



The Cobbler

a newsletter of the Cobb Meadow School

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May 2007

What's New

Children and the Arts Festival

on Saturday, May 19th

(in downtown Peterborough, NH.)



Please join us as we march in the parade. We will meet by the Peterborough Elementary school at 11:45. This year children will be carrying little mosquitoes hanging on sticks. Feel free to wear a bug net or some bug thing. We will have two alumni walking on stilts with our group. We have a couple of banners to hold as well. Walking in the parade is fun.

REMEMBER NO SCHOOL

Memorial Day

Monday, May 28th

REMINDERS:

School Potluck

Wednesday, June 6th
at 5pm

CMS Last Day

Thursday, June 7th

**Summer Gardening
& Play Days**

at Cobb Meadow –

Watch for dates and times

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Hello All,

Although we were not all present at our May Day, we did have a large crowd. There were 5 siblings under 1 year old, with the youngest being just 5 weeks old. We had two grandmothers present, and many helpful parents. The pinwheel project was a little tedious for some- thank you all for your patience. I thought the end product was great with such a wonderful clackety sound. The best way to get these wheels spinning was to run- and that we did. We did a great job making up the worms and ants, and I know that our garden will flourish this year. Our potluck snacks were healthy and yummy- thank you.

We have had Spring Fever in a big way at Cobb Meadow. Even the chorus of voices when we sing grace is loud and strong. In order to accommodate the bursting energy of the children Ivy and I have been moving outdoors earlier than usual and even had snack outside before the black flies began biting. We have some organic corn that we can smash between bricks for the chickens, and we have lots of tidying up to do. We will be clearing our garden and planting soon. I already found onions for planting. Actually I tripped over them at the Agway: usually I have to ask at several stores before I find a few.

We heard a classic Grimm's fairy tale before our Spring break: The Frog Prince, or Iron Henry. Now, between birthday stories, we will hear The Old Woman and the Pixies and I will tell the story that The Cobb Meadow Players will present at Children and the Arts.. We have been singing songs about the coming of spring and seeds, mother earth and golden grains. I have been singing an African lullaby during our short rest and was recently surprised when a few of the children joined me. They have picked it right up and sing right along.

Welcome to our new student Aiden Michael Anthony, and his mom and dad Kat and Karl, and his Nana, Pam. I was happy to have a call of interest from a Dublin neighbor, and very excited to hear they were hoping to start right away.

Thank you all so very much,

Anne

* The Children and the Arts Festival *

We have hung a poster in the boot room where you can sign up to help with our food booth fundraiser for Children in the Arts. We have a simple and savory menu, which we are offering to boost our scholarship fund. **Please look to see if there is a way you can help.** If you can only see yourself being able to make it to the fun day and snack at our booth after attending the free puppet show, please do that.

The Cobb Meadow Players, made up of Libby and Jim Haddock, Anne Branzell, Jennifer Case and Fiona Spiegler, along with musician Carmen will be offering a silk marionette puppet play, [The King's Forester](#). I hope that you can join us at the Mariposa Museum on Saturday morning, 9:30 am on the 19th of May.

Are you still holding on to your re-enrollment forms and planning to re enroll? Please hand them in soon!, Soon, as in tomorrow!!

Phone Lists

Please take an updated phone tree from the top of the cubbies. We had two new phone numbers in addition to adding Aiden to our list.

In the fall, Cobb Meadow will offer lunch and rest until 2, and lunch till 1 on Friday, as we did this year. These hours do not fill everyone's needs. Please see below.

Aftercare Next Year

Are you looking for after school care for next year?

We are working to get a group of Cobb Meadow parents together to work this out! We're all committed to having our children at the wonderful school, but need extended care. There are many ideas of how to put it together. Interested in joining the conversation? Please call Beth (Oliver's mom) at 525-3252.

Also, if you think you might be interested in providing care for a small group of children please be in touch.

Spring Circle Song

Here is a beautiful song from our circle.

*Mother Earth, Mother Earth, take these seeds and give them birth
Father sun, gleam and glow, til the roots begin to grow.
sister rain sister rain, shed your tears to swell the grain,
brother wind breeze and blow, til the blades all green do grow
earth and wind , sun and rain turn to gold the living grain.*

Sun Hats

Please remember to send a sunhat for your child.



Ivy Returns

Anne's lovely assistant, Ivy Vann, will be returning for the coming 2007/2008 school year.

Parent Evaluations

Parent evaluations will be coming in your box, to be completed before the end of the year.

You can check: www.cobbmeadowsschool.org for info and downloads.

Wish List

**FOR CHILDREN &
THE ARTS.- FOOD
BOOTH:**

- a cash box
- big coolers
- big fold-up tables
(two or three
would be great.)

Scholarship Fundraising Update

Our fundraising letter raised \$850 toward our scholarship fund. Donations amounts ranged from \$250 to \$25. I had hoped that the letter would raise at least \$1000. Do you have an address or two we could mail the letter to. Only 6 more donations of \$25 would bring us to our goal!! We are hoping to make at least \$1000 at the food booth on the 19th. Please help us with this monumental effort! Having money to offer families is of value to all of us.

