



# H.T. Wing School eNews

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## *From the President's Desk*

Welcome Back!

Another exciting school year is upon us. Or, for some of you, this is your first year at the Wing school. On behalf of the PTA, we'd like to welcome all the new families who are joining the Wing community this fall...you're going to love our school!

The PTA Board met a couple times over the summer in an effort to plan some awesome activities and events for the school year. We appreciate all the parent volunteers who have already signed up to assist with these events. As we've stated before, little is possible without the support of our dedicated parents, teachers and faculty. Having said that, the PTA's mission this year is "A Spirit of Service" as we shine a light on volunteerism and involvement in our school community.

Speaking of involvement, today was our first PTA meeting. Check the website for the minutes from the meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the school library. We encourage your attendance and active participation. Remember, this is your PTA and we welcome new ideas and ways to enrich our children's overall educational experience.

You'll be hearing much more from the PTA in the upcoming weeks...but until then, here's to a great year!

With appreciation,  
Gina Murphy

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## Dates for September:

- 15<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten first full day
- 15<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm PTA meeting in Library (babysitting available)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Open House 6-7:30pm (1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Open House 6-7:30pm (5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>)
- 24<sup>th</sup> HALF DAY of School (K-8<sup>th</sup>)

***Innisbrook*** and ***Yankee Candle*** Fundraising Packets will be coming home with your child during the week of September 21<sup>st</sup>. Ordering deadlines are October 9 for *Innisbrook* and October 15<sup>th</sup> for *Yankee Candle*.

## LITERACY PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed to assist with this important educational program. More information will be provided at Open House both evenings.

### H. T. Wing School Handbook Goes "Green"!

Did you know? You can now access the HT Wing School PTA Handbook via the website at: [www.htwingpta.com](http://www.htwingpta.com). This Handbook provides information on a wide range of PTA activities and related service, daily school procedures, volunteer opportunities and groups/people in our community. Contact a Wing PTA board member with any questions or comments you may have.

### PASTA SUPPER & POUND RAFFLE

Mark your calendar for Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>! This fun, family-friendly event is always a crowd pleaser! We are looking for more volunteers to help make this fundraiser bigger and better than ever. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Susan Thayer (508) 833-8572 and Tammy McDevitt (508) 888-0408.

Thanks!

### Box Tops and Campbell Labels

Each classroom will be collecting both Box Top coupons and **NOW** Campbell product labels. You do not need to write the name of the student on the Box Tops or labels, just send them in to your child's homeroom.

### Pennies For Peace

- Thanks to everyone's support, 43,762 pennies were collected from the HT Wing School last spring. This was almost enough to cover a teacher's salary in rural Pakistan or Afghanistan for one year! Special thanks to the following students who took time out of their busy summer to count and roll all those pennies!
- They are: Gregory Hofmann, Brendan Hoffmann, Ella Hoffmann, Tim Jordan, Chris Jordan, Tommy Moynihan, Jake Bova, Katerina Bova, Caitlin Shaw, Mikayla Shaw, Will O'Brien and Griffin McDevitt.

## Become A Member!

When you sign up to become a member of the PTA, you will be automatically entered to win a \$50 gift certificate. This could be a "win-win" for everyone. Supporting your child's education experience, volunteering your time/ services to the school, and money in your pocket!! Membership forms are available on the website [www.htwingpta.org](http://www.htwingpta.org) or at the Open Houses. Membership is \$10, check payable to "H T WING PTA".

### 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Study Hall

Study Hall is tentatively set to start Sept 21<sup>st</sup> for students in grades 5-8. It will run Monday-Thursday from 2:40pm - 3:20pm. A signed permission slip or note from home is necessary for students to stay for this program. Contact Jen Hurley, 508-888-6973, for more information.

### CROCS RECYCLING PROGRAM

Going through your summer stuff and finding Crocs no one is going to wear anymore? Bring them to WING in the front lobby as there is a box there to recycle the shoes to the program: Soles United-Wear them...Share them...Crocs. It's the first-of-its-kind recycled footwear donation program. give back your worn-out crocs shoes to be recycled into new shoes and they will be donated to people in need around the world. Be sure to check out their website:

<http://www.solesunited.com/>.

### Information to look for at Open House:

- ✓ Volunteer Opportunities (in Lobby and individual classrooms)
- ✓ Membership Forms
- ✓ "WING" Wear
- ✓ "Spirit Bags" display and forms
- ✓ "Giving Tree" contribution forms
- ✓ Fundraiser Information