March 2008

We’d like to thank everyone for bringing in their Shaw’s receipts. We have already submitted our first bundle of $5,000 which means $47 for us. It may not sound like much but at $100 per month that’ll be $1,200 for the year! Please spread the word to your friends and families and let them know that we can also use Star Market receipts.

We are planning to place a couple of boxes around town so that members of our community and people visiting Marion in the summer can hand in their receipts. If you are able to collect and tabulate the receipts please contact Suzy Taylor.

On April 4th, Radio Disney will kick-off our NSTAR light fundraiser with a short program. This event will educate us on the benefits of using CFLs, compact fluorescent lights, versus standard light bulbs. Bulbs range in price from $3 to $4 and orders will be collected for two weeks. This fundraiser is 100% profit! To learn more about safety concerns with CFLs please visit www.epa.gov/mercury. Volunteers are needed to submit the orders to NSTAR and assist with distribution.

What do Slamwich, Rat-A-Tat Cat and Chomp! have in common? They’re all Gamewright games. Join us in the school cafeteria on Monday, April 7th from 6 - 7 p.m. to start off Skip the Screen Week. Play some of your favorite games and maybe find a new one. Information packets will be sent home very soon. If you would like to help with this event please call or send us an email.

Prepare to be entertained on Tuesday from 6:30 - 7:30 by Brett Outchunis. Wareham Pediatrics and VASE are co-sponsoring Brett’s lively show where he will wow us with some amazing yo-yo tricks.

Debbie Almeida, Diane Cook, Patricia Duane and Sandi Rosen will host Math/Science/Geography Night on Thursday from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Students will take a trip across the world! On the same night, from 6:30 - 7:30, Stacey Soucy will hold a Math/Science Viewing in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Friday afternoon the winners of the Skip the Screen Week raffle will be announced. In the evening, the Drama Club will show us everything they’ve learned.

Don’t forget to stop by the school on Saturday from 10 - 2 to view the works from local artists during Arts in Action. Please contact Stacey Soucy, ssoucy@orr.mec.edu, if you can help out with this event.

Staff Appreciation Week is planned for May 5th - 9th. More information will be forthcoming but a quick rundown is as follows: Monday, the staff will find a small surprise in their mailboxes from VASE. Tuesday, Principal Dona Mahoney and Vice Principal Matt D’Andrea have something planned. Wednesday is reserved for the School Committee. Thursday: VASE will hold our traditional luncheon where we ask each grade to provide something toward this luncheon. Friday: thank you notes from students will be delivered to the staff via our very own Sippican Post Office. If you are interested in chairing the luncheon please let us know.

As always, thanks to all the volunteers who make these events possible!