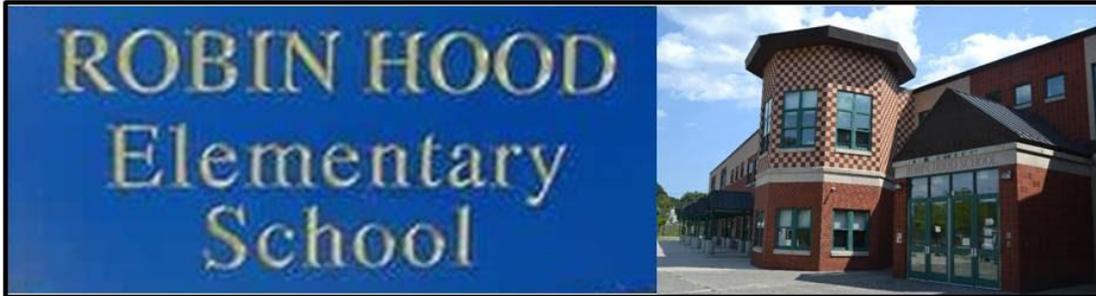


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## Principal's Message

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The last day of the school year is always exciting, but at Robin Hood it is twice the fun! The last day of school is also "**Move Up Day**". Move Up Day is the day students get to meet their new teachers, see their new classrooms and connect with their new classmates.

Here's how it works: During the morning, students will transition to their new grades and classrooms. The children spend approximately 45 minutes with their new teachers. Their teachers will help the students begin to get to know their new classmates. They also capitalize on the excitement by telling them all about the highlights of their new grade. Finally, their new teacher will introduce the students to the summer reading assignment for their grade. The morning wraps up with the students returning to their current teachers to say goodbye.

This whole experience can be bittersweet and carries a great deal of emotion. Some students will come out of school that day cheering, hooting and hollering. Other children will be more subdued and some may even come out visibly upset. We do everything possible to keep the last day upbeat and positive; however, each of these reactions is completely normal. If your child seems upset on the last day there is usually one of two reasons behind it.

One reason for the tears might be because they are sad to leave their current class and teacher. Strong bonds were formed over the last 10 months and goodbyes are hard. The good news is they can always visit, no matter whether they are going to a new grade, a new school or a new town. Our middle schoolers come back and visit quite often. We love when students that move away from Stoneham take the time to stop in and say hello. Of course students that are still at Robin Hood regularly visit their former teachers. They have lunch

together or help out in their favorite teachers' classrooms all the time, so it is never really a goodbye.

The other reason for the tears might be more complicated. Sometimes students, especially our Kindergarten and First graders, are devastated to find out they are not in class with their BFF next year. They can't imagine a school day without their closest companion by their side. They don't have the frame of reference to know that they will make lots of friends over their elementary years. They won't realize that their teachers really did make sure their new class has students that they have shown they get along well with. They may only focus on the friend(s) they are not going to be in class with rather than the great kids that they will be with. If you are faced with this scenario, the best thing you can do is reassure your child that the special friendships they've fostered this year will continue and new ones will emerge. Know that your child is resilient and while this may seem like the end of the world right now, it is really an opportunity for growth and they will be ok.

The Robin Hood staff has gone to great lengths to build classrooms that are balanced, fair and meet the academic and social emotional needs of our school as a whole. That is a huge undertaking; one we take very seriously. Setting your child and their future teacher up for success is our primary objective. We look forward to a great end of the school year and hope you have a relaxing summer. The 2019-2020 school year will be here before you know it.

Sincerely,

Maura Donoghue

## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

- June 3** - Kindergarten Screening, times vary
- June 3** - School Wide Enrichment, World of Jump Roping
- June 4** - Grade 1&2 Field Trip
- June 4** - PreK End of School Year Gatherings, 10:30am and 1:45pm
- June 5** - Grade 3 visit to the Stoneham Historical Society
- June 5** - 4th grade party (details to follow)
- June 6** - Field Day & Walk-a-thon
- June 7** - Grade 4 Icebreaker Event and Middle School Tours
- June 7** - PreK Teddy Bear Picnics
- June 7** - Grade 2 Author's Celebration Picnic
- June 10** - Field Day and Walk-a-thon Rain Date
- June 11** - Grade 4 Moving On Ceremony, 10:15am
- June 12** - Move Up Day, Last Day of School, 12:15 Dismissal

# Academic Highlights



## **Kindergarten:**

Our kindergarteners enjoyed sharing their love of poetry and reading with their families during the Kindergarten Poetry Celebration on May 29. We will be diving into our Eric Carle author study for the remainder of the school year. In math, students will be creating a 3D Museum that includes cubes, spheres, cylinders, cones, rectangular prisms, and triangular prisms. We will also be talking about summer fun and safety in preparation for our vacation!

## **Grade 1:**

Beginning on Thursday, May 30, Grade 1 is beginning the Top Ten Countdown to Summer! The kick-off is Throw Back Thursday, when students and teachers will be reminiscing about some of our favorite first grade memories. The countdown ends on Wednesday, June 12, as we "move up" to our new second grade classrooms for a visit. We also can't wait for our field trip to the Stone Zoo on Tuesday, June 4 with our second grade friends. It's a great way to end a very successful first grade year!

## **Grade 2:**

Grade 2 students recently completed their non-fiction writing and have launched into an exploration of different poetry styles. We are looking forward to the combined first/second grade field trip to the Stone Zoo on Tuesday, June 4. Finally, be on the lookout for information about our Author's Picnic! We will be inviting our second grade families in to view the different selections of writing our classes have accomplished over the course of this year.

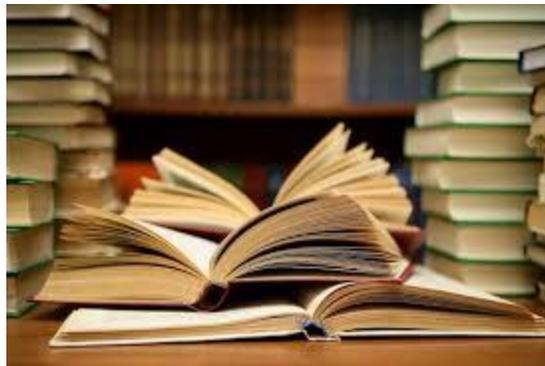
## **Grade 3:**

Grade 3 students and teachers are looking forward to the walking field trip to The Stoneham Historical Society on Wednesday, June 5, rain or shine! Students are completing their non-fiction research projects and are

looking forward to sharing them with each other. In math, students are previewing fourth grade math skills in anticipation of the transition to Grade 4.

**Grade 4:**

Grade 4 students have a busy schedule during their final days at Robin Hood School! Each student is currently working on an Imaginary Island project, incorporating a variety of geographic land forms designed to reflect the island's theme. In math, fourth graders are focusing on geometry and measurement. On Friday June 7, students from all three Stoneham elementary schools will be visiting the Stoneham Middle School for an icebreaker and tour of the building. The grade is also preparing for their Grade 4 Moving on Celebration, to be held on Tuesday, June 11 at 10:15.



**A special reminder from Mrs. Kinsky**

As the summer months approach, we want to remind you about the benefits that reading 15-20 minutes each day can have on your child's reading development. It is important for children to maintain their reading skills during summer break. We know many of you read regularly with your children and we hope that you continue to do so throughout the summer! Visit the [Stoneham Reading Teacher Website](#) for suggested free summer reading programs and for multiple interactive ways to encourage reading in your household.

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Let the good books roll!

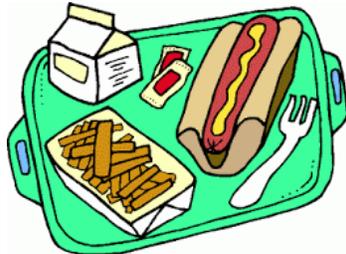
## Summer Resource Guide



Ms. Cyr, our School Adjustment Counselor, has compiled a list of summer activities, events and camps. Please click on the link below for more information:

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## June Lunch Menu



Please click on the link below for the June Lunch Menu:

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## Bay State Textile Drop Box



Click here for an update on Stoneham's participation the Bay State Textile program:

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## Summer Sports Clinics



Please click on the links below for information on several local sports clinics taking place this summer.

### **Spartans Summer Soccer**

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### **Stoneham Track & Field Clinic**

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### **Spartan Hoops Clinic**

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### **Athletic Edge Flag Football Clinic**

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### **Stoneham Baseball Clinic**

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### **Stoneham Cheer Clinic**

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### **Stoneham Girls Lacrosse**

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**Mr. K's PE School**

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**Spartans Volleyball Clinic**

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**SHS Youth Coalition**

The SHS youth coalition has created an anti-vaping PSA to help educate parents on what vaping devices and e-cigarettes are/ look like. Middle school students are exposed to this more often than elementary, but from a prevention standpoint it's important for parents to be educated and pass information along to their children in the years before they are first exposed.

Click Here for the PSA: <https://vp.telvue.com/preview?id=T01824&video=345279>

## News from the Robin Hood



### **Non 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Volunteers Needed**

Each year, the PTO hosts an event for 4th grade students and their parents/guardians to celebrate their completion of elementary school at a party just for them! The 4th grade would greatly appreciate assistance from any non- 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents to help run the stations (food table, games, etc.) so that the 4th grade parents/guardians can enjoy the event with their children. The 4th grade moving on committee will take care of setup and cleanup. We just need volunteers to help during the event on Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> (6:30-8:30pm) in the Gym. Please consider helping and volunteering for a 1 hour shift, using the sign up link below: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b48afac2fa5f85-4thgrade>  
Think of it as paying it forward so someone will volunteer when you have a student in 4th grade!

### **All Elementary 4th Grade Event**

On June 7<sup>th</sup>, all Stoneham Public School Fourth Graders will be transported from their elementary school to the Stoneham Central Middle School (SCMS), where they will have the opportunity to meet their future classmates, while taking part in fun, team building events! Permission forms were due back on May 24<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't yet turned yours in, please do so!

### **Field Day**

The annual Field Day for Kindergarten- Fourth grades students will be held on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:45AM- 12:00 PM. The Field Day Team Colors are as follows:

White: Piro, Wood, Buback, Swan & Gavin

Blue: O'Brien, Turnquist, Lazar, Grzewinski & Eberly

Gray: Amara, Chesbrough, Cutone, Gattineri & Daly

Volunteers are needed for the water table. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AFAC2FA5F85-field2>

### **Walk-A-Thon**

After Field Day, the annual Walk-A-Thon for Kindergarten- Fourth grades students will be held on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. The hope is that each child will actively participate in raising pledges for our walk-a-thon. Click here for a pledge sheet:

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The funds raised support school wide enrichment programs, activities, field trips and much more. The Robin Hood PTO is a non-profit 501c (3) and all donations are tax deductible. Cash or checks made payable to Robin Hood PTO are accepted. We are very grateful for your support of our students! If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AFAC2FA5F85-walkathon1>

### **SAVE THE DATE: Adult Trivia Night**

In conjunction with the South School PTO, we will be hosting our 4<sup>th</sup> annual trivia night fundraiser on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. Tickets sales will begin soon! Please check our Facebook page for updates.

### **Enrichment Update**

On May 29, Brent Daniels visited the 4<sup>th</sup> grade and with his Music Technology workshop, where students brought out their inner musician to create an original song. On Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, all Robin Hood students will see Mark Rothstein, a Guinness World Record holder, showcase his jump roping skills while conveying a message promoting integrity and good character. The assembly will be followed by grade level workshops for K-4, where all students will have a chance to jump rope!

Finally, the last 2 field trips of the year are to local Stoneham destinations! On June 4<sup>th</sup>, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will take a field trip to the Stone Zoo. On June 5<sup>th</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will visit the Stoneham Historical Society.

### **Thank you to SBCEF!**

Robin Hood Elementary School wishes to express our sincere gratitude to the Stoneham Business and Community Educational Foundation (SBCEF), for sponsoring Monday's schoolwide enrichment: World of Rope Jumping. The PTO applied for and received a grant from SBCEF, who generously sponsored the entire cost of the program. If you see an SBCEF event around town (fundraisers, Dining Nights, Town Day booth, etc), please help support this great organization, as they have been very supportive of our school.

### **PTO Board & School Council**

At the May PTO meeting, elections were held for the PTO Board and School Council. The Executive Board and School Council for 2019-2020 are:

Co-Presidents: Jaime Wallace & Ida Mae Campbell

Co-Vice Presidents: Kristen Keane Demitropoulos & Lindsay Silvestro

Treasurer: Jessica Killilea

Secretary: Melissa Leccese

School Council: Jennifer Rice, Cory Mashburn & Michelle Levesque

A special "thank you" to Sheri Pizzi, Michelle Mahoney, Lisa DiPersio & Erika Parsons who have served on the PTO for several years and are now moving onto the Middle School.

### **Thank you... and 2019-2020 Planning**

We've been very fortunate as a school community to have such an amazing support system. Families, faculty, staff and students have made this a great year. This year, with your help, the PTO has been able to provide \$36,000 in events, enrichments, field trips and supplies for the benefit of Robin Hood students and we still have a few weeks left! A heartfelt "thank you" to all of the families for your support this year. We realize that we ask a lot of each of you with fundraising and volunteering your time. Please know how much it is appreciated.

A special thank you to our Fourth Grade Families who are Moving On. You will all be missed!

The PTO board will be busy over the summer and has already begun planning activities and setting dates for the 2019- 2020 school year. If you have ideas for fundraisers, enrichment programs or other activities, please let us know! We can be reached through email: [Robinhoodpto@gmail.com](mailto:Robinhoodpto@gmail.com). For the most up to date information, please join our Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/RobinHoodPTO/>



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