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DOVER PTO May 2018 NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MFA Trip May 9th

3rd + 1st grade
Teacher
Appreciation Day
Luncheon
May 9th

Bike Safety Day May 12th

Dover School
Committee
Meeting
May 14th

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A Letter From the President:

Hello Chickering families and friends!

I can't believe we are only 7 weeks from the end of school! It has been a wonderful year with fantastic curriculum enrichment program and wonderful events - International Cultural night last week was a great experience with dance performances from the K-4 students, a great percussion performance by our own Shawn Tiwari, as well as the Harney Academy of Dance step dancers, featuring our own Alice McGowan and Veronica Caldwell! I would like to thank Sra. Romer and all of the teachers, staff and volunteers with a special thank you to Chickering librarian Cheryl Chase for all of the planning and effort that goes into making this event so special! I hope to see you at Bike Safety Day May 12 and please join us at our Open Meeting in June to learn more about the PTO and the volunteer opportunities available to participate in our school!

Best wishes,

Jim McLaughlin

Dover PTO President 2017-2018



Saturday, May 12th is Bike Safety Day at Chickering!

This event, supported by the Dover Police Department, aims to pass on important information and lessons to our children.

Bicycle riding is a great way to get from one place to another, as well as a fun family activity. The popularity of bicycle riding is growing daily, but, as with anything, it is important to make safety your primary consideration.

Here are some tips about safety and the rules of the road from the Dover Police Department:

- Be certain the bicycle you are riding works properly.
- Make sure you have reflectors on the bike that make it visible from any direction after dark (red facing rear, white facing front), and a warning device, such as a bell or horn.
- Never ride a bicycle without a helmet that fits properly.
- Ride on the right side of the road.
- Use proper hand signals when slowing, turning and stopping.
- · Ride no more than two abreast.
- Don't swerve in and out of traffic.
- · Yield to pedestrians.

Volunteers are still needed for this event. If you are intersted in helping out, please go to the SignUpGenius: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44a5a72ea2f94-volunteer

Teacher Appreciation Day

Thank You to those signed up to decorate doors for teacher appreciation day!



We still have some doors without volunteers to decorate and we are asking (begging) for some last minute help. You DO NOT have to be talented or crafty, there are ideas on line all done that you can copy. The decorating is AFTER school on Monday May 7th and we will be there fairly late so you can come after work. We realize everyone is very busy but we really need some volunteers for this one time event.

school from which all of our children benefit.

There is a sign up genius with the remaining doors including Ms. Natal BCBA, the K-3 Learning center and the Strategic Learning Center. Thank you.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44a5a72ea2f94-teacher

Artful Adventure to the Museum of Fine Arts

This year's trip will take place on May 9, 2018 from 12:15pm - around 4:00pm, and will include a guided tour of significant works of art and an art project led by museum staff. The tours and art projects are different every year, so we always have many repeat attendees. The trip typically sells out quickly with a strict limit of attendees imposed by the MFA and the bus



company. So if you are interested in signing up, please don't wait long to do so. Also, please consider joining the trip as a chaperone. It's a great trip for everyone!

Please go to the website: <u>goo.gl/QT3MSU</u> for more information and, to reserve your spot(s). Hope you and/or your Chickering student(s) can join us this year. You can also contact Peter Hoffmann (Chair of Community Outreach for the Dover PTO) with any questions at <u>community@doverpto.org</u>. Thanks!



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coordinating a Mexican Fiesta Luncheon with the first and third grade parents. Here are some planning guidelines for parent volunteers:

- If you are providing a hot dish, please drop it off as close to the end of the "set-up" window as possible so that it remains warm.
- Non-perishable items can be dropped off to Karen in the front office a day in advance of the event. Please let her know if anything needs refrigeration.
- Items can also be dropped off in advance to either Fiona Sermon (190 Claybrook Road, <u>fisermon@gmail.com</u>) or Sarah Puerini (46 Glen Street, <u>spuerini@gmail.com</u>). Please email to let them know you will be coming.
- Please label all serving dishes and utensils from home, they will be washed and left in the school lobby for pick-up after the event or the following day.
- Please label the contents of all homemade food items and whether they contain any nuts.
- If you are providing a dish with multiple servings, for example a cake or a pie, please pre-slice it.

There is still plenty of time to volunteer to bring something in, set-up the luncheon or help with clean-up. Please use the SignUpGenius link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f48a5ac2faaf49-mexican1

Cool Jazz & Hot Dogs Thursday, May 17 5pm - 9pm, Dover Town Library

Grab your lawn chair and join us for an outdoor concert and dinner on the lawn of the Dover Town Library! Starting at 5:30pm, gourmet hot dogs and homemade toppings will be available for purchase from the Snappy Dogs Food Truck. At 6:30pm, the Dover Sherborn High School Jazz Band will perform the classics including Autumn Leaves, How High the Moon, and Chameleon! In the case of bad weather, the concert will be moved to Mudge Auditorium at DSHS.

DOVER COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Dover Council on Aging is looking to the future to strengthen its ties with the **entire** Dover Community through programs, services and advocacy. The purpose of this project is to survey key constituents of the Dover community to better understand the needs and interests of Dover's seniors as well as perceptions of Dover's seniors held by various constituents.

The Dover Community Survey may be found at the following link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/DOVERCOA.

Copies are also available at the library or the Council on Aging office in the Caryl

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