



Harper Happenings



Feb. 20-24, 2017

Volunteer for Harper School Cafeteria, Library, or Garden

Lunch Menu

What's Happening

Monday February 20

- No school, President's Day.

Thursday February 23

- Harper Toiletry Drive begins.
- D39 PASS Meeting, 7pm, MEC.

Friday February 24

- Deadline to return Box Tops Collection sheets.
- Deadline to donate vases or jars for Random Acts of Flowers.

Coming Up / Reminders

Monday February 27

- February Birthday Lunch with Dr. Kick.
- Harper Open Gym, 6:30-8:30pm.
- Board of Ed Meeting, 7:00pm, MEC.

Tuesday February 28

- 4th grade visit to the Shedd Aquarium.

Monday March 6

- Teacher Appreciation Week begins.
- Harper Open Gym, 6:30-8:30pm.

Friday March 10

- Last day to donate items to the Harper Toiletry Drive.

Wednesday March 15

- PTO General Meeting, 9:00am.
- Harper Open House, 6:30pm.

Monday March 20

- Board of Ed Meeting, 7:00pm, MEC.

March 27-31

- No school, Spring Break.

Dr. Kick's Corner

-Something fun for you to enjoy this week! Now you know why it takes some time to teach children plurals! This poem might give you a new appreciation of those who learn English as a second language.

Why English is Hard to Learn

We'll begin with box; the plural is boxes,
 But the plural of ox is oxen, not oxes.
 One fowl is a goose, and two are called geese,
 Yet the plural of moose is never called meese.
 You may find a lone mouse or a house full of mice,
 But the plural of house is houses, not hice.
 The plural of man is always men,
 But the plural of pan is never pen.
 If I speak of a foot, and you show me two feet,
 And if I give you a book, would a pair be a beek?
 If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth,
 Why shouldn't two booths be called beeth?
 If the singular's this and the plural is these,
 Should the plural of kiss be ever called keese?
 We speak of a brother and also of brethren,
 But though we say mother, we never say methren.
 Then the masculine pronouns are he, his, and him;
 But imagine the feminine...she, shis, and shim!

-Anonymous- (THEMETAPICTURE.COM)

Please take a moment to check in with the Harper Health Office web page! This page will be updated regularly to alert you of important health information at Harper: <http://harper.wilmette39.org/parents/nurse>

Announcements

- **Harper's Toiletry Drive begins next week-** Please bring in any donations of travel sized shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes or razors by March 10th. They are in particular need of deodorant this year. All items will be donated to Connections for the Homeless in Evanston, where they will be used in their drop off facility. These items will give homeless individuals an opportunity to shower and get cleaned up for jobs and/or interviews. Thank you in advance for your participation!
- **Cafeteria Volunteers Needed!** The cafeteria duty shift begins at 11:15 am and ends at 12:20 pm. We are short on a lot of volunteers in the cafeteria right now - especially Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Sign up by clicking this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4caeab2ca02-cafeteria> Questions? Trevor Jesse at Cafeteria@harperpto.com
- **Do you have extra vases and/or mason jars you no longer need?** The Environmental Awareness Committee will happily collect them for Random Acts of Flowers, a charity who delivers floral arrangements to the sick and elderly. We all know the joy of receiving beautiful bouquets. Our school's contributions will help RAF to not only deliver flowers but do it with personal moments of kindness. For more info on RAF, please visit <http://chicago.randomactsofflowers.org/our-mission/>. Vases should be 6-9"

tall (not too thin, not too wide). Donations can be left in a bin by the front office from February 13-24. If you have questions, please reach Aimee Stoltz or Shefali Nathan at Aimee_Prunier@yahoo.com or Shefali.nathan@gmail.com

- **Parents please join us for the next PASS39 (Parent Association for Student Services for District 39) meeting** on Thursday February 23rd at 7pm, located at MEC 615 Locust Rd. Topic is: Growing bodies, hormones, learning and behavior. Contact Janine Rosenberg at pass39@harperpto.com for any additional information
- **Fourth Graders will visit the Shedd Aquarium on Tuesday February 28th, leaving Harper at 9am.** While there, they will participate in a learning program called Science Investigators, where they will observe and investigate animals in the Wild Reef Exhibit. They will also have time to explore the Aquarium, and watch the Aquatic Show. This program is made possible by your generous contributions to iGNITE!
- **Open Gym Night at Harper is every Monday evening school is in session up until Spring Break!** This Harper tradition is brought to you by iGNITE! and supervised by a district staff member however, parents are required to stay with their children for the duration of the evening. Please bring a change of shoes to protect our gym floor and keep it clean. Thank you!
- **Contribute to the 2017 Harper Yearbook!** We want your photos from Halloween, 1st day of school, field trips, etc. Download the Jostens ReplayIt app today www.replayit.com (Password is HarperRocks) or email your photos directly to laurahirschtritt@hotmail.com or soniaesler@gmail.com

All announcements to be included in the HarperHappenings should be sent to Yvonne Kelly via the Communication Request Form at www.harperpto.com by **Mondays at 9 AM**.

For more community news, visit see News>CommunityEvents on the [D39 web site](#).

For more school information, visit the Harper PTO website: www.harperpto.com

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