

# PARENT FLASH

January 27, 2012



*Come join the fun!*  
HMS  
**Spaghetti Dinner**  
Thurs., Feb 2  
Serving  
at 5:45 & 6:45

## Reach for the Stars

OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY Sustainability is a concept that is so hard to reach but highly sought after. It is often simpler to establish a goal, collect the resources to reach that goal, and implement a program than it is to sustain the efforts. That is why I am proud of the *Reaching For The Stars* program now reaching its 10 year anniversary. The primary reason for its success has been the incredible dedication we've received from hundreds of volunteers through the years to keep the program going.

What is *RFTS*? It's a 4 week course which runs in between February and April vacations on successive Friday afternoons from 2:35-3:45 PM. The dates this year are March 16, 23, 30, and April 13. It serves students in grades 1-3.

Our current coordinator is

Arlene McGrath and we are gearing up for another year. Of course, we are getting a bit nervous as we are not quite half way to completing our slate of courses. Would you like to offer a course but not sure what would work? We can use someone who knits, dabbles in jewelry, or likes to dance or teach yoga. You don't need to be an expert. Volunteers just need to share something they like to do and make it fun for the kids. This far we have *Kids in the Kitchen*, *Crazy About Horses*, *Adventures in Fitness*, and *Woodsy Wise* as our first offerings.

Please contact Arlene at [afpmcgrath@aol.com](mailto:afpmcgrath@aol.com) if you think you might be interested or if you have questions.

If you want to read a bit of history on the program, head to <http://bit.ly/yy8KxR>.

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### News from the Hopkinton Town Library

#### Musical Instrument Petting Zoo

Sunday, February  
5 4-6 PM

All ages are  
invited to join  
Concord  
Community Music  
School and their  
traveling zoo.  
Listen to demos  
and have fun  
trying the musical  
instruments  
yourself.

#### Comics Workshop

Sunday, February  
26 4-6 PM

Graphic novelist  
Marek Bennett  
will guide  
participants  
(grades 6 and up,  
adults welcome)  
in how to lay out  
and begin their  
own comics.  
Registration  
required.

I've had some questions about  
February 20 being a school  
day, or not, as a number of  
parents have that day off and  
the discussion came up at a  
Tiger Cubs event recently. It  
is a school day. Thanks.

Next Friday, February 3 we'll  
have **Super Bowl Spirit**

at Harold Martin. Given that  
the Pats are in the Super Bowl  
once again (are we spoiled or  
what?) we invite children to  
wear gear from their favorite  
football team. Hats are fine!  
Have a great weekend,

Bill Carozza, Principal

### From Our School Nurse

We would love donations of  
sweatpants or leggings and  
socks that your own children  
have outgrown. The most  
needed sizes are size  
6 through 10 for boys and  
girls. I have plenty of  
underwear for boys and girls.

Several students have  
borrowed clothes and I do  
not make calls to retrieve  
clothes, so my supplies  
have dwindled. Any  
donations would  
be appreciated. Thank you,

Mrs. Conley, RN

### "Tween School 'n Home

Week of Jan. 30 to Feb. 3

#### TSNH WINTER OLYMPICS

Monday:	Flags of our Nation
Tuesday:	Opening Ceremony/ Olympic Events
Wednesday:	Olympic events
Thursday:	Olympic Events
Friday:	Olympic Events/ Closing Ceremony

### Girl Scouts

Looking for a rewarding  
volunteer position that can  
make a difference in a  
young girl's life? Brenda  
Lewis and Stacy Lawrence,  
Girl Scout leaders for troop  
10740, are looking for a  
leader and co-leader for their  
Brownie troop, starting the  
beginning of June. We

currently have a troop of 15  
wonderful girls that are all in  
the 3rd grade. They will be  
bridging to Juniors in the Fall.  
Training is provided. If  
interested, please contact  
Brenda at  
[Brendalewis@tds.net](mailto:Brendalewis@tds.net) or  
Stacy  
at [Slaw09@myfairpoint.net](mailto:Slaw09@myfairpoint.net).