

# Spring Street Link

October 17, 2016

In three weeks on Tuesday, November 8 parents and teachers will have the opportunity to participate in parent/teacher conferences. This is a great opportunity for both parents and teachers to share successes, discuss areas needing support, and to set goals for the coming year. Teachers have and will be preparing their interpretations of a variety of assessments and observation data that will guide them in developing instructional experiences and learning activities that will support the continuous growth of all our students. Although each conference is relatively short, please be assured that teachers will ensure that the information shared with you and suggestions for how learning can be collaboratively supported at home will be thoughtful and specific to the needs of your child.

If you haven't already scheduled a conference with your child's teacher, please reach out to your child's teacher as soon as possible. We are grateful for the opportunity to continue to foster a collaborative home/school partnership.

## **Meal Magic Implementation at SSS**

The Food Service Department will be implementing a new, computerized point-of-sale system in the Spring Street Cafeteria beginning on Tuesday, November 1, 2016. Information about this system is attached.

## **Winter Craft Night - Informational Meeting**

Winter Craft Night (December 2nd from 6-8pm) is a wonderful evening where students can make unique hand made holiday gifts for family and friends. Interested in learning more about this fun night, please come to an informational meeting on **Friday, October 21st at 9:00am** in the cafeteria. If you are unable to attend, but interested in helping please contact Jenny Ghidella at [jghidella@townisp.com](mailto:jghidella@townisp.com).

## **Spring Street Elementary DINE OUT DAY at Not Your Average Joes on 11/8**

Take the kids out to lunch or take a night off from cooking and join your Spring Street friends for another fun dine-out day at NYAJ held on Tuesday, NOV. 8 (Conference Day). Just print out the attached flyer and present it to your server and NYAJ will donate 15% of your total purchase to our PTO.

## **Final Call for Mixed Bags Fundraiser**

Please turn in any remaining fundraiser orders by Tuesday, October 18th. This is the last day as we will place our order and estimated delivery date will be 2-3 weeks. Please look out for delivery date to pick up ordered merchandise. Thank you for your support!

## **From previous links:**

### **Scholastic Book Fair 10/31 - 11/8**

Our Scholastic book fair allows children to choose books they love to read, helps build classroom libraries and supports the PTO and Media Center. Students will visit the book fair during the media classes to make wish lists and parents can shop on Parent Conference Day. Please help make our book fair a success by volunteering a small amount of your time. Any questions

contact [erin.ryan92@gmail.com](mailto:erin.ryan92@gmail.com)

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E49ACAF29AB9-spring1>

### **Haiti, Mathew, and Be Like Brit and the Spring Street School Student Council!**

The Be Like Brit Foundation, located at 66 Pullman St., Worcester is currently collecting a variety of specific food and household items to assist those impacted by Hurricane Matthew! The devastation that has fallen upon the Haitian people and their island has sparked support from many different organizations. Be Like Brit with its local connections has secured a large container that will be shipped to Haiti in the next couple of weeks to help many of those affected. At this time, the Spring Street School Student Council is collecting monetary donations, peanut butter, canned tuna, chicken, Spam, and hams, powdered milk, Tang, pasta, children's vitamins, OTC pain relievers (Tylenol, Motrin), towels and bars of soap for distribution to those in southern Haiti near the Be Like Brit orphanage. Please consider making a donation this week to help those in need. We thank you all for your assistance. "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" Helen Keller. Should you have any questions, please contact Barbara Luby at [bluby@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:bluby@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us).

### **Volunteering Requirement-CORI Checks**

Anyone volunteering at our school must participate in the Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check before volunteering. Volunteering includes classroom volunteering, field trips, field day, etc. Once a CORI check has been completed, your 'CORI' is valid for 3 years. CORI checks are applicable to any volunteering in the Shrewsbury Public Schools. Unfortunately, CORIs completed elsewhere are not valid for Shrewsbury Public Schools. This link can be used to access the form. Please return the completed form in person to Mrs. Judith Adair, our secretary, with your license for the CORI to begin being processed. Please allow for at least 2 weeks for CORI checks to be completed before participating in any volunteer activities at our school. Volunteers without a completed and processed CORI will be unable to volunteer until the process is complete. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.  
<http://schools.shrewsbury.ma.gov/district/documents/coriform.pdf>

### **Spring Street School Outing with the Providence Bruins on Sunday Nov. 6**

Join our school for a special fundraising hockey game event with the Providence Bruins on November 6! Discounted tickets are just \$25/person and all kids in attendance will receive a free hat, popcorn and drink for a special kids day with the Bruins!! Just Print out the flyer or complete the form that your child will bring home today and return it to school by October 19! All proceeds will benefit our PTO! Any questions, feel free to contact Jennifer Daley ([jmndaley@yahoo.com](mailto:jmndaley@yahoo.com)).

### **Spruce Up Spring Street School**

On Saturday, October 22, Spring Street School families will be putting on their work gloves to clean up the gardens in front of our school. Our attention will be focused on the Flagpole Garden and the Owl's Nest green space (circular drive area). If you can help for any or all of the scheduled 2 hour-period, bring your work gloves, rakes, shovels, cutting tools (small and large), and positive attitude as we can all come together in true Spring Street Spirit! Battery or gas-powered weed wackers/trimmers would also be a great help! We hope to see you there! If you can make it or have any questions, please e-mail Barbara Luby at [bluby@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:bluby@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us)

### **Important Dates**

Thursday, October 28, Picture Retakes, AM  
Tuesday, November 8, No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Tuesday, November 8, Not Your Average Joes Dine Out Fundraiser  
Wednesday, November 9, Gift of Knowledge, 8:30-9:00am  
Friday, November 11, No School, Veteran's Day  
Tuesday, November 15, PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30pm  
November 23-25, Thanksgiving Vacation  
Friday, December 2, Winter Craft Night, 6-8:00pm  
Tuesday, December 6, Early-Release Day, 12:15 Dismissal, Professional Development  
December 6, 2 Ovens Pizza Dine Out Fundraiser  
December 26-January 2, December Vacation

Have a good week.  
Bryan Mabie