



ESTABROOK UPDATE

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Friday, May 4, 2007

ESTAFEST! is almost here!

Saturday, May 19, 2007

11am-3pm RAIN or SHINE

Thank you for your support! This will be a fabulous community event, but it really takes effort on everyone's part to make it a success. We can always use more volunteers, so please contact one of us if you can help out. Questions? Contact Kim Coburn at (781) 863-6285 or thecoburns@aol.com or Kim Johnson at (781) 8635421 or itzmekbj@comcast.net.

Breakthrough Chicken Pox

We have had 7 cases of breakthrough chickenpox during and since April vacation. Four cases were in first grade, one in second grade and two in fifth grade. Breakthrough chickenpox occurs in children who have had a chickenpox immunization (Varivax) but whose level of immunity has declined sufficiently to allow them to catch the disease. About 15% of children who have had their immunization will catch chickenpox if exposed several years later. Because of this, many pediatricians are routinely giving a second Varivax shot along with the second MMR

immunization. Children who had the disease rather than the immunization will not experience

breakthrough chickenpox.

Breakthrough chickenpox is almost always a mild disease, often with only a few spots/blisters and mild systemic symptoms such as fever. However, it is contagious and poses a potentially serious threat to pregnant, immunosuppressed, aged, or chronically ill persons or newborn infants. For this reason, students with chickenpox may not return to school until every pox is scabbed over.

Even when a child is only mildly ill with chickenpox, it is a reportable disease so the school nurse should be notified so the proper forms can be submitted. Thanks for your cooperation.

Kathy Johnson RN

PTA MEETING REMINDER

Thursday, May 10, 6-7:30 pm,

Estabrook Library

Come learn about the Placement Process.

Child Care Available, RSVP, Jen Geller 781-862-6270 or Pam Hoffman 781-862-1434.

Calling all Estabrook Sports Fans --

We would love to have a **donation of tickets** to see the Red Sox, the NE Patriots or the NE Revolution **for the Estafest! Silent Auction!** Do you have seats that you would be willing to give up for a weekend or do you know anyone who might like to make a donation of their seats to the auction? These are usually very popular items in the auction, and to date we do not have tickets for any of these teams. If you can help us out with tickets please contact Kim Coburn at (781) 863-6285 or thecoburns@aol.com. Thanks so much for your support!

Human Growth& Development Videos & Natures Classroom Trip
 8 Math Olympiads, 4th Grade, 8am
 8 Lexington School Committee Mtg., Lexington Town Hall, 8pm
 9 ACT -New England Ensemble, 9am
 9 Supporting Learning at Home, K-2 Bowman School, 7:30 pm
 10 Family Friends
 10 Math Olympiads, 5th Grade, 8am
 10 Band Rehearsal, 12:30 pm
 10 PTA Meeting, 6pm
 10 All Town Concert (Band, Orchestra, LHS, 7:30 pm
14 MCAS Test Pilot Grades 5-7, History & Social Science
15 MCAS, Grade 5, Math 1
 15 Math Olympiads, 4th Grade, 8am
16 MCAS, Grade 5, Math 2
 16 Site Council, 4pm
17 MCAS, Grade 5, Science & Tech. 1
 17 Math Olympiads, 5th Grade, 8am
 17 Band Rehearsal, 12:30 pm
18 MCAS, Grade 5 Science & Technology 2
 19 ESTAFEST! – 11-3
21 MCAS, Grade 4 – Math 1
22 MCAS, Grade 4, Math 2
 22 Math Olympiads, 4th Grade, 8am
 22 Lexington School Committee Mtg., Lexington Town Hall, 7:30 pm
23 MCAS, Grade 3, Math 1
 24 Math Olympiads, 5th Grade, 8am
 24 1st Grade Ponding, Wilson/Quebec, 9am
25 MCAS, Grade 3, Math 2
 25 1st Grade Ponding, Ray, 9am
 28 No School, Memorial Day
29 MCAS, Grade 5, History Pilot
 29 Math Olympiads, 4th Grade, 8am
30 Grade 5, History Pilot
 30 Spring Concert (chorus, band strings), for students, 9am
 30 Spring Concert, (chorus, band strings), for parents, 7pm
31 MCAS, Make-up Grade 3,4,&5
 31 Math Olympiads, 5th Grade, 8am



ESTABROOK CALENDAR

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7 5th Grade Parents Mtg., 6pm Estabrook
