

The Summer Scoop



CALENDAR @ A GLANCE

Tues., Aug. 31	Meet the Teacher
Wed., Sept. 1	First Day of School! <i>Welcome back!</i>
Wed., Sept. 1	Welcome Coffee for Kindergarten Parents; 9:15 am; Cafetorium
Mon., Sept. 6	NO SCHOOL – Labor Day
Thurs., Sept. 9	NO SCHOOL – Rosh Hashanah
Fri., Sept. 10	Room Parent Sign-Up Forms Due (details and form in this issue)
Tues., Sept. 14	Easton Board of Education meeting; 7:30 pm; HKMS
Tues., Sept. 21	School Picture Day
Wed., Sept. 22	Parent Night for Pre-K through Grade 2; 7 pm
Thur., Sept. 23	Parent Night for Grades 3, 4 & 5; 7 pm
Fri., Sept. 24	School Spirit Day; Wear SSES colors of blue & gold!
Fri., Sept. 24	EARLY DISMISSAL – Professional Development; 1 pm, (also HKMS)
Sat., Sept. 25	ELF Used Sporting Goods Super Sale; 9 am – 3 pm; HKMS Tennis Courts
Fri., Oct. 8	NO SCHOOL – Staff Development Day
Mon., Oct. 11	NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day
Thurs., Nov. 11	EARLY DISMISSAL; Prof. Development; 1 pm (also Veteran's Day)

Meet the Teacher on August 31st

Stop by and say hello to your new teacher and see your classroom on Tues., Aug. 31st:

- Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades: 2-3 pm
- 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades: 1-2 pm



Principal's Coffees for September

Please join Kim Fox-Santora in the Cafetorium at 9:15 am:

Mon., Sept. 13	K - Kuruc
Tues., Sept. 14	K - Paciello
Wed., Sept. 15	K - Pilkington
Thurs., Sept. 16	K - Giglio
Fri., Sept. 17	K - Cox
Mon., Sept. 20	Grade 1 Parents
Tues., Sept. 21	Grade 2 Parents
Wed., Sept. 22	Grade 3 Parents
Thurs., Sept. 23	Grade 4 Parents
Fri., Sept. 24	Grade 5 Parents

2010-2011 Calendar

The finalized calendar for this school year is online at:

http://www.er9.org/Calendars/REVISED_School_Calendar2010-2011_School_Year.PDF

THE PTA SCOOP

Meet Your PTA Executive Board:

- **SSES Co-President Stephanie Frangenes:** Stephanie is new to the board this year and has a daughter in 5th grade and a son in 2nd grade.
- **SSES Co-President Sharon Stemme:** Sharon was on the board last year as recording secretary and has a son in 6th grade and a daughter in 3rd grade.
- **HKMS Co-President Heidi Adair:** This is Heidi's second year in this position and she has a son in 7th grade and daughters in 1st and 4th grades.
- **HKMS Co-President Laura Jones:** This is Laura's second year in this position and she has a daughter in 8th grade, a son in 7th grade, a daughter in 3rd grade, and a son in 1st grade.
- **Membership Rachel Rios:** This is Rachel's second year in this position and she has a son in 3rd grade.
- **Recording Secretary Jill Jarvis:** Jill is new to the board this year and has a son in Kindergarten and a one year old daughter.
- **Corresponding Secretary Melinda O'Brien:** Melinda is new to the board this year and has daughters in 8th, 7th, and 4th grade and a son in 2nd grade.
- **Treasurer Jeanine Jones:** This is Jeanine's second year in this position and she has a son in 4th grade and a daughter in 2nd grade.
- **Deputy Treasurer Stacy Varvaro:** This is Stacy's second year in this position and she has sons in 4th and 5th grade.

Summer Label Contest

Welcome new families! At SSES we collect all Box Tops, Campbell, and Tyson A+ labels to earn cash for our school. We are currently running a Summer Label Contest, please make sure to send in any labels you collected by Friday, September 10. Make sure to include your name and teacher's name. The student who collects the most will win a certificate to our school store.

You Asked for It...

The Innisbrook Fall Fundraiser -- featuring that great wrapping paper -- is coming back! Your child's seller packet will be sent home the first week of school with a parent instruction letter. The PTA thanks you in advance for your support in helping us continue our enrichment programs at SSES. Please contact Kathleen Wasmer at Kathleenmom@optonline.net with any questions.

Media Center Volunteers Needed.

If you would like to help during your child's media center time please contact Michele Koubeck at mkoubeck@optonline.net.

Fall Book Fair Is Oct. 15-22

Mark your calendars.... The Fall Scholastic Book Fair will be held at SSES Small Gym October 15-22! Please look for more details to follow. Feel free to contact the Chairpeople with questions or if you are interested in volunteering (Beth Gomolak, bethbg@optonline.net or Laura T. Jones, stoneybell@sbcglobal.net).

Easton SEPTA (Special Ed PTA)

If you have a child receiving special services, we invite you to be a part of our SEPTA. Please contact Stacy Varvaro pvsav@optonline.net for more information.

The Scoop Scoop

The Scoop is published every other Wednesday (for the most part) and distributed by SSES' email Listserv. To add or change your email information go to www.er9.org/sses/ and click on "Join Our Listserv". *The Scoop and the SSES Office do not update the Listserv.*

Next two issues: Wednesdays, Sept. 8 & 22. Please submit any information – in MS Word format -- by the Saturday evening preceding publication. Questions and submissions to Cathy Dunsby at ssesscoop@yahoo.com



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Room Parent 101

- ❖ The PTA oversees the Room Parent program, and is looking for four room parents per classroom, for each grade from Pre-K to 5th.
- ❖ You **MUST** be a PTA member to be a room parent. This is an insurance requirement.
- ❖ You may only be a Room Parent for *one child per family*. If a particular class does not have enough volunteers, then we may also allow your second choice.
- ❖ If you have any questions, please call Jodi Forte at 203.373.1790.

What are the duties?

- ❖ Attend a Room Parent meeting in September.
- ❖ Collect money from each family for class dues.
- ❖ Designate volunteers to plan and implement each class party. Dates, times and specifics will be discussed with the classroom teacher. Typically parties are held for Halloween, Winter Holidays, Valentine’s Day, and the End-of-the-Year.
- ❖ Organize Teacher Appreciation Week activities, usually held in May.
- ❖ Coordinate classroom volunteers for Field Day, held in June.
- ❖ Work with classroom teacher and PTA on other possible classroom and school-wide events.

How do I sign up?

- ❖ Below slip must be returned to school *no later than September 10th*. No exceptions. Room parents will be chosen by a lottery system.
- ❖ You will be notified by September 17th if you have been selected.



Room Parent Interest Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Prior room parent experience? _____

1st Choice Child’s Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

2nd Choice Child’s Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

3rd Choice Child’s Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Please return to *no later than September 10th*, to the office,
attention: “**PTA / Room Parents**”.

THE TOWN SCOOP

Easton Concert Series at the Gazebo this Sunday Evening (Weather Permitting)

Come dance the evening away this Sunday, Aug. 29th from 5-8 pm at the Easton Gazebo (in front of the ECC). Heartbeat, featuring (HKMS teacher) Bob Lavalley, will provide the dance music, from swing to Top 40. Admission is free, so grab the kids, a picnic and some friends and come by!

Donate Used Sports Equipment to ELF's Super Sale

There are several easy ways to donate your "fair to excellent condition" used sporting equipment to benefit ELF.



1. Drop off your sports equipment in the lobby of the Easton Public Library, the ECC, SSES or HKMS, or at the "Pod" container at the HKMS tennis Courts (starting Sept. 4th).
2. ELF will pick up the sports equipment in your driveway on Saturday, 9/18 (or on another date more convenient for you). Just email Andrea Kingsley at andi1960@optonline.net or Lynn Bruce at labruce@optonline.net to let them know you'd like a pick up. No need to be home for pick-up.

ELF's annual mega-sale will take place at the HKMS tennis courts on Sat., Sept. 25th from 9 am to 3 pm. 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! Please, no large plastic play

structures.



Easton & Redding High School Students Host Evening to Benefit Breast Cancer

You're invited to an evening of fun and fashion for the entire family to benefit the Norma Pfriem Breast Care Center on Sunday evening, Sept. 26th from 6 - 9 pm at Brooklawn Country Club in Fairfield. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$25 for children (who must be accompanied by an adult) and include dinner and a fashion show. Advance reservations required, please contact Katie O'Brien

at 203-459-2772.