

Hansen NewsFlash
A Weekly Bulletin for Hansen Families
June 22, 2011

What's Happening at Hansen:

- Our last day of school is this Friday, June 24th! Please remember that this is a HALF DAY, with an 11:35am dismissal.

- Our fifth graders will participate in a "**clap out**" ceremony on Friday. For anyone who has never seen this before, it is a simple yet powerful way to say "goodbye" to our graduating boys and girls moving on to middle school. The entire school (grade 1-4 students, staff and teachers) will stand inside the building, lining the hallways. Fifth graders will be led through by their teachers, with everyone giving them a well deserved round of applause for their years of hard work at Hansen. The procession will end as they exit the lower lobby doors. Fifth grade parents, please note -- in order to facilitate our normal dismissal procedures, the clap out will begin at 11:25... with your children heading out the lower lobby doors at approximately 11:30. Students can be congratulated (hugged and kissed) and picked up by parents at that time. Fifth graders taking a bus will then proceed up the sidewalk to their respective bus. Please join us for this year's clap out!

Principal's Notes:

CAPT News -- The Black and White Party at the Ponkapoag Civic on Tuesday, June 14th raised \$2800.00! Parents, friends and teachers of the Hansen joined together to celebrate summer. Live music helped the Hansen spirit and the summer feeling! The event was sponsored by CAPT.

A few items were left behind at this event. If you feel like you have left something behind, please email Sharon Stemm at auntie_shar@comcast.net or call 781 562 1514.

Please save Sunday, September, 18, 2011! Lisa Hull will be returning as a Hansen CAPT fundraiser. Lisa takes fabulous photos of kids and/or their families. Mark your calendar! More information to be sent home in September!

Hansen CAPT wishes everyone a healthy and happy summer! We hope to see you in fall at the monthly meetings. We are open to new ideas and love feedback. Have an idea? Please email Sharon Stemm at auntie_shar@comcast.net with your idea.

- Lost and Found -- Please visit our school lobby for one last look at our lost and found items! All items not claimed by the end of school on Friday will be donated to a charitable organization.

- Walking School Bus -- Our LAST day for the walking school bus will be Friday... our LAST DAY! (we walk weather permitting... probably not in rain) Please join us for a healthy walk to school. As a reminder, we begin our walk at the intersection of Hubbard and Washington St... near Crowell's Market. We leave promptly at 7:50am and parents are encouraged to join us!

- Nursing Notes -- Please remember to pick up your child's medication from the Health Office on Friday, June 24th, the last day of school. Any medication that is not picked up will be discarded. We do not store medications in the health office during the summer. If

parents give prior written permission, inhalers will be sent home with students. Please send a note with your instructions to the school nurse. Medication forms are available in the health office or on line at <http://www.cantonma.org/health/index.htm> in the section titled **Medication Administration in the School Setting**. It will be a tremendous help for you to have any necessary medication forms completed this summer if your child will continue to receive medication during the 2011-2012 school year.

- Art show projects -- Last call for anyone that wants to pick up their Clay Creations made during the art show in room 174 at CHS anytime from 7:15 am - 3:30 pm. Any left over creations will have to be disposed of by noon on Thursday 23rd

- Summer Reading List -- Please go to our school home page and look for the BOOK LOGO labeled Summer Reading Program. There you will find an explanatory letter about the Summer Reading Program, your child's reading log and a recommended reading list.

- Grade 4 physical -- A reminder to all grade THREE students (incoming grade four students) that a physical from a doctor must be on file in the nurse's office prior to the beginning of school next September. This is a state law that we must follow. Please speak to our school nurse, Mrs. Thornton, at extension 104, for more information.

- Playground Update -- The swing set at our playground is broken. The parts that are required to fix it (the joints at the top of the swing set) are on order but not available until July. Please note this and refrain from using the swings.

- E-Pack -- A reminder to check the Hansen E-Pack (electronic backpack) for Hansen and Canton items of interest. Recent postings include:

[Barnes and Noble Fundraiser \(posted 6/15/11\)](#)

[Medication Pickup \(posted 6/16/11\)](#)

[Foreign Language Program After School \(posted 6/16/11\)](#)

[Farewell to Mr. Maxwell \(posted 6/22/11\)](#)

[Extreme Field Hockey Summer 2011 \(posted 6/16/11\)](#)

For both the Hansen and CPS full e-packs, click here:
<http://www.cantonma.org/hansen/backpack.htm>.

Important Dates:

6/24 -- Last day for Gr 1-5, 1/2 day, 11:35 dismissal

*** summer vacation ***

9/1 -- Kindergarten & First grade orientation

9/6 -- First day for students, grades 1-12

9/7 -- First day for Kindergarten

Weekly Quote:

"To invent, you need a good imagination and a pile of junk."

- **Thomas A. Edison** *US inventor (1847 - 1931)*