

# The Update

Halifax School's Weekly Newsletter

May 4, 2018

## Principal's Note

We are all able to see our yards greening up, daffodils and forsythia blooming; we can hear the beautiful sound of peepers. These markers let us know that Green Up Day is here. I hope folks will be able to participate in Green Up Day this Saturday, if you are not able to join in, due to other commitments, you can still pick up a bag at the Town Office and walk your road on Sunday. This year the coordinators are: Jessica Cooney and Hope Phelan, give them a call if you have any questions. All parents and children should meet at the Halifax School front parking lot at 9:00 AM. There Jessica & Hope will have a table with water and fruit available for everyone that participates. While we are all thinking green I have to share what I think is fabulous news: I just left our 5th and 6th grade class and they had been scouting out other rooms in search of kale! Yes, kale! Tammy Hollister has many of us hooked on her roasted kale and the students were looking for more. Slipping in new and healthy snacks seems to be easier than we thought. Thanks Tammy for adding to our "green" theme!



Think Green.

## Book Fair- Fundraiser

Please help support our field trip fund, by purchasing a book at the upcoming Book Fair. Bartleby's Book store will have books and other items for sale here at the school next week. The fair will be in our school library and is open to the public on Monday 8:00-3:00 pm and Tuesday from 8:00- 3:00, and extended hours from 6:30-8:00pm. It will also be open on Special Person's Day from 9:30- until 12:00. Please drop by!

## State Testing:

The state testing or SBAC has begun, students grades 3-8 are being asked to "show what you know". We ask that parents review the attached schedule and help encourage your children to do their best. The scores that the students receive are reflected in our school's report card, meaning the report that the AOE creates to make sure our small school is providing an equitable education compared to larger districts. We feel

confident that our students can demonstrate their skills and abilities when they apply themselves, we need your help to encourage them to do so.

### **Retreat Farm**

The Retreat Farm has provided us with a membership pass that can be used by families and staff. The pass allows free entry to the Children's Farm and Forest program for a family of up to five people. The pass will be located on our school office and parents may check it out by signing a form and obtaining the pass from Linda. This is a great opportunity. The membership expires January 31, 2019. I hope many of you will be able to make use of this offering.



### **Parents, Teachers and Community Members join the PTG Facebook page!**

The PTG has started a new Facebook page. This page will be used to update parents on meetings and events, and the group is more for parent discussion. The page is public, but membership must be approved to post; the group is closed/private, membership is also approved.

Main Page - [facebook.com/HalifaxPTG](https://www.facebook.com/HalifaxPTG)

Group - [facebook.com/groups/HalifaxPTG](https://www.facebook.com/groups/HalifaxPTG)

Parents can contact Jaymie LeVine at [halifaxptg@gmail.com](mailto:halifaxptg@gmail.com) (or the Facebook page/group) with any questions or concerns.

### **Important Halifax Community Dates**

Saturday, May 5 - Breakfast at the Community Hall 8-11; Green - Up Day 9 Am meet @ the Halifax School

Monday- Wednesday May 7-9 - Book Fair - see attached flyer

Tuesday, May 8 - PTG Meeting 7:00 in the School Library

Wednesday, May 9 - Special Persons' Day 10:00- 11:20 Dismissal at 11:30

Tuesday, May 22 - Teddy Bear Tea @ the Halifax School, 1:00 for children ages 0-5

**Friday, June 1 - Wings Session 5 Ends**

Thursday, June 21 - Last day -11:30 dismissal and Graduation at 7:00pm in the gym

# Join Us for Breakfast!

Pancakes & Maple Syrup



Eggs Benedict



Ham



Fried Potatoes

Sausage Gravy & Biscuits



\$7/adult \* \$5/child 6-12 years \* pre-school free

Wow!!

Proceeds Benefit The  
Halifax Fire Department

8-11 AM

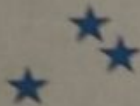
Saturday, May 5, 2018



Halifax Community Hall

20 Brook Road,

West Halifax VT



Mmm!