Reading games	Chalk/Sidewalk Chalk
Electric pencil sharpeners	Tempera Paint
Clay	Puzzles (Different age levels)
Post it notes	Sentence strips
Magnetic clips	Math games
Mini white board	Marbled composition notebooks
Transparencies	Microscopes for 4 th & 5 th grade
Pocket dictionaries	Overhead wet markers
Board Games (Hungry Hippo, Candyland, Chutes & Ladders.)	
Fancy pencils, erasers and sharpeners (for gift bags for each student)	

This means a lot to our troop, the teachers, and most importantly the students of Bryant Elementary School. Thank you in advance for anything that you can do for the students of Bryant Elementary School. We truly appreciate it.

Please Note: A collection box has been placed in the lobby of the school for your convenience. Donations will be accepted at SSES through Friday, June 13, 2008.

Sincerely,

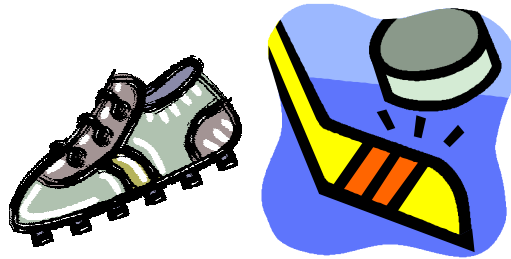
Megan, Diana, Hope, Tori, Emma, Shana, Kristi, Liz, Maddie, Casey & Jamie **Girl Scout Troop 31497**

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Extra equipment for Excellent Education



- Please donate your used sports equipment **June 9-June 14.** Donation boxes at SSES foyer, Easton Library, and HKMS drop off loop lobby. Items can also be dropped off at Karen O'Brien's barn.
- **ELF will hold a mega-sale in HKMS gym on Sunday, September 14th.**
- All proceeds will support the Easton Learning Foundation. Our teachers and your children will benefit!

What to donate: bikes, jog strollers, exercise equip., snow clothes and boots, skis, skates, rackets, playground toys, hockey, baseball, lacrosse, golf, tennis equipment, cleats...if you use it when you are sporting, we will take it!

To donate now or arrange a pick up, contact:

Barbie Powell (bgpowell@optonline.net),

Andrew Barer (abarer@ekkotekologies.com),

Karen O'Brien (mkarenobrien@yahoo.com)

Lisa Knopff (knopffam@aol.com)

Ann Leibell (dandaleibell@yahoo.com)

Don't miss the second annual Barlow Palooza, an event not to be missed!

Come Join Us For..

★ Joel Barlow's



May 29th 7-9pm

See what you can do at Joel Barlow!

Student Art Show

Music by 10 Minute Break

Live Dancing

Capstone Presentations

French Connection

Pottery Demonstrations

Jewelry Demonstrations

Senior Experience Presentations

Spanish 6

Live Jewelry Auction

Mural Painting

Art Sale

Senior Projects

Singing

Plant Sale

Refreshments

....and more!