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HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL A National Exemplary Blue Ribbon School

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Hill's Mission Statement – Our purpose at Hill School is to provide a safe environment and ensure learning for all members of our school community.

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Upcoming Events:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

- Entertainment Book Orders Due

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

- 9:30-10:00 am Jog-a-Thon Kick Off Assembly

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

- 5:00 - 8:00 pm Chris Cakes PTO Pancake Dinner (Seating times are 5:00, 6:00, 7:00)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH



MONDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

- 9:15-3:00 3rd Gr. To Renaissance Center/Ford Field

- 9:30-12:30 2nd Gr. To Cranbrook (Bat Zone)

- Market Day Order Due

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

- Market Day Internet Order Due

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

- Jog-A-Thon

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL....

"Parent Involvement...

...is crucial to the health and well-being of a child. As a parent you are the most important influence in your child's success in school and in life. In this role, you have a fresh opportunity every day to get involved with your child. Parent involvement in children's education allows children to perform better in school, and navigate more easily some of the challenges of growing up, such as bullying." - National PTA

I would like to applaud all of the parents that attended curriculum night for their child. Attending curriculum night and meeting your child's teacher demonstrates that you care and want to be involved in your child's education. As I shared with parents (before you traveled to your child's classroom) on curriculum night we want all parents to maximize their parent involvement here at Hill School this year. Your child recognizes the importance of school when they see your involvement in their education at school and at home.

There are many opportunities for you to be an involved parent here at Hill. Make it a priority to take time from your busy schedule to show your child that you want to be a part of their schooling by:

- Come cheer your child on during their **Jog-A-Thon** jog times on **October 7th**. (Times are listed on the next page). This is a really fun day for the children to show their support for Hill School. If you can't physically attend purchase a "**Shout Out**" for your child so they know you are thinking about them during their Jog Time. We have a disc jockey supporting the students and giving "Shout Outs" to the students as they are running. The Jog-A-Thon is our #1 fundraiser and if we meet our goal this will be our only big fundraiser! 100% of the money raised on this day goes toward supporting learning at Hill School. We can also use **more volunteers** if you are available that day!
- Bring the family to **Chris Cakes Pancake Supper** on Wednesday! Join us for great pancakes and great company all in one evening!
- Sign up to attend a **field trip** with your child's class. Field trips are an extension of the classroom and a great opportunity for you to meet your child's classmates.
- Volunteer** to help in the classroom, be a guest reader or whatever your child's teacher may need. Students love to have mom or dad in the classroom helping out!
- Join us for a **PTO meeting** or visit the **new PTO website** called **PTO Pages**. You will find out about many opportunities for involvement there. <http://sites.google.com/site/hilelementaryptopages/home>
- Take some time to **join your child for lunch**. We have an open door for parents to join us for lunch time anytime. We ask that you call the office in the morning to let us know you are coming or to order a school lunch if needed. We also ask that you bring a healthy lunch with you if you are not buying a school lunch. We do discourage bringing fast food lunches into the cafeteria.

These are a few ways to start your parent involvement efforts this year. **Actually, if you are reading this article right now you are showing us you are involved and do care about Hill School and your child's education!** Have a great weekend!

Janice Brzezinski



TROY FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE - Sunday, October 9th
 Meet your local volunteer firefighters at the Troy Fire Department Annual Open Houses on Sunday, October 9th, from 1-4 pm. Please see the attached flyer for scheduled events at a fire station close to you!



Please remember our school times have changed. Students are not allowed to be dropped off before 8:50 a.m. Remember, first bell rings at 9:05 and the tardy bell rings at 9:10 a.m.



Hello Parents! We have had many people sign up to volunteer for the Jog-A-Thon, Friday October 7. We can use even MORE volunteers. This event runs because of all the wonderful parents that donate their time! Please email me or call me with your name and email. 248-379-4802 or alexdebbie99@aol.com.

Jog Times:

Start Time	Finish Time	Grade
9:40	10:00	2nd
10:30	10:50	K
11:40	12:00	1st
11:45	1:15	LUNCH
1:35	1:55	3rd
2:20	2:40	4th
3:20	3:40	5th

NOTE: A reminder that Entertainment Book orders are due Monday, 9/26!

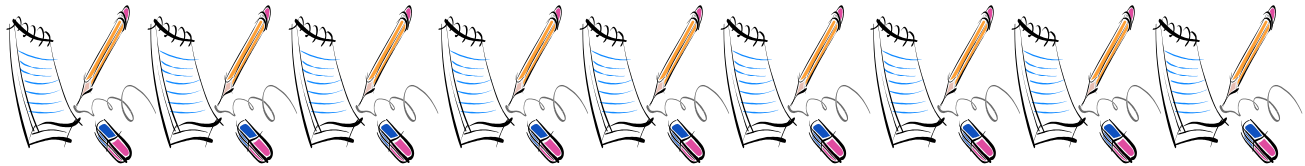


Your Hill Elementary PTO has a new website called PTO Pages.

For information on any PTO position or event check it out.

<https://sites.google.com/site/hillelementaryptopages/home>

The site is updated frequently, so check back often.



Hill Parents:

Join other parents as we raise money for Hill PTO while doing something important for your family. InPro Insurance Group will pay the PTO \$25 if you review your Home and Auto insurance policies with them.

"We got a quote from InPro and found we could save over \$300! We switched 3 years ago and have been very happy with the customer service." Gary and Danielle Clippard

"We had our existing insurance for over 10 years, and they would not offer us any discounts. I thought I should check what InPro had, and Wow! They saved us \$600!" Alex and Debbie Ballios

InPro Insurance Group has been a big supporter of the Hill PTO for several years. They work hard to make the community stronger by supporting our schools financially to promote the education of our children.

This is a win-win opportunity. Hill Elementary PTO earns \$25 for your efforts, and you will receive a professional review of your coverage. InPro will confirm that you are covered properly and competitively, and provide you with a no-obligation proposal. Ultimately, you may realize substantial savings on your insurance, and they promise not to bother you with a high-pressure sales pitch.

InPro will have representatives at our pancake dinner on Sept 28th. Please bring copies of your current policies to review with them. Help Hill PTO meet their fundraising goals to help our children learn. Call InPro Insurance Group today – tell them you want to support Hill Elementary!

Cherry Huff can be reached at 248-526-3286 or via email at chuff@inproagent.com.





UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 10/11 - 10/28: MEAP Testing
- 10/14: 4th Grade field trip - Gem & Mineral show
- 10/20: PTO Meeting @ 7 pm
- 10/31: Halloween Parade @ 2:35 followed by parties
- 11/1: Picture Re-take day
- 11/2: Jog-a-Thon Awards Assembly
- 11/2: Market Day Order due
- 11/3: Market Day Internet Orders due

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 11/4: End of First Marking Period - NO SCHOOL
- 11/9: Market Day Pick Up
- 11/14: Report Cards sent home
- 11/16: Half-Day / Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 11/17: Half-Day / Parent-Teacher Conferences - evening only
- 11/23 - 11/25 NO SCHOOL



Welcome Back to ART!



I am so excited to be back at Hill School again for my fourth year in a row as the Art Teacher for all grades! I will also have a student teacher working with me for the first half of the school year. She is an Art Education student from Central Michigan and her name is Ms. Soroka.

Some Reminders... Art class can be messy! Please don't send your child to school with a new outfit on the day that he or she has art. Please refer to list below to see when your child's class comes to ART.

ART SCHEDULE

Monday: Kaspari, Newingham/Gordon, Jakinovich

Thursday: Pennewell, McEvoy, Shankin, Cowger, Herbert

Friday: Mulligan, Thiel, Brennan, Carlin, Hartley

Many parents like to donate materials to the art room. I collect zip-lock bags (1 or 2 gallon and quart), Lysol sanitizing wipes, hand sanitizer, and Kleenex. I will also take recyclable containers from things like cottage cheese or butter to use as water containers for painting (larger is better)..., if there is any other materials or items that you think we may be able to use, please email me or stop in and I will let you know if we have a use for them. Any donations are greatly appreciated, and you can drop them off anytime in the art room.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year of working with you and your children! If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to stop by, e-mail me, or leave a note in my mailbox. My email is khosbach2@troy.k12.mi.us and my phone number is 248-823-4511.

Artfully yours, Mrs. Hosbach



TROY FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY OCTOBER 9, 2011 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

2011 FIRE PREVENTION WEEK THEME: *“Protect Your Family from Fire”*

STATION #1:

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
LADDER TRUCK RIDES
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY
1940 ANTIQUE FIRE TRUCK DISPLAY

STATION #2

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
LADDER TRUCK RIDES
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY
SPARKY THE FIRE DOG (2:00 PM)
**ADDITIONAL PARKING AVAILABLE AT MARTELL
SCHOOL NORTH OF STATION #2**

STATION #3

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
LADDER TRUCK RIDES
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY
E.D.I.T.H. PRACTICE IN THE FIRE SAFETY HOUSE

STATION #4

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY

STATION #5

FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY
SPARKY THE FIRE DOG (1:00 PM)

STATION #6

WTC ARTIFACT DISPLAY (Piece of the World Trade Cntr.)
FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
VEHICLE EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION
TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS
SPARKY THE FIRE DOG (3:00 PM)
ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY
OAKLAND COUNTY HAZ-MAT UNIT DISPLAY

**LIMITED PARKING AT STATION #6. ADDITIONAL PARKING
WITH FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE AVAILABLE AT HAMILTON
SCHOOL ON NORTHFIELD PKWY.**

REFRESHMENTS AND DRAWINGS FOR PRIZES AT EACH FIRE STATION?

SCHEDULED EVENTS AT ALL FIRE STATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE & AVAILABILITY OF PARTICIPANTS

ALL STATIONS WILL CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING:

- ⇒ STATIC APPARATUS / EQUIPMENT / CLOTHING DISPLAY
- ⇒ Q & A w/FIREFIGHTERS / LITERATURE HANDOUTS
- ⇒ FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATIONS / PRACTICE
- ⇒ TARGET HOUSE DEMONSTRATIONS (SIMULATED FIRE w/HOSE ATTACK)
- ⇒ INTERACTION WITH PARAMEDICS – ALLIANCE EMS DISPLAY



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PANCAKE SUPPER**

**Served with SAUSAGE,
ORANGE DRINK & COFFEE**

CAUTION:

“BEWARE OF FLYING PANCAKES”

**HILL ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA
WEDNESDAY, SEPT 28TH**

5:00 – 6:00pm 1st Seating

6:00 – 7:00pm 2nd Seating

7:00 - 8:00PM 3rd Seating

JOIN US FOR “FLIPPIN’ FUN”

\$5/person with preordered tickets

\$6/at the door

**LAST CHANCE TO PRE-ORDER
TICKETS MONDAY, SEPT 26TH**