

New Braintree Grade School News

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MESSAGE FROM MRS. WORTHINGTON

The New Braintree Grade School held the first H1N1 flu clinic after school on Monday, November 16th for pre-school and kindergarten children in the Quabbin Regional School District. Several staff members & community members volunteered to help with the clinic. Sixty five children were vaccinated. My thanks to Maureen Whiting RN, Noreen Tremblay RN, and Howard Ziff from the New Braintree Board of Health, for organizing this clinic and to all the volunteers who helped to make this successful.

Thank you to New Braintree Police Chief Bert DuVernay for spending time with our second & third graders going over gun safety and gun laws on Tuesday, November 17th.

Mrs. Howard's Second Graders starred in the play "A World Record Pumpkin". The students learned all the aspects of putting on a play. They practiced a lot and memorized their lines, developed a vocabulary list of words that went along with producing a play, and made scenery with Mrs. Payne, our art teacher. The play was performed twice; once for dress rehearsal for the staff and students and again for family and friends. The Second Graders learned a lot about plays and had fun doing it!

Staff and students enjoyed the annual Nutcracker performance on Wednesday afternoon. We all had fun watching the students perform and listening to the orchestra. Thank you to Mr. Killough-Miller for organizing this special event which puts us all in the holiday spirit.

A notice went home to all NBGS families about putting together Theme Baskets for "Christmas in New Braintree". Each grade picked a theme for their baskets. The themes are:

Kindergarten: "Ice Cream Basket"; Grade 2: "Chocolate Basket"; Grade 3: "Movie Night Basket"; Grade 4: "Desserts Basket"; Grade 5: "Sports Basket"; Grade 6: "Spa Basket"; Project Create: "Italian Basket" and Partner Program: "Dog Basket". Proceeds will go to 6th Grade Nature's Classroom. Your continued support of the school children is greatly appreciated.

I wish you all a peaceful, happy Thanksgiving.

Calendar for December

December 4: First Trimester Ends

December 5: PTO Wreath Making with Bemis Farms Nursery.

Call Mrs. Rousseau at 508-867-2553 to register.

December 8, 9, 10: Santa Shop open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for students to do their Christmas shopping.

December 10: Winter Concert at 10:00 a.m.

December 12: PTO sponsored Craft Fair from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Snow date December 13.

December 24 – January 3, 2010: No School, Christmas Vacation

January 4, 2010: School Re-Opens

School Pictures were sent home on Tuesday, November 17th. If you have any questions about your child's picture please call Mrs. Rousseau at the school at 508-867-2553. Picture retake date will be announced.

Congratulations to Joe Gorski for being the Country Bank drawing winner on November 17th!

**Menu for November 24: Chicken Nuggets, Rice, Vegetables, Apple, Milk
Alternates: Steak and Cheese Sandwich or Tuna Roll**

Santa Shop is a wonderful opportunity for children to do their Christmas shopping. Items range in price from 50cents to \$5.00. There are items for mom, dad, sister, brother, baby, aunt, uncle, grandparent and friends. If you send in a check for your child to pay with it must be made payable to *Quabbin Regional School District*.

Santa Shop hours will be on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, December 9, 10, and 11 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Proceeds from Santa's Shop will go to 6th Grade Nature's Classroom. Happy shopping!!



Note from the Nurse

As more H1N1 vaccine is received more flu clinics will be offered in December. As soon as we are notified that more vaccine is in we will post the clinic dates.

**Friends of the Library – The Friends of the New Braintree Library need YOU!!
Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 7:0-0 p.m. in the library. We are looking for ideas for projects or programs. Your ideas are important!
Please join us!**



When you are writing your Christmas cards please consider sending a card to this address: A Recovering American Soldier, c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 6900 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20307-5001.

New Braintree Select Board's Office will be closed for Thanksgiving Week. The Select Board will meet on Monday, November 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS IN NEW BRAINTREE
CRAFT FAIR – DECEMBER 12, 2009**

It is hard to believe, but our largest fundraiser of the year is only a couple of weeks away. **WE NEED 100% PARTICIPATION** from our Grade School families to make this day a success once again. We request that every family bake a double batch of festive holiday cookies or a single batch of cookies and one pie (please do not send pies that require refrigeration, i.e. cream pies). In addition, we are asking you to volunteer an hour or two of your time working a shift during the day. **Please return this form no later than Tuesday, November 24th.** You will receive an e-mail reminder of what you volunteered for prior to the day of the fair. If you do not access your e-mail on a regular basis, please do not list your e-mail address below. If you do not use email at all, please remember to check your child's backpack.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ E-Mail: _____

- Double Batch Festive Holiday Cookies (type of cookie: _____)
- Single Batch Cookies/One Pie (type of cookie/pie: _____)

In addition, I will volunteer for the following:

- Help with set up Friday night 6-8pm
- Work in Café
 - 9:00 – 11:00
 - 11:00 – 1:00
 - 1:00 – 3:00
 - 3:00 – cleanup
- Work in Bake Shop
 - 9:00 – 11:00
 - 11:00 – 1:00
 - 1:00 – 3:00
 - 3:00 – cleanup
- Help with cleanup (3:00 – end)
- Runner for crafters
 - 11:00 – 1:00
 - 1:00 – 2:00
- Fill in as needed
 - Time available: _____

This is a fun-filled day for everyone – shoppers, crafters, and volunteers! We would greatly appreciate any time you could donate!!

❄️ *Fundraiser for The New Braintree Grade School P.T.O.*

Bemis Wreath Making Workshop

Saturday, Dec. 5th, 5-6PM or 7-8PM ❄️

New Braintree Grade School



Reserve the time that works for your busy schedule
Workshops either 5-6PM or 7-8PM

Also Holiday Shopping from 6-7pm with local reps from
Pampered Chef • Cape Cod Jewelry • Tastefully Simple



COST \$29 Refreshments served



To reserve your time call Brenda Howland (508)867-9848 or email brenda@1st-string.net

We Are Offering The Gift Card Fundraiser Again For The Holiday Season!



WHY BUY GIFT CARDS WITH US?

- You pay face value for the gift cards!
- There are no added fees.
- They cost the same as in the stores.
- The gift cards are available in various denominations.
- Gift cards to hundreds of nationwide stores are available.
- There are no expiration dates.

**NBGS School receives a percentage from each card,
ranging from 1.5% to 15%!!!!**

Just fill out the attached order form, put it in an envelope with a check made out to NBGS PTO (no cash please) and return it to the school. Orders due Wed, Dec. 9th.

Guaranteed delivery of gift cards by Friday, December 18th

**Any questions, contact: Suzette Howland 508-867-4563
wbitsuzette@aol.com**

If you don't see a merchant listed, go to www.glscrip.com/retailerlist/index.aspx for an enormous selection of other merchants. Simply write in your additional choices in the blank section of the order form.

NBGS PTO HOLIDAY GIFT CARD ORDER FORM

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Student Name:

Teacher:

Orders are due
Wed, December 9th!

Please indicate how you would like to receive your gift cards:

I would like my gift cards sent home in my child's backpack on Friday, Dec 18th.

I would like to pick up my gift cards at the school on Friday, Dec 18th

Give a form to friends and family and help make money without spending more for NBGS PTO!

Groceries	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Stop N Shop	\$25	4%		
Stop N Shop	\$100	4%		
Health & Beauty	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Bath & Body Works	\$10	13%		
CVS	\$25	6%		
Walgreen's	\$25	6%		
Rite Aid	\$25	4%		
On-Line Stores	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
1-800-Flowers	\$10	25%		
Amazon.com	\$25	4%		
LL Bean	\$ 25 & \$100	17%		
Eddie Bauer	\$25	10%		
Harry & David	\$25	10%		
Lands End	\$25 & \$100	17%		
iTunes	\$15	4%		
Shutterfly	\$25	9%		
Home Improvement & Home Furnishings	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Ace Hardware	\$25	4%		
Home Depot	\$25 & \$100	4%		
Lowe's Home Improvement	\$25 & \$100	4%		
Specialty	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Michael's	\$25	5%		
Radio Shack	\$25	4%		
EB Games	\$25	3%		
Game Stop	\$25	3%		
Best Buy	\$25	3%		
Staples	\$25	5%		
Apparel & Accessories	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Aeropostale	\$25	7%		
American Eagle Outfitters	\$25	9%		
Eddie Bauer	\$25	10%		
The Children's Place	\$25	12%		
Gap/Old Navy/ Banana Republic	\$25	9%		
The Limited	\$25	9%		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	\$25	7%		
Men's Wearhouse	\$25	8%		
Payless Shoes	\$20	13%		
Talbots	\$25	13%		
Children's	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Build A Bear Workshop	\$25	8%		
Chuck E Cheese's	\$10	8%		
Disney	\$25	2%		
Toys R Us	\$20	1.5%		

Sporting Goods	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Bass Pro Shops	\$25	9%		
Dick's	\$25	8%		
Foot Locker	\$25	9%		
Finish Line	\$25	10%		
Nike	\$25	12%		
Sports Authority	\$25	8%		
Department Stores	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
JC Penney	\$25	5%		
Kohl's	\$25	4%		
Macy's	\$25	10%		
Sears	\$25	4%		
Wal-Mart	\$25 & \$100	2%		
Entertainment	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Barnes & Noble	\$10 & \$25	9%		
Best Buy	\$25	3%		
Borders	\$10 & \$25	9%		
Regal Entertainment	\$9.50	15%		
Regal Entertainment	\$25	8%		
Fast Food	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
Dunkin Donuts	\$10	4%		
Panera Bread	\$10	9%		
Papa Gino's/D' Angelo	\$10	10%		
Starbucks	\$10	7%		
Subway	\$10	3%		
Restaurants	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
99 Restaurant	\$25	13%		
Cheesecake Factory	\$25	5%		
Chili's	\$25	11%		
Legal Seafood	\$25	13%		
Longhorn Steakhouse	\$25	9%		
Olive Garden	\$25	9%		
Outback Steakhouse	\$25	5%		
Red Robin	\$25	9%		
Ruby Tuesday	\$25	8%		
TGI Fridays	\$25	9%		
Uno's Chicago Grill	\$25	12%		
Miscellaneous	Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
American Express	\$100	1.25%		
Visa	\$25	2%		
Visa	\$50	2%		
Holiday Gift Card Holders	\$5.60	20%		
Donation X-mas Angels	\$5			
Other (Please specify)	Card Amount	Profit	Quantity	Total \$
		TOTAL	#	\$

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available items and
for more
information.

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New Braintree
X-mas Angels.
Each month a different
charity will be helped
with your donations!

*Please make
checks payable to
"NBGS PTO".
Place the check and
order form in an
envelope and return it
to the school.*