



# South Range School

*Please be sure that your child comes to school wearing warm winter clothing each day. The children do go outside for recess during the day unless it is raining or the temperature drops below our 20 degree threshold. It is expected that the children come prepared to go outside wearing a warm winter jacket, hat, and mittens or gloves. Snow pants and snow boots are also expected so the children can play in the snow.*



*Also, please be reminded to drive safely in the parking lot at school and around the neighborhood streets. This is most important during the morning arrival time and afternoon dismissal times.*

## Upcoming dates:

**Wednesday, January 25** – 2:50 PM 5th Grade Floor Hockey  
**Thursday, January 26** - 2:50 PM Grades 3,4,5 LEGO Club  
**Thursday, January 26** - 2:50 PM Grades 3,4 Cup Stacking  
**Monday, January 30** – Ski Club  
**Tuesday, January 31** - 6:30-8:00 PM Cyber-Safety night at WRBMS  
**Thursday, February 2, 9, 16** - 2:50 PM Grades 3,4,5 LEGO Club  
**Thursday, February 2** - 7:00-8:00 PM Substitute Teacher Workshop at WRBMS  
**Friday, February 3** - School Store  
**Saturday, February 4** - 10:00 AM Annual School District Meeting  
**Monday, February 6** – 7:00 PM PTA Meeting  
**Monday, February 6, 13** – Ski Club  
**Tuesday, February 7, 21** - 2:50 PM ECO Club  
**February 8th, 9th, 10th** - Candy Gram Sales  
**Thursday, February 6, 16, 23** - 2:50 PM 4th Grade Floor Hockey  
**February 6-February 10** - National School Counselor Week  
**Friday, February 10** – Progress Reports Go Home  
**Friday, February 10** – 6:30-8:30 PM *“A Night To Remember”* Family Valentine Dance  
**Monday, February 20** – 2:50 PM PALS  
**February 20-February 24** - Jump Rope For Heart Week  
**Thursday, February 23** - 1:30 PM Benjamin Franklin Cultural Arts Assembly  
**February 27-March 2** - Winter Vacation

## Requesting Your Feedback

As a School In Need of Improvement in the area of mathematics and reading, the South Range School staff is requesting your input to help gather data so we may closely examine our school's practices. The School Improvement Team has created a parent survey to help gather that information. The data collected will be used to reflect on our school's practices and assist us as we seek continuous improvement. The survey is online and can be accessed at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZGWRBY6>. There is also a link off of the SRS home page at <http://www.derry.k12.nh.us/srs/index.html>. Paper copies are also available in the office at your request. The School Improvement team is requesting that all surveys be **completed by Friday, February 10**.

## CyberSafety Evening

A Cyber-Safety presentation, **“Surfing with the Sharks: Learn to Surf Safely”** will be held for parents and students to learn more about how to make safe choices as a family regarding the Internet. The presentation will be held on Tuesday, January 31st, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm at West Running Brook Middle School. Presenters from the Derry School District and Derry Police Department include: Lorrie Belinsky, MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian, Kristen Cretella, Trisha DiGirolamo, Kelly Herr, Kim Hogan, Chris McCallum, Detective Lieutenant Jonathan Breen, Detective Ken Richard and Captain Vern Thomas. Faculty members from the Derry School District and students from Pinkerton Academy's National Honor Society will be available to monitor children in Grades K-8 in a variety of settings, including the gymnasium, so please have your children bring their sneakers! There will be games and activities available for various ages.



## Community Resource updates:

### CSFP "Commodity Supplemental Food Programs"

Do you have a child under 6? Do you meet the weekly income guidelines for family of: 2- \$524; 3- \$660; 4- \$796? If you do and are you are NOT enrolled in WIC, then call 486-7499 to enroll in (CSFP) this newly expanded program. Food will be distributed at the Marion Gerrish Community Center. If you qualify, you would be able to pick up canned items, cereal, rice, pasta, peanut butter, milk and cheese every other month.

### Baptist Church Food Pantry

Eligible residents may drop by whenever the food pantry is open to pick up fresh loaves of bread. There is NOT a limit of number of visits per month for bread. the pantry is open on Tuesdays from 3:30 pm-5:00 pm and Thursdays from 9:30 am-12:00 pm.

### Renew Clothing Closet

Free gently used clothing is given away approximately every six weeks at the Calvary Bible Church campus at 145 Hampstead Road, Derry. All Derry community members and families in need or just "on a budget" are invited this Saturday, January 28th from 8:00-11:30 am. For further information please call the church secretary at 434-1516 or visit [renewclothing@yahoo.com](mailto:renewclothing@yahoo.com).

### Upper Room-Family Resource Center

The Upper Room is accepting referrals for their Spring Parenting Education Classes. Call 437-8477 for information on Active Parenting 1,2,3,4! , Active Parenting of 5-12 year olds, and Fatherhood Summit.

Do you have a child aged 9-12 years old? Overwhelmed? Interested in support or resources? Please join the Upper Room's free discussion group on Mondays at 6:30-7:30 pm. Call Sue @ 437-8477 x22. For additional information, please call Maryanne Taylor, School Social Worker @ 234-8568.

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## Thank You

In last month's newsletter there was a request from Mrs. Shea, asking for donations of gently worn sneakers for physical education classes. There was a very good response to that request. On behalf of Mrs. Shea and some of our students using those sneakers, I thank you.

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## NECAP Results

The results of the October 2010 NECAP tests will be released to the public Tuesday, January 31. The students in grades 3, 4, and 5 participated in the NECAP testing last October. Your child's report will be sent home once we receive them from the state. I would expect them sometime around mid-February. The NECAP assessment scores are used to determine if schools are meeting **Adequate Yearly Progress** goals as determined by the federal legislation, **No Child Left Behind**. **Adequate Yearly Progress** scores are not determined until later in the year.

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