



Wolf Tracks



Principal's Newsletter of Prospect Mountain High School

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Please note that report cards were distributed to students on April 7, 2006. If you did not receive a report card please contact the guidance office or you may see your child's grades using the Web2School online.

Quarter 4 Progress Reports are enclosed with this newsletter.

Important Dates:

*Thursday, May 11, 2006 is a 2-hour delay for students.
Friday, May 26, 2006 is a Teacher Workshop Day. No school for students on that day.*

This school year is rapidly coming to a close, but there is still half of the 4th quarter left. The faculty and administration remain committed to personalizing your child's educational experience at PMHS and will continue working hard until the last day of school, June 15, 2006.

We have already been working on planning for next year. The master schedule for 2006-07 is complete and individual students' schedules will be mailed to students before they leave for the summer. We are giving students their schedules early in an effort to correct any scheduling problems before classes start in the fall.

Staff Recognition

Best Practices Seminar

On April 10, 2006 faculty members from PMHS attended and presented at the New Hampshire Association of School Principals conference in Nashua. PMHS was selected to deliver a presentation on personalization of education and on student advisory programs. The faculty who gave the presentation were *Paula Adriance, Troy Corriveau, Cathy Fraser, Kim Kelliher, Vicky Sweezy and Russ Troendle.*

"ED"ies

The New Hampshire Excellence in Education Awards ("ED"ies) recently announced the finalists for this annual award. The 2006 Secondary School Finalists are

Goffstown High School, Nashua High School North, Pembroke Academy, and Prospect Mountain High School. The winner of this award will be announced at the Awards Dinner to be held on June 10, 2006.

Special Education Onsite Visit

On April 4th and 5th PMHS was visited by a team from Southeastern Regional Educational Service Center (SERESC). The team interviewed students and teachers, spoke with administrators, visited classrooms to observe students and toured the building. They made many positive remarks about PMHS' Special Education Program. We look forward to their formal report.

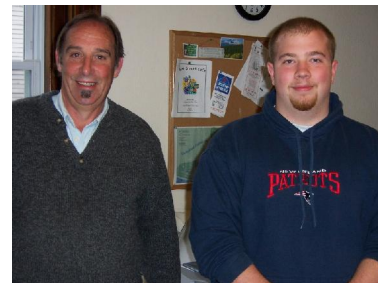
Student Recognition

Mock Trial

On Saturday, March 18, 2006, PMHS' Mock Trial team participated in the regional Mock Trial Competition against Souhegan High School and the Daniel Webster Home School Team. PMHS came in third place. Mock Trial Team Members include *Jeff St. Cyr, Megan Farrell, Ashley Dwyer, George Stevens, Dan Hopper, Amor Pagan, Jonathan Yelle, Brianna Tidd, Hilary Annance, and Brittany Dwyer.*

School-to-Work

Cynthia Zuk was featured recently in an article that appeared in the *Baysider* on April 13, 2006. Cynthia is participating in a work study experience at Wainwright Insurance Services, which is located in Alton.



Senior, Dan Pitman, pictured with his off-site work study supervisor, Brian Boyers, Code and Health Officer for the Town of Alton

Dan Pitman is currently participating in a work study through the Guidance Department at PMHS, from which he has gained some first-hand experience in his chosen field of Civil Engineering.

Destination Imagination

PMHS' Destination Imagination team competed in the regional competition on Saturday, March 25, 2006. The team came in third place.

Field Ecology Class

By Alisa Price

Mrs. Thorne's Field Ecology Class is made up of juniors and seniors who have all shown a great interest in this field of science. Each week the class goes on at least one field trip outside on the grounds of PMHS to explore the forest and what can't be seen by casual passersby. The class also hatched salmon eggs and raised the baby fish until they grew to be an inch and a half long – which is big enough to be released into the water. Salmon is a fresh and saltwater fish so the class released them into the Suncook River to help with repopulation. The class has also been learning how to identify species of trees, plants, wildflowers and wildlife around the school.

Mrs. Thorne carefully constructs her lessons around these field trips outdoors and assigns fun and educational projects to go along with them. For a final field trip the class will travel to the New England Aquarium in Boston on May 23, 2006. Mrs. Thorne hopes her class will stimulate an awareness of ecology in her students and others so that they might take an interest in making the changes that need to be made for the better in the world today.



Josh Vlk, Lindsey Turner, Elaine Bothwick scoop out baby salmon to release them to the Suncook River.



Jillian Halloran measures the temperature of the water in the Suncook River

Guidance News

Testing

Standardized testing began on May 4. Grade 9 will take Stanford 10 tests, Grade 10 will take NHEIAP tests, and any student taking an Advanced Placement course will

have the opportunity to take the AP exam for that class. Testing will continue during the first two weeks of May.

SAT Test Dates Remaining This Year

Jun 3, 2006 SAT & Subjects

Prom

The PMHS Prom will be held this year on May 6, 2006 from 6:00 – 11:00 pm at PMHS in the Courtyard. Tickets are \$40.00 each and can be purchased during lunches in the cafeteria. The Prom is open to Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors this year.

School Play

There will be three one-act plays presented at PMHS in the auditorium on May 11 & 12, 2006. The plays are the comedies *Death Knocks*, by Woody Allen *The Actor's Nightmare*, by Christopher Durang and *The Janitor* by August Wilson. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door and show times are 6:00 pm each night.

PTSA

PTSA Plant Sale

There will be a Plant Sale on May 6, 2006 from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm to benefit the *Timber Wolf Early Literacy Project*. The sale will be held in front of Maxfield Realty in downtown Alton. There will be beautiful hanging baskets of plants of all sorts for you to choose from – just in time for Mother's Day! Please come and support the Prospect Mountain High School PTSA.

Seniors Seniors Seniors

Some important dates for you:

Senior Class Trip	May 19-21, 2006
Finals Week for Seniors	May 29-June 2
Marching/Graduation Practice	June 5-9, 2006
Class Day (During school hours)	June 7, 2006
Senior Awards Night	June 7, 2006
Senior Barbecue (1:00 pm)	June 8, 2006
Graduation (6:00 pm)	June 9, 2006

In addition there will be a *Baccalaureate Service* hosted by the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center in the Moore Chapel on *Sunday, June 4, 2006 at 4:00 pm*. There will be a reception following the service in the Lombard Center.

PMHS Calendar of Events May, 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Small Business Educational Night 6:00-9:00 pm Cafeteria	5	6 Prom 7:00-11:00 pm Cafeteria and Courtyard PTSA Plant Sale 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Maxfield Real Estate
7	8	9	10	11 Delayed opening Teacher workshop School Play 6:00 pm Auditorium	12 School Play 6:00 pm Auditorium	13
14 Mothers Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Teacher Workshop Day No School for Students	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31			