

The Village School Voice!

September 2012 Village School Parent-School Association News



A Message From The Principal

Mr. Brian Schillaci

Ready to roll! We are so happy to be getting underway with our wonderful returning students and families, a fantastic group of new students and families, and the most outstanding staff! I am very excited to help lead Village School forward with you for the 2012-13 school year. Our whole school community always does a great job of helping with a smooth transition back to school for the children. Make sure to remember our three hopes for the children this year--- Safety, Learning, and Fun!

IMPORTANT DATES

September 5	First Day Of School
September 10	Back to School Night Pre K – 1 st Grade
September 11	PSA Meeting
September 13	Back to School Night 2 nd – 3 rd Grades
September 17	No School - Rosh Hashana
September 18	Kindergarten Meet and Greet
September 21	Village School Olympics 6 PM – 8 PM
September 26	No School – Yom Kippur

Our Back-to-School Nights begin in the new gym at 7:00 p.m.:

Monday, September 10th----Pre-K, K, 1st grade

Thursday, September 13th----2nd and 3rd grade

*****New this year---Sign-ups for November conferences will take place at Back-to-School Nights. All teachers will have sign-up sheets in their classrooms identifying available times for parents. In November, prior to conferences, a reminder about your specific day/time will be sent home with your child.**

Parental participation is one of the biggest reasons our children are so successful. The connection built between teachers, parents, and students is key for children to achieve in all aspects of school. Please make sure you keep the lines of communication open throughout the school year. By working together as a team, our students will be the ones who reap the rewards.

I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support you have shown, in preparing your children for a great school year. We are off to a great start, and I am very much looking forward to a wonderful year. I wish you the best, as we begin this journey together for a fantastic 2012-13 Village School experience!



President's Report

Dina D'Ambrosi

It's hard to believe that summer is over and a new school year is underway. The PSA was busy all summer getting ready to host some very fun events. There are a lot of opportunities coming up for you to meet new friends or reconnect with old ones. Some of the great events we have planned include Welcome Back Olympic Night, Kindergarten Family Night and Ladies Night Out, just to name a few.

The PSA provides fundraising and activities throughout the school year for your children. All proceeds that the organization raises go directly back to Village School. Many events are being planned for the upcoming school year and our success rests with you.

Our first PSA meeting will be **Tuesday, September 11th at 9:30AM** in the **All-purpose Room**. We welcome and encourage everyone to attend to learn about what is happening at Village School. There will be updates from our Principal, Brian Schillaci. The PSA also invites other Holmdel organizations so you not only know what is happening at Village School but around the town as well. Our goal is to keep you as informed as possible because we want to make this school year a great experience for everyone.

PSA meetings are generally held the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 in the All-purpose Room, so mark your calendars.

It's a great year to become a member! This year members will receive special member benefits at many of our events including member only raffles! Membership is only \$5 and includes the entire family, regardless of the number of children enrolled. Membership and donations are a great way to support the school if you are not able to volunteer your time and are very appreciated. To join now, just click on www.holmdelparents.org.

Our first member special will be a raffle for all families who become members by September 30, 2012. So join today!

If you are able, it's a great time to get involved! We have so many opportunities for you to help us with the fun. If you would like to join us in making Village School a more rewarding experience for your children, please do not hesitate to contact Dina D'Ambrosi at PSApresident@live.com or 732-946-9764 or Darlene Kiss at deeand68@comcast.net or 732-264-5559. It would be a privilege to discuss volunteer opportunities with you.

These early years at Village School will be memorable ones that both you and your entire family will cherish and we look forward to seeing everyone in the upcoming school year.

Best Wishes,

Dina D'Ambrosi
PSA President, Village School



HOW TO
WITH
THE
PSA
STAY IN
THE
LOOP

STEP 1

GO TO

WWW.HOLMDELPARENTS.ORG

STEP 2

READ UP ON ALL THE
EXCITING
HAPPENINGS
BROUGHT TO YOU BY
THE VILLAGE
SCHOOL PSA



STEP 3

BOOKMARK THE SITE
AND CHECK BACK
FREQUENTLY TO
KEEP UP TO DATE



STEP 4

“LIKE” THE PSA ON
FACEBOOK AT

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Village-School-Parent-School-Association/192253380794117?ref=ts>

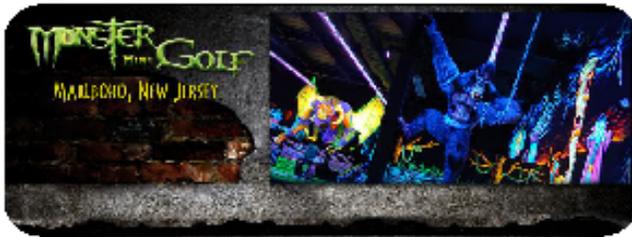




Join the Village Elementary School PSA!

PSA Members are entered to Win a FREE Family Fun Basket from Monster Mini Golf!

When you pay your \$5 PSA Membership dues by **September 30th**, 2012 you will be **automatically** entered to win a FREE Monster Mini Golf Family Fun Basket with a **retail value of \$115!**



Basket includes:

- 4 Free Passes for Miniature Golf**
- 4 Monster Mini Golf T-shirts**
- 2 Monster Mini Golf mugs**
- 2 Monster Mini Golf tote bags**

One lucky PSA member will be chosen at random during the October 9th PSA meeting. Winner need not be present. You can become a PSA Member on our website and pay with your credit or debit card! Just go to www.HolmdelParents.org and click on the Village School Membership page.

Or you can complete the bottom portion of this document and send it in an envelope, along with \$5 check (made payable to "Village School PSA") or cash to the attention of: **PSA Membership**, through your child's backpack.

You will be **AUTOMATICALLY** entered no matter how you pay your \$5 dues. **ALL** PSA members as of September 30, 2012 will be eligible. Please note that Membership dues are **ANNUAL** and are paid each school year. Only one PSA Membership required per family. If you have multiple children attending Village School you only pay \$5 total. However, all 4 schools have their own Parent Group, so if you have children in multiple schools your PSA Membership will not count as Membership within any of the other Parent Groups (and vice versa).

PSA Membership supports Village School, and gives families special offers and rewards throughout the year. So go ahead and join the PSA TODAY!!! Thank you!!

Lynn Saporito – Vice President Membership/Communications

PSACommunications@Live.com

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CHILD'S LAST NAME:		
PARENT EMAIL:		
Child's First Name:	Grade:	Teacher:
Child's First Name:	Grade:	Teacher:
Child's First Name:	Grade:	Teacher:

This Family Fun Basket is being donated to the PSA by our generous partner, Monster Mini Golf of Marlboro, the area's leading family destination for indoor glow in the dark Mini Golf fun!! This promotion is not endorsed by the Holmdel Board Of Education.



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Join Us



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Going to Kindergarten can be a scary adventure. A new building, new friends, and all kinds of new experiences can be overwhelming for our children as well as us. That is why the Village School PSA has put together the **KINDERGARTEN SURVIVAL GUIDE**. Click on the below link for very useful information to make this new milestone a lot easier to navigate.

<http://www.holmdelparents.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/KINDERGARTEN-Survival-Guide.pdf>



THE FIRST SCHOOL BUS SAFETY DRILL IS FAST APPROACHING.

PLEASE CONTACT TERRI FERGUSON at nj.fergs@comcast.net to volunteer a small amount of time.





SAVE THE DATE!

October 18, 2012

Because.....

“Moms Just Wanna Have Fun!”

...and they will!

Ladies Night Out

will be filled with

“All the things mom loves”

Basket auction, music, food, drinks with the girls, and
much much more!

Thursday, Oct. 18 7-11pm - Details to follow



Let's Show Some School Spirit

Bee Yourself

Holmdel Spirit Wear Sale

It's time to show off our school spirit and what better way then to show our Holmdel pride then with your very own stinger the bee shirt. All items are royal blue with white lettering. If you would like to purchase any of these items, please complete this order form and return it with full payment no later than September 21st to your child's homeroom teacher at Village. Please label the envelope "Spirit Wear." There will be NO refunds or exchanges.



YOUTH SIZES

ADULT SIZES

Hooded Sweatshirt \$23

T-Shirt (short sleeve) \$9

T-Shirt (long sleeve) \$13

"Bee Yourself" magnet \$5

YS (6/8)	YM (10/12)	YL (14/16)	S	M	L	XL	2xl +\$3

TOTAL ITEMS ORDERED _____ TOTAL AMOUNT: \$ _____ (Make checks payable to "Village School PSA")

PLEASE PRINT Student's Name _____ Teacher & Rm # _____

Phone # _____ Grade _____ Email _____

If you have any questions, please contact either Darlene Kiss @ 732-264-5559 or Ruth Davis at 732-264-1592.

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back to
School





FROM THE HFEE



HOLMDEL FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE
65 McCampbell Road, Holmdel, New Jersey 07733

Dear Parents,

With the 2012—2013 school year quickly approaching, the **Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence (HFEE)** is reaching out to ask for monetary support for its ongoing mission to provide critical enhancements to the Holmdel School District curriculum not otherwise available through public funding. The enhancements the HFEE offers afford students increased educational opportunities that amply prepare them to meet 21st century challenges.

The HFEE proudly supports all academic areas including the arts, sciences, languages and athletics at all grade levels for the overall benefit of Holmdel District students. Since it was founded in 1996, through the generosity of our supporters, the HFEE has raised over one and a half million dollars. This money has gone directly back to the students in the form of innovative programs, advanced learning tools and materials and improved equipment. Our philosophy of working in close cooperation with the Board of Education, administration, teachers and a diverse group of community based organizations and individuals allows the HFEE to make the most positive impact possible on student education from every dollar donated.

In the past three years, the HFEE has donated the All-Digital World Language Lab at the Satz/High School complex, outdoor classroom amenities at the Village School Rain Gardens and a state-of-the-art stage sound system for the High School Auditorium. The HFEE has also awarded approximately \$50,000 for teacher/student mini grants during the same period.

The margin of excellence at Holmdel District Schools is becoming increasingly more difficult to maintain due to state mandated budget caps and reduced state aid. This is why we need your support now more than ever. Please make a tax-deductible contribution to the HFEE at a level you deem appropriate and have your name added to our annual "Honor Roll" either by completing the form below and mailing in with your payment or by simply holding down the Ctrl button while clicking on [Donate Now](#) to pay on-line.

We also encourage you to inquire about corporate gift matching.

We wish you and your children a productive and exciting school year and look forward to meeting you at school, an HFEE Fundraiser or in the community.

Very truly yours,

Teresa Graw

HFEE Chairperson

Suzanne Walsh Foran

Annual Giving Chairperson

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Please print name as desired for recognition on the line "Name for Honor Roll"

Name for Honor Roll

Donation Amount

Checks should be Made Payable to: HFEE

(Suggested \$25, 50, 100, 250, 500, 1000)

Credit Card # _____

Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Circle one: Visa Master Card

