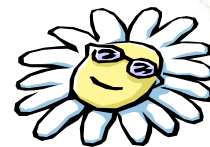


The Daisy Times



FROM THE PTO PRESIDENTS

March/ April 2017

March has come in like a Lion for sure, let's hope it goes out like a lamb. But that hasn't stopped us; at Daisy, we are true New Englanders. We started the month with an amazing evening at the Father/Daughter Dance. The girls loved dressing up and bonding with their special person, father, uncle, grandfather, and they enjoyed the evening dancing with their friends. We would like to thank everyone who made this evening a success, especially Melissa Porter, Sylvia Guinan and Brittney Fosque who chaired this event. The room and decorations looked beautiful, and the girls were stunning!

Our Spring Book Fair had us all camped out, especially Mrs. Sweet! We would like to thank Mrs. Sweet so much for all the hard work and energy she puts into the Book Fair time and time again. Family Night was an awesome adventure with friends, families, books and healthy snacks. A huge "thank you" to Lori Blair for arranging the snack table and raffles. This is Lori Blair's last Book Fair at Daisy. She will definitely be missed! Margaret Kiss has graciously volunteered to take over chairing this committee. It is also Lorie Pill's last Book Fair; the scheduling will be taken over by Kristen Squillacote. Thank you Kristen and Margaret for taking over these committees. Mrs. Sweet will be left in good hands. We would also like to thank all the parents and students who helped at the Book Fair; we couldn't do it without you. You are all very much appreciated, from setting up, helping students shop, cashiering and cleaning up ~ you make the book fair run smoothly and make Mrs. Sweet's life a little easier.

Spirit Week ended with another exciting event, "Read Across America." Mrs. Lewis always plans fabulous activities for the children, while getting them to read and appreciate BOOKS. Thank you to our amazing staff that always goes the extra mile for our children. We are so lucky to be blessed with such amazing teachers and Daisy community.

Let's not forget our annual Teacher's Valentine Dessert Buffet! We hope our Staff felt the LOVE of the PTO. Thank you to all families who baked and contributed to the yummy desserts. Kristen Schilling, thank you for organizing such a sweet treat for our Staff!

With spring right around the corner we will be planning some fun events. Stay on the look out for more information. We will tell you, one will be our annual Earth Day Celebration, which will be taking place in April. We will be needing some large clear containers, like the 32oz pretzel containers. If you have any, please feel free to leave it for Lorie Pill at the office. Also, this year we will be hosting our first annual Talent Show in May. Auditions will begin April 3 afterschool; performers are open to 3 and 4 graders ONLY! Look for flyers in the next Wednesday Folder for more information.

Finally, we would like to thank Kristen Ford, for all her efforts in getting the After School Program on its way. She has definitely been faced with some challenges, but with some help from Mrs. Rose and Park and Rec., it will finally be a Go! Kristen has been so patient, understanding and flexible with all the changes. We would also like to thank the volunteers and families for your understanding in this matter. There have been some guidelines that have changed in the last couple of years, so we are trying to follow all appropriate procedures and State requirements.

Finally, I would like to mention some open Board positions, Treasurer and President. Please reach out to Lorie Pill or Sylvia Guinan if you are interested or have any questions.

Stay Warm,
Lorie Pill and Sylvia Guinan





March 22, 2017

Dear Daisy Families and Staff,

I am delighted to share some very positive news with you about our school. Daisy Ingraham School has been recognized by the Connecticut State Department of Education as a "School of Distinction" for 2015-16, based on the results of the recently released 2015-16 Next Generation Accountability System for schools and districts in Connecticut.

Daisy Ingraham School earned a Count of Distinction in the Highest Performing category, which means that our school performed in the top 10% with respect to the Accountability Index. In addition, our school also earned a Count of Distinction in the Highest Growth for All Students category, by placing in the top 10% in this category. In the State of Connecticut, there were 65 schools recognized in the Highest Performing category and 62 schools recognized in the Highest Growth for All Students category.

Connecticut's Next Generation Accountability System is a broad set of 12 indicators that help tell the story of how well a school is preparing its students for success in college, careers and life. Indicators factored into the Accountability Index score include: academic achievement measured by state assessments; academic growth; attendance in school; assessment participation rate; physical fitness and arts access.

We are most proud of how each of our students has demonstrated academic growth and success overall. I would personally like to thank each of our families who provide support at home, showing our children that you value education and that you support our work in school. I am also very grateful for an extremely dedicated staff of professionals at Daisy who work tirelessly and expertly to help each one of our students flourish in a multitude of ways: emotionally, socially, academically and physically. Home and school partnerships, combined with the greater community of Westbrook that supports our educational efforts, make a successful equation for each one of our student learners. Many thanks to all for your thoughtful collaboration on this continual effort.

Our Daisy Community has every right to be very proud of each of our students and this important distinction, which represents a combined sum of everyone's efforts and care for our students and school.

Most Sincerely,
Ruth W. Rose, Principal





The PTO President and Treasurer positions will be open for the 2017-18 year and we need someone to fill the positions.

Anyone interested can contact Lorie Pill at mwpill@aol.com or any of the board members.

Thank you!

2017 MOTHER-SON EVENT

LAST CALL!!! Deadline extended

Please join us for Indoor Rock Climbing!

Time to get those boys out of the house!

Try something new & challenging yet fun for all ages!

No experience required!



SPACE IS LIMITED!!!

You MUST RSVP for this event by March 8th!!!

Date: Friday, March 24th
Time: 6-8 pm
Fee: \$10/climber (PAY that night)
Grades: K-4 (Sorry No Preschoolers)
Location: City Climb Gym
 91 Shelton Ave
 New Haven, CT 06511



Bus will be provided if needed!

We encourage Moms to carpool!

There is on site parking available!

Light snacks will be provided by the PTO!

Scholarships available. Contact Daisy Main Office for more info!

PE type attire required for all climbers!

RSVP : Tovah Vincent
 cell 203-820-9074
Tovah.Vincent@gmail.com

Go online to fill out the waiver prior to climbing!

www.cityclimbgy.com



Family Math Night

Thursday, March 23, 2017

Grades PreK, K, 1, 2 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Grades 3, 4 6:15 - 7:00 pm

Pizza will be served
 between 5:45 and 6:15 pm.

Family Math Night offers hands-on math activities with your child in a cooperative and fun environment.



Daisy Ingraham Elementary School Annual Art Show & Ice Cream Social!



**Build your own Sundae &
 Check out the Amazing Student
 Artwork!**

**Volunteers needed: contact Lori
 Blair at 203-710-3608 or
lblair@hpcfs.com**

**Where: Daisy Ingraham Cafeteria
 When: Friday, April 28, 2017
 Time: 5pm - 8pm
 *Cost: \$3/person, \$10/family**



***Proceeds to benefit Westbrook PTO**

Get involved with your child's education! Join PTO - We need you!



Tuesday, April 4

7pm

Westbrook Middle School

Superintendent Pat Ciccone Presents School Budget.

All families are invited and encouraged to attend.

2017

MARCH/APRIL

March/April	Ongoing	Kindergarten Registration
Thursday	3/23	Family Math Night
Friday	3/24	Mother/Son Event 6-8pm
Tuesday	3/28	Superintendent Pat Ciccone Presents School Budget 7pm
Tuesday	4/4	BOE Meeting - WHS
Thursday	4/27	3 rd Grade Concert
Friday	4/28	Art Show & Ice Cream Social

