

The Black Bear News

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Deerfield Elementary School promotes the joys of life long learning for everyone.

JUNE AGENDA

- 04: Arts Festival Day! — France
- 07: District 38 Jr. Olympics— Gr. 5 & 6
- 08: District 38 Jr. Olympics— gr. 3 & 4
- 09: Rain Date for Jr. Olympic
- 09: Out of School Time Picnic, Sunderland Elem. 4:30-6:30, *rain or shine!*
- 10: PreK field trip (Huntley)
- 11: First gr. Field trip (all)
- 11: 6th Grade Step-Up Day
- 14: PTA Board Meeting
- 15: Grade 6 Field Trip (ALL) -Boston, 8:00 am-Midnight
- 15: Gr.1 Field Trip (Covey)
- 16: Gr.3 & K field trip (Sullivan,Antaya)
- 16: Gr. 4 field trip (Woodard)
- 17: Kindergarten Picnic
- 17: Gr.5 (all) Field Trip —Sturbridge Village
- 18: Grade 6 Recognition Day
- 21: Gr. 6 to DA Pool
- 21: Pre K Picnic
- 22: Gr. 3 (all) field trip (weather permitting)
- 22: Community Appreciation Assembly 1:45
- 24: Last Day of School! Half Day

Please Note: From the 6th Graders, We have a coin drive to donate to the Sun-coast Seabird Sanctuary & Avian Hospital to help the wildlife affected by the oil spill. Please support the cause! Thank you.

SUMMER WRITE 2010

One Week (5 day) Format!
 Monday, July 19, through Friday, July 23
 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
 ~DEERFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL~
 A summer writing program for students entering grades 2 – 6 from Conway, Deerfield, Sunderland, and Whately
Summer Write! A program offering students who love to write an opportunity to come together to form a community of writers. Young writers develop their own voices and receive the support of like-minded peers. Specially trained teachers guide each child's development with engaging, enjoyable activities in a calm and supportive environment.
 Location: Deerfield Elementary School
 Cost: \$80.00 for the week
Sliding fee scale is available upon request
A typical day includes:

- ◆ journal writing
- ◆ poetry, comic strips, personal stories
- ◆ individual and group projects
 - ◆ art & illustration
 - ◆ recreation and snacks

Questions? Contact Louise Law at 665-1155
 or lawl@frsu38.deerfield.ma.us

A Note From the Principal

Dear Families ~

It's hard to believe another school year is coming to an end. I want to thank all our Deerfield families and the entire community for your endless support to the school. I want to acknowledge our School Committee, our School Council, PTA, VIPs, Dr Nash, Central Office, volunteers, our outstanding faculty and staff and our wonderful students; collectively we contribute to making Deerfield a special place that allow our children to academically and socially achieve at the highest levels. With sincere appreciation-
 Thank You!

On behalf of all the faculty and staff, please have an enjoyable, relaxed and fun summer break with your children.

Please feel free to contact me over the summer at:
kellyk@des.deerfield.ma.us

Kevin Kelly

Class Assignments

Class Assignments for September 2010 to be announced Monday, August 17th.

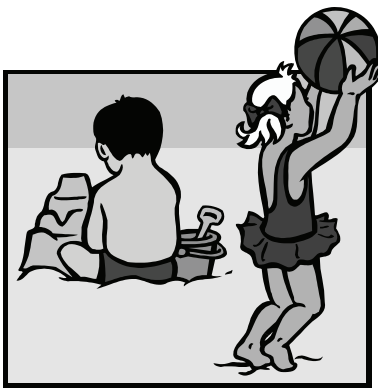
As you review your child's progress report for the second semester you will note their class placement for next September is not indicated. While faculty and administration have developed drafts of class lists for September 2010, we will wait until mid August to finalize and publish these lists. Class lists will be posted to the left of the main entrance on the windows on Monday, August 17th. This process allows us the flexibility we need to meet any shifts in programmatic demands for services in the coming year

NATURES CLASSROOM UPDATE FOR 4th GRADE FAMILIES

Thank you to 4th grade families for supporting our trip to Nature's Classroom for next September! Please remember there is a **required** meeting for parents/guardians to attend for completing medical and registration forms, volunteering to chaperone, asking teachers questions about the trip, getting a packing list, and submitting the final payment. Children do not need to be present but are welcome. Parents/Guardians are invited to choose from the more convenient of the two meeting nights: Tuesday June 8th OR Wednesday June 9th and are invited to come to the DES cafeteria anytime between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on one of those two evenings.

We look forward to seeing you on June 8th OR June 9th!

Genuinely,



River Valley Day Camp

We are excited for River Valley Day Camp to begin on Monday, June 28th! A reminder for parents to send your children in with a bathing suit, towel, lunch, and sunscreen. There are still a few openings available for camp. Please call Kelley Sullivan @ 665-1131, email address: SullivK1@des.deerfield.ma.us

Deerfield Out of School Time Program

June 23rd is the last day for after-school care and June 24th is the last day for before school care. Thank you to those parents who have cleared their financial obligations to the O.S.T. Program. Our fiscal year closes on June 30, 2010. All financial obligations need to be met prior to that time. Registration packets for next year are available by calling our Central Office at 665-1155. Have a wonderful summer!

Barnes and Noble has a summer reading incentive program. Please go to their B&N in Hadley or www.barnesandnoble.com/summerreading/ to download a passport log. See how you can earn a free book!

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