

Dates to Remember

Friday, March 26	<u>School and Extended Day</u> <u>Math Night and Dinner</u> 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 31	<u>Grades 5/6 Play - Room 216</u>
Thursday, April 1	<u>Lynn's Classes Women's History</u> <u>Oratories Evening Presentation</u> 6:30-8:30 PM, in the 7/8 classrooms
Friday, April 2	<u>NO SCHOOL – Good Friday</u>
Wednesday, April 7	<u>Julie's Classes Women's History</u> <u>Oratories Evening Presentation</u> 6:30-8:30 PM, in the 7/8 classrooms
Tuesday, April 13	<u>Rooms 117, 118 & 123 Trip to</u> <u>Children's Museum</u>
Thursday, April 15	<u>Grades 5/6 Play – Room 212</u>
Friday, April 16	<u>Grades 3/4 Colonial Breakfast</u> 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Mon. April 19-Fri. April 23	<u>SCHOOL VACATION</u>
Tuesday, April 27	<u>8th Grade Trip to MIT</u> Science Showcase
Wednesday, April 28	<u>Science Breakfast</u> 9:00-10:15 a.m. in the Cafeteria
Wednesday, April 28	<u>School Council Meeting</u> 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Music Room Topic: Academic Excellence
Friday, April 30	<u>KOED Family Night</u> 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 13	<u>Teacher Appreciation Luncheon</u>

Summer Camp Information

Information about summer camps is available at King Open Family Liaison Office. (Parent Room) A binder full of terrific camp ideas is available for you to browse through. Liaisons Lena and Neusa are there to help you find just the right program for your child.

Don't wait! Summer camps fill up fast.

Math Night and Dinner For King Open and Extended Day

Parents of students in Grades K - 6 are invited to join us on Friday evening, March 26th from 5:30 – 7:00. You will have an opportunity to learn about the math curriculum we use, try out games your child plays in math class, and understand how these games support math learning. Childcare will be provided from 5:30 – 6:30. Pizza dinner for families will be from 6:30 – 7:00. Please RSVP to Lena (617-349-6540 X 135 or ejames@cpsd.us) or Neusa (617-349-6540 X 138 or ndacosta@cpsd.us). We look forward to seeing you there.

A MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL TIM

Dear King Open Families,

Most of our grade levels have begun the MCAS tests this week. I am impressed by the seriousness with which our students are working and the positive environment that our teachers are providing. Please check in with your children to have them tell you what these tests are like for them. They are challenging tests, and we want our students to know that we appreciate their efforts.

We had an enjoyable evening at the Staff vs. Grades 7/8 Students basketball game last Tuesday. Oldtimers tell me that this win was the first for the students since 1996. Either the students are particularly good, or some of us are really slowing down – probably both. Thanks so much to the families and staff who planned the event, sold food and t-shirts and raised over \$1,800 for the grades 7/8 Trip to Washington, DC this June. Thanks also to the 7/8th grade parents who have been fixing delicious food to sell to staff for lunches many times this year.

Preparations continue for our different grades 5/6 plays, the second of which takes place this week with Room 215 presenting "Divided Loyalties," set at the time of the U.S. Revolution. Craft activity groups are meeting as well, as students in grades 3/4 practice the trade skills that characterized workers in Colonial America. And I am looking forward to our Math Night for parents, grades K-6, this Friday. We are lucky to be part of a community where so much learning is taking place.

-- Principal Tim

Edge Video Contest For Students

Science happens on the *Edge* of what is known!

Ready - Set - Download!! The Cambridge Science Festival announces its first national video contest designed to show how science, technology, engineering and math can make you laugh, cry and most of all think!

Open to all middle school, high school and college students, *Edge* invites you to create a 5 second to 5 minute video (no bigger than 2 GB) and upload it to the Cambridge Science Festival's YouTube site. For instructions and complete guidelines, [please check-out our festival website](#).

All videos will be judged by the Cambridge Science Festival's Student Advisory Council. Thanks to Google for helping us make this happen!

And the *Edge* goes to...

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THE NORTH CAMBRIDGE FAMILY OPERA

Many King Open students will be performing in The North Cambridge Family Opera production of *SPRINGTIME FOR HAMAN* the weekend of March 27/28 with Saturday shows at 2:30PM and 7PM, and Sunday shows at 1:30PM and 6PM. Tickets are \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. Performances take place at the Peabody School, 70 Rindge Ave. Cambridge. For directions, tickets and more information visit www.FamilyOpera.org KO students are in the following shows: March 27th @ 7:00 and March 28th at 6:00.

7TH ANNUAL URBAN WALK FOR HAITI

Saturday, March 27th 2010

12:00 p.m., St. Paul's Church

29 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge MA

Scenic 3 mile walk, entertainment , food, dancing

24TH ANNUAL CITY RUN/WALK

Sunday, March 28th 2010

Proceeds to benefit Friends of Cambridge Athletics & The Andrea Harvey Memorial Fund

10:30 am, Fresh Pond Reservoir. The funds from this event will support the athletics programs at CRLS and also the Andrea Harvey Memorial Fund which gives scholarships to needy high school seniors and also supports domestic violence prevention programs.

BLOOD DRIVE AND MARROW REGISTRATION DRIVE

Sunday March 28, 9am - 2pm

765 Concord Ave, Cambridge

This Sunday, March 28th, there will be a blood drive and marrow registration drive at 765 Concord Ave.

Blood appointments can be made at www.givelife.org.

Use the sponsor code 8055. All presenting donors will receive free movie tickets valid at all Showcase, Multiplex and Cinema de Lux theaters!

BRING YOUR GRANDMA TO MATH DAY

Saturday, April 10, 2010

MIT Museum, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Suggested Donation: \$15 per person, but everyone welcome. For more information please email:

mathday@thesprouts.org

CAMBRIDGE GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Cambridge Girls Softball, T-Ball League. Girls ages 6-8. Players who will be 6 years old by April 30, 2010.

8-year-olds are eligible to play if they turn 8 after January 1, 2010. Clinic, information and registration:

April 10th at the Kennedy-Longfellow School Gym (158 Spring Street) 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Games and practices are on Monday evenings, 5:30 – 7:30 PM at Raymond Park. The program is from April 26th through June 2nd. Program Fee: \$35 (second child \$20). For more information call Joe at 617-491-5240.