

PARENT FLASH

November 4, 2011

Parent Teacher
Conferences,
Nov. 10
No School for
students

Veteran's Day
Nov. 11
No School



Family Time....

I have to confess. The Carozzas are a digital family. I don't want to tell you how many digital devices we have between my three kids, my wife, and me but let's just say that we saved some electricity from last Saturday when the lights went out through Tuesday night when our power finally came back. I've thought about buying a generator over the last few years but with a wood stove as our main heat source and a gas stove for cooking, it just didn't seem necessary to have alternative power. I'm also not sure why our state is losing power now for multiple days but...there are unintended advantages when the lights go dark and the screens go blank.

Have you thought about having no screen times in your house? I bet you'll play more games together, have real conversations, and experience each other in a new way.

Granted, you may not have adult or teenage children like I do, but their screen habits begin at a young age. Of course, it'll be more fun if you can do this with the lights on.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Sincerely,

Bill Carozza, Principal

Student Directory

If you have **corrections** for the new PTA Student Directory send the corrections to ptahopkintonnh@gmail.com and PTA will send out a correction sheet.

Food Drive—Nov. 12



*"Help stock the
Hopkinton Food
Pantry."*

Please help stock the Hopkinton Food Pantry and other area food pantries for the coming winter. This weekend, November 5th, the Hopkinton Cub Scouts, with the assistance of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the Hopkinton Lions Club, will kick off the annual Scouting For Food Drive by leaving a flyer with information about the food drive at houses in town.

If you would like to help with this worthy cause, place your

donation of non-perishable food items (no glass containers, please) in a plastic bag or bags and leave it out at your mailbox by 8:00 a.m. next Saturday, November 12.

Scouts will pick up the bags of food between 9:00 a.m. and noon. Last year, Hopkinton Scouts collected over 5000 items of food and we are hoping to increase that amount this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!!

The Book Fair is coming!

Mark the date on your calendar. Classrooms will preview the Book Fair books on Monday and Tuesday, November 7th and 8th.

Students may purchase book on either of these days and each child will bring home a "Wish List" of titles they found interesting.

Parents are invited to shop on Parent Conference Day, November 10 from 11 to 7. The bookcases will be set up in the hall outside the Reading Room.

Thanks for your continued support of this project.

Automatic Call System

School Community Automatic Call System test (to inform parents/guardians of emergency or time sensitive information) is scheduled for Saturday, November 5, at 7:00 pm. If you have completed the Automatic Call System Registration Form

and do not receive a call, please email Betsy Wilder at bwilder@hopkintonschools.org or call 746-3473.

Hopkinton Town Library

Love Books? Thank a Tree!

Beginning November 7, Recycled books will be hanging from trees in town



- *Find one and read the book.
- *Take the bookmark to the library to be entered into a raffle for 2 friendship bracelets, one for you and one for a friend, (compliments of Marklin the Marketplace)
- *Recycle the book by passing it on to a friend.

For ages 5-12

Entries must be submitted by November 18.

One per person, please.

Brought to you with the support of The Friends of the Hopkinton Town Library.

Hopkinton Town Library Celebrates National Recycling Week Nov. 7-13

Harvest Carnival—Water for Sudan project

Saturday, November 5th
Hopkinton Middle High
School Cafeteria

Admission Prices
Adults \$5.00
Children \$3.00
3 & under Free



Fantastic Family Fun
Carnival Games
Prizes
Raffle
Silent Auction

All proceeds benefit **Water for Sudan**—a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide wells to the people in South Sudan's remote villages. Wells allow villages to construct schools, medical clinics, and businesses. Please support our project by attending.

From the Students of Grade 8 Plus History Classes