

**Newfield General PFO Meeting  
Wednesday, November 18' 2009**

**Administrative Report**

Mrs. Arango

PLC – Literature and Math, all grades

SIP – In office and submitted to the Board of Education. Is available to view in the office.

After – School Programs: Asked for \$18,000, Received \$11,000

H1N1 update – The swine flu is in the building and the community. We are taking all precautions as directed by the CDC. The school is not keeping count of cases.

Mrs. Arango and the School Nurse both stress to parents, please do not send your children to school sick.

Staff – Professional Development PLC & SIP

Veterans Table – Beautiful tribute and the teacher's discuss it in the classrooms.

**Incident:**

There was a bugerlary in the area. Newfield did not have a full-lockdown, but did have a soft lock-down. All doors were locked as well as the common areas and classrooms. All safety precautions were in place and no visitors during this time. No children outside. A dog search of the property lead to a scent. Rippowam and Turn of River took similar precautions.

There were no Police at dismissal. Brief meeting at the end of the day – a Thank you to staff. Day went well and everyone was safe.

Mickey Mouse's Birthday – Kindergarten classrooms celebrated MM's birthday and celebrated in the gym with all grade levels.

Fifth Grade play will be moved to May 19<sup>th</sup> for K-2 and May 20<sup>th</sup> for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> and parents. Changed from May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dr Stevenson – Student Council Food Bank drive – Thank you.

Student Council will also hold a cupcake sale on the week of 12/14. Parents can volunteer to bake cupcakes and bring them in to be sold at all three lunch shifts. All proceeds will go to local Hospice.

**Teacher's Report: Mrs. Gallup**

Kindergarten: Mickey Mouses 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday  
Counting by 10  
Feast next week  
Pilgrims, Indians and the Mayflower

First Grade: Air & Weather  
Counting by 2's/5's/10's  
Money, Time & Coins  
Planning 2 field trips

Second Grade: Science – Soil  
Feast next week

Third Grade: Measurement Rocks/Minerals

Fourth Grade: Riverwalk Volunteer's  
Plastic Bottles – 2 liter

Fifth Grade: Sound & Light  
EDM – going well

**Treasurer Report: Liz Buzzeo**

Spirit Wear	\$2,000.00	*new items to come
CPK	\$ 350.00	
Bennys & BK	\$Going well – total not available	
Believe – Fund Raiser	\$5,900.00	*new company next year
Bookfair	\$1,600.00	

**Volunteers: Nicole Cuscuna**

All set with Co-Chairs. If you need volunteers on any events please see Nicole, Jen or Camelia

**Fundraising: Jenn Salvatore**

Lord & Taylor	\$400.00
Restaurants	Doing well
Taste of Newfield	Donations requested; gift cards

**Other News:**

*Grade A cards* – are always for sale. Please see Cindy Schwartz or Maria Otis. Form's available in the office

\*This is a great fund raiser for Newfield. If we don't use it, we could lose it.  
Newfield receives 10% of all cards purchased.

*Facebook page* – set up by Sharon DeLuca. Events posted, upcoming Fund Raisers. 75 fans and growing – check it out!

*Stamford Toys* – a GREAT place to shop.

**Special Guest Speaker:** Mrs. Celeste Baranowski (Mrs. B.)  
Stamford Public Schools, Dental Hygienist

Dental Program in Stamford Public Schools started in 1928  
To date the program covers: 25 Stamford Public Schools, 25 Pre-Schools with a total of 14,300 students.

The program is to promote; Health Oral Hygiene, Educate the Classrooms, Screening process of the mouth, Assessments and Referrals.

One of their goals is to promote Tooth Decay and decrease the need for treatment.

There is a dental clinic on-site at K.T. Murphy School, Stamford, CT.

The dental program assesses students in grades K – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>.

There is a Dental Sealant Program offered through the program which consists of a protective coating on the 6-year old molars (nearing the chewing surface) to prevent tooth decay. To qualify for this preventive care, you must have no previous tooth decay. This is offered to 2<sup>nd</sup> graders only, unless other arrangements have been made. The program has 92% participation. A permission slip is required and information is kept on file with the School Nurse.

All equipment is mobile and is taken to 8 schools. The Ocea guidelines are followed. There are clinics in the following Stamford Public Schools; K. T. Murphy, Rogers, Toquam, Dolan, Stillmeadow, Rippowam and Cloonan. They offer cleanings, fluoride treatments and sealants. Once a week a Dentist is on site. Westhill High School – also has a school based clinic with a dentist.

Private Practice Dentist \$45 - \$90 per tooth, not covered by most insurance.  
Routine Services – Free of charge. No charge to parents.

Children are taught to brush – rotate and swing. Always floss first, then brush.

Give-away of kids floss and cologate samples.