

# Sedgwick School Community Newsletter

April 30, 2009

## FRIDAY'S THEME

**"Bring your TEDDY BEAR to school"**



**No TV Week---TURN OFF THAT SCREEN!**

This is No TV Week! No TV Week is an opportunity for families to experience life without TV, videos, and video games, including game boys and the like. Students must pledge to limit screen time, including video and DVD movies and programs, video games, and game boys, to four hours or less for the week. Students and families are encouraged to play together as families, take advantage of the spring weather, read books, ride bikes, play ball and engage in other healthy activities. Try it for this week. You might find that these activities have a place in your life beyond no TV Week.

**No TV WEEK extends through the weekend, so No TV until next Monday!** Return pledge sheets by May 8th.

## Great Performance

We had a wonderful performance on Monday from the Frogtown Puppeteers out of Bar Harbor. The troupe did an excellent job of entertaining the students and then talking about how they did their show. It was the perfect start to the week. Many thanks to **Mrs. Monteith, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Warren** for organizing it.

## Lego Robotics Club

The Lego Robotics Club will meet on Sundays, starting May 3rd, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. If your child is interested in joining this club, please plan to attend. For further information, please contact Marti Siebert at 266-2950.

## Swine Flu

We are all aware of the growing concern with swine flu. On Wednesday, a letter was sent home to all parents that provided information from the Commissioner of Education. I hope that everyone took the time to read it. It is important for parents to know that we are emphasizing hygiene as prevention and insisting that children wash their hands before meals and other times.

**Parents should be aware that sick children should stay home.** Also, you should let the school know your child is home sick and their symptoms.

We'll keep you informed as we receive updated information, but you should also check out recent developments on local news broadcasts.

## Oil Painting Raffle

**18" x 24" Framed  
Downeast Harbor Scene**

**Tickets: 1/\$1.00 or 6/\$5.00**

Raffle tickets are available from any student. All money raised will benefit the Technology Program Fund.

The painting was done by Artist Anne Roy and donated by Judie Dannenberg.

Now that the weather has finally warmed up, kids can go coat free on the playground. The rule is that if students in grade K-4 are sent to school with a coat, jacket or sweater, they should bring it out with them to the playground, but can remove it if they want.

Let me remind all students and parents that our handbook says that students should come to school dressed appropriately for learning. No students should be dressed in clothing that is overly revealing or has logos of cigarettes, alcohol, drugs or offensive comments of any kind. Students must also cover themselves so that their underwear is not showing.

## Grade K Orientation/Screening

Beginning next Thursday, May 7 (and also on May 14 and 21), incoming kindergarten students and their parents are invited to introductory sessions here at the school from 8:15-8:45 a.m. Kids will get the chance to see the school, meet the teacher and each other. **It will also be an opportunity for parents to sign up for a screening appointment for their child.** These are important sessions for parents and kids to attend if they can and we very much look forward to meeting them.

Incoming kindergarten parents are encouraged to come and visit the school and kindergarten at other times, but please make an appointment.

Kindergarten screening is scheduled on Thursday, May 28th. **There will be no school for kindergarten students.**

## School-Wide Clean Up Day

Staff and students will participate in our annual clean up of school grounds on Thursday, May 7th (raindate is May 12). We will need stiff bristle push brooms for sweeping, rakes and shovels. **All items should be labeled for their return.** It is also recommended that students wear garden or work gloves. We will also be treated to a yummy cookout lunch by Rose, Jen and grill chef Mr. Mac!



## Upcoming Sedgwick Events

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| <b>Fri.</b>   | Bring your teddy bear to school       |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | TV Week continues.....                |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | Lego Robotics Club 2:00-5:00 PM       |
|               | TV Week continues.....                |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | K-2 Field Trip to Bucksport           |
|               | African Drumming, Group I 3:00-4:00   |
|               | 6-8 After School Study Hall 3:00-4:00 |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | African Drumming, Group II 3:00-4:00  |
|               | Gr. 4-7-Open Gym for Basketball-3:00  |
|               | DARE Program for Grade 6              |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | School Grounds Clean Up Day           |
|               | Grade K Orientation 8:15-8:45 a.m.    |
|               | 6-8 After School Study Hall 3:00-4:00 |

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