



# Earl D. Taft Elementary School

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## Monthly Newsletter for Parents

### February, 2010

#### **Friendship Week is Coming to Taft School**

Taft School will be promoting Friendship Week from February 8-12. This will be the fourth year that Taft teachers and students celebrate friendship around the school. Friendship Week activities enhance the Open Circle Curriculum on social skills that teachers implement with students on a weekly basis.

Friendship Week themes include the following:

Monday	The Only Way to Have a Friend is to be a Friend Day
Tuesday	Friendship Poetry Day
Wednesday	Give a Positive Comment to a Friend Day
Thursday	Be a Friend to a Community Helper, Senior Citizen, and/or Veteran Day
Friday	Do Something Nice for Parents Day

#### **30<sup>th</sup> Annual ABC Fair on February 6**

The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual ABC Fair will be held Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Taft School. The ABC Fair is an annual PTO fundraiser and fun for the whole family! Throughout the school, there are children's games, each with an alphabet-theme. Parents and students are encouraged to attend. Parents who wish to volunteer may contact Lisa Ahern at 508-278-3221.

#### **Grade 4 Father-Daughter Dance on February 12**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Father/Daughter Dance will be held Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Taft School. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please contact PTO coordinators, Wendy Walker at [wendyleewalker@yahoo.com](mailto:wendyleewalker@yahoo.com) or Lisa Rooney at [Lisa.Rooney@ssa.gov](mailto:Lisa.Rooney@ssa.gov) for information.

#### **Grade 4 Mother-Son Event on February 28**

The fourth grade boys and their moms will be traveling to the Worcester DCU Center to be entertained by the Harlem Globetrotters on Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please contact Jamie Fowler at [jamie0831@msn.com](mailto:jamie0831@msn.com) or 508-479-4605 for information.

#### **Scholastic Book Fair is Scheduled for March 1 – 5**

The Uxbridge Elementary PTO will host a Scholastic Book Fair during the first week of March in the Taft Elementary School Library.

March 1, 3, 4: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

March 2 & 5: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The theme this year is Book Fair Diner: All You Can Read. The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products including new releases, award winning titles, children's classics, and current best sellers. Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the fair. We hope to see you during the first week of March!

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## **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

February 6	30 <sup>th</sup> Annual ABC Fair: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
February 8 – 12	Schoolwide Friendship Week at Taft
February 9	Monthly PTO Meeting in the Taft Café at 7:00 p.m.
February 12	High Five Friday: Remembrance for Dan Stefanilo
February 12	Grade 4 Father-Daughter Dance (Buy Tickets in Advance)
February 15	February School Vacation Week
February 28	Grade 4 Mother-Son Harlem Globetrotters (Buy Tickets in Advance)
March 1 – 5	Scholastic Book Fair at Taft
March 5	Read Across America: Dr. Seuss Night
March 6	“Jungle Book” Productions (Times To Be Announced)
March 9	Music In Our Schools Day
March 12	Curriculum Planning Half-Day – 11:30 a.m. Dismissal for Students
March 23	MCAS Composition for Grade 4
March 24-25	MCAS ELA/Reading - Grade 3
March 30-31	MCAS ELA/Reading – Grade 4

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