

Seven Hills Charter Public School

Save the Date:

- Nov. 1: Students can no longer wear shorts to school.
- Nov 3: High School Gear Up Night 6 to 7:30pm
- Nov 5: Show Choir and STOMP AIDS Benefit at Mt. Carmel
- Nov 8: Trimester 1 ends, Parent Guild Meeting 5pm
- Nov 11: NO SCHOOL
- Nov 14: Roll on America Night 5 to 7pm
- Nov 15: SAC Meeting 5:30
- Nov 17: Family Literacy Night 6pm
- Nov 17, 18 and 21: Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov 22: SLC's go home, Staff vs. Student Flag Football Game at East Park
- Nov 23-25: NO SCHOOL



*Be kind.
Be safe.
Be responsible.*

Dear Families,

Thank you to those of you who attended Friday's Learning First Foundation Scholarship Event. We closed out the evening with the message of "Each One, Reach One" in hopes that families who participated reach out to those who could not be there to share the important messages of "Hope" and "Choice." What our children do now, each and every day, will lay the foundation for options for their futures. A whole world of opportunity lies ahead for students who build scholarly habits and good citizenship. Let's work together to make every second count.

Believe it or not, the first term will close within the next few weeks (November 8th). Just as students receive report cards (SLC's - Student Learning Contracts), so will our staff. We value your input. Students and staff members will complete surveys in their tech classes and links will be available for you to respond from home as well. Please watch for instructions to be provided by Mr. Coyne. Hard copy surveys are also available upon request. Please contact Mr. Coyne for assistance.

Have a safe and fun-filled weekend,

Krista Piazza, Superintendent

Early Learning Academy-Ms. Cox

As the weather gets cooler, please remember coats and hats! We still go outside for recess and many of our little ones are getting chilly. Students love to play and run outside on our map area. We are learning about maps and globes, flat shapes (2D) and round shapes (3D), and exploring our great city of Worcester! When you are walking around outside, great questions to ask - what shapes do you see? What is changing with the season? What is staying the same?

Please remember uniforms need to be printed with the school logo or paw print.

Stay tuned for more information about our Model Citizens Assembly and Student Work Showcase!

Primary Academy- Ms. Ambrose

Primary Academy students are beginning to learn test taking strategies. These strategies are tools that they can utilize to help them understand the structure of a test, things that will help them to identify the correct answer, and how to identify when they need a break during a test. Ask your child about these strategies and how they are used.

Each month our Model Citizen Celebration recognizes student achievement. Please remember, students must complete homework, class work, and demonstrate the Core Values and Code of Conduct each day to earn a celebration invitation. Hope to see you all at this month's celebration, October Fest.


Do you have a deck of cards? Try the activity listed below with your child by finding sums that are greater than 25.



Math @Home

Twenty-Five
Place a deck of cards face down. The first player turns over a card. The next player turns over a card, adds it to the previous card and says the sum aloud. Play continues until someone has a card that adds up to a sum greater than 25. When that happens, the player will subtract rather than add. Play continues until someone gets a sum of exactly 25.

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Parent Pointers Starting a Conversation

- ▶ Talk about what the Golden Rule ("Do unto others as you would have them do unto you") means.
- ▶ One day in the week ahead, talk about what this quote means: "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime."
- ▶ Remind your child that "A good sport is always a winner." Talk about what that statement means.

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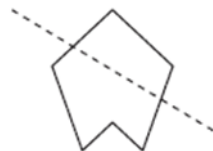
Congratulations! Last week's Primary Academy Weekly Question Winner was Devone Cates!

Primary Academy Weekly Question:

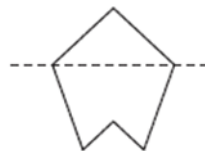
Answer the following question, cut it out, and return it to the envelope located outside of Ms. Ambrose's office. Students who correctly answer the weekly question will be entered into a weekly drawing!

Which shape is shown with its line of symmetry?

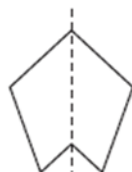
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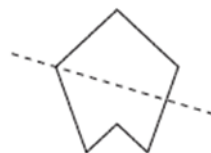
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Elementary Academy - Mrs. Nelson

Looking for an exotic vacation? Come along with the 5th Grade Science students on a trip through our solar system! Students have been busy learning about our sun and planets and can guide you on an extraordinary trip. Acting as travel agents for NASA they have created enticing brochures complete with travel routes, safety tips and facts about the planets you will visit. One class has created posters with detailed pictures of planets and key information. Check in with your child and join us on a fantastic voyage of our solar system! For more information, please check out the links below:

<http://www.manatee.k12.fl.us/sites/elementary/samoset/psgk3ex.htm>

<http://edtech.kennesaw.edu/web/solar.html>

Our teachers are working hard to update grades so you can check up on how your child is doing in each subject. There have been some unforeseen delays in launching the electronic gradebook, so if you don't see your child's grades, please check with classroom teachers for updates. Our first Model Citizen assembly of the school year is just around the corner! You can help us have a high level of participation by reminding your child to complete daily homework, classwork and follow our code of conduct and core values. Thanks for working together with us to ensure every child is able to take advantage of all opportunities to grow and achieve academically and personally.

Junior Academy-Mrs. Wright

We are back! The 6th grade students and teachers have returned from the Sargent Center, Nature's Classroom. There cannot be enough said for the bonding, communication, courage and fun that was experienced those three days by both the students and teachers. I saw students dig deep down inside themselves, to push through the toughest of tasks, and encourage and support one another during difficult and scary times. It was an amazing time and I am proud to have been a part of it. Thank you all for your hard work in selling Yankee Candles and buying all the necessary gear needed to prepare your children for a comfortable trip. It made all the difference. I think they have made memories that will last a lifetime.

The 8th grade trip is next and we are booked to go to Rocking Horse Ranch in New York. This is a dude ranch/resort that is run just like a horse ranch with all the horseback riding experiences, also with a water park, indoor and outdoor sporting activities, arcade, water sports and swimming/boating as well as scheduled night-time activities. The anticipated date of the trip is June 4-6, 2012 and a \$40 deposit to hold your child's spot to go is due by Friday November 4th. We will need to fundraise throughout the remainder of the year to cut the cost of the trip for each student. Additional information will be going home next week about the complete cost of the trip and fundraising information. You're encouraged to visit their website at www.rockinghorseranch.com.

Word of the Week: Last week's word of the week was eavesdrop. The winner and person who best used this word in a sentence was **Henrique Sobrinho**. His sentence was: *My mom was talking to my dad and I was curious, so I went to eavesdrop on them and heard that we were moving!* This week's choice for the winner was very difficult because so many students wrote great sentences! I am pleased that so many of you are entering the weekly contest now, keep those sentences coming. This week's word is **eccentric**. Please research the definition and use this word in the most creative sentence possible, and place your responses in the envelope outside my office. The winner for the month of October is **Elaine Daniels**. Her sentence was: *Before the Halloween party, Mom poured some green concoction into our glasses that was actually quite good.* Please come see me for your prize! Keep your eyes peeled for information regarding the 8th grade student council that Ms. Chan will be heading up.

Is your child 14 or older and interested in finding out what it is like to be a police officer? Check this out!
<http://www.charltonpd.org/charltonexplorers.htm>

Always be kind, be safe and be responsible and MAKE a great day!

"THE COHEM CORNER WEEK 4"

I wanted to take time to thank all the individuals that were a part of the Learning First Foundation Scholarship Gala last Friday night at Maxwell Silverman's. We gathered as a community and parents received valuable information on helping with the cost of their student's education. As a school we want to ensure that we are encouraging the student to meet all the criteria needed to accumulate points to build their scholarship accounts, and as parents please insure that your student knows the qualification for the scholarship, so they can work each day to reach his/her goals. A special thanks to staff, the administrative team and the entire community of Seven Hills for helping make the night a great event.

Please remember our annual **HIGH SCHOOL GEAR UP NIGHT** is **Thursday November 3** here at **Seven Hills from 6-7:30pm**.

This will be an extremely important night for 8th grade students and parents only. The presentations are very informative and really help parents and students make informed decisions as to where they want to attend high school.

What is High School Gear up Night? Representatives from area high schools will come to Seven Hills and set up stations in the gym From 6:00pm to 7:30pm. You and your child will have the opportunity to go from table to table speaking with the representatives about their particular high school. They may have brochures, videos, applications, etc. for your benefit. You will also receive information on upcoming placement exams, open houses, tuition, scholarships, etc.

I strongly encourage you to take the opportunity to attend as the information you will receive will be very valuable in assisting your child in making the best possible choices for their education and it will be your ONLY opportunity to get all of the information you need in one place! The following schools are invited to present: Claremont Academy, Bancroft*, Burncoat, Doherty, Holy Name*, North High, Notre Dame, St. John's*, St. Mary's*, St. Peter Marian*, South High, Worcester Academy*, St. Mark's H.S. and Worcester Technical High School (5pm-6:30 only).

Dates to remember are OPEN HOUSE DATES for Worcester High School's. If there is not a date listed, it has passed. You can try to call the school and schedule a "possible" alternative.

Notre Dame Academy - (508) 757-6200

St. Peter Marian - (508) 852-5555-Entrance Exam Oct. 29, 2011 @ 7:45 am

Holy Name C.C.H.S. - (508) 753-6371 Entrance Exam is Oct. 29, 2011 & Dec.3rd, 2011 @ 8:00 am

St. John's H.S. - (508) 842-8934 *Entrance Exam is Oct. 29, 2011 @ 8:30 am

St. Marks' H.S. - November 12, 2011 (508) 753-1170

Bancroft H.S. - (Admissions Reception) October 27, 2011 6:30-8:00 pm. Please contact the school for details (508)853-2640

Worcester Academy - October 30th, 2011 @ 1pm (508) 754-5302

Worcester Tech - November 16, 2011 6-8 pm (508) 799-1980

St. Mary's HS- (508) 753-1170-*Entrance Exam is Oct. 29, 2011

For schools with entrance exams you should call some schools require pre-registration to take the exam for their school. * Some entrance exams may require a fee.

Contact for District Schools

Claremont Academy (508) 799-3020

North H. S. (508) 799-3020

Doherty H.S. (508)799-3270

Burncoat H.S. (508) 799-3300

South High H.S. (508) 799-3325

I encourage our 8th grade parents to attend as many open houses as you can to look at all the options for your child. A number of these schools will be in attendance for our HS night. I look forward to seeing all our 8th grade parents on High School Gear Up Night. Please feel free to call me directly if you have any questions.

Mr. Lee

Coordinator of Higher Education