

~ Quote of the Week ~

Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently. ~ Henry Ford



26<sup>th</sup> – 3/02 – February Vacation



2<sup>nd</sup> – Read Across America/Dr. Seuss' Birthday

6<sup>th</sup> – Windham School Board Meeting

7<sup>th</sup> – Pelham School Board Meeting

13<sup>th</sup> – Teacher's Workshop (No School)

13<sup>th</sup> – Windham Annual School District Session II Voting

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17<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick's Day

20<sup>th</sup> – Windham School Board Workshop Meeting

28<sup>th</sup> – Pelham School Board Business Workshop Meeting

~ PELHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS ~

On Friday, March 9 we will celebrate Read Across America in honor of Dr. Seuss! We have invited members of our community and members of our Pelham Elementary extended family to demonstrate their support of children's literacy by coming to our school and reading a Dr. Seuss classic. This is an invaluable opportunity for our students to witness the joy of reading modeled by respected community leaders. Some of our guests include Dr. Cutler, Mary Flynn, retired Assistant Principal of PES, Selectman Ed Gleason, and School Board member, Eleanor Burton. We are looking forward to celebrating Read Across America on March 9.

~ VACATION SAFETY ~

During the upcoming vacation, we should all be extra vigilant to keep our children/students safe. There are many extra factors that put kids at risk during the winter season. Below is a list of safety tips that can be shared with your students to ensure a safe winter vacation.

1. Always wear a helmet while snowmobiling, skiing, snowboarding and sledding.
2. Do not put your tongues on cold metal. It may sound silly, but some kids still do it.

~ VACATION SAFETY CONTINUED ~

3. Stay away from snowplows and snow blowers and do not play in or on snow banks.
4. Try to skate on public indoor or outdoor rinks. If there is no public rink available, an adult should make sure lake or pond ice is at least 10 cm (4") thick. Yellow signs mean caution and red signs mean No Skating!
5. Stay away from ice near moving water, such as rivers and creeks. Ice varies in thickness near moving water and is highly unpredictable.
6. Do not build snow forts or tunnels in the snow, as they can collapse and suffocate a child.

Remember, stay safe and warm and have a great winter vacation!

~ HUMAN RESOURCES NEWS ~

A New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS) representative will be visiting your region to conduct an education session. This session will provide NHRS benefits information to Group I members (teachers and employees) of all ages and in all stages of their career. Please let your teachers and employees know about this valuable information opportunity.

**What:** NHRS Group I (employees and teachers) Education Session

**When:** Tuesday March 6, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Nashua High School North, 10 Chuck Druding Drive, Nashua

**Why:** To learn more about benefits available to NHRS members

**Who:** For employee and teacher members, spouses, employers

**Directions:** Please use MapQuest (<http://www.mapquest.com/>)

To register yourself and/or your spouse, please email [info@nhrs.org](mailto:info@nhrs.org)

**FYI:** The Connection is accessible on-line at <http://www.windhamsd.org/SAU28/sau28.htm>. Just click the link for Newsletters and chose the issue you would like to read. Remember, all feedback, comments or suggestions should be directed to [Jmeskell@windhamsd.org](mailto:Jmeskell@windhamsd.org).

~ Windham ~

*Our mission is to be a continuously improving, learning community, providing quality services to enable all children to master the knowledge and competencies necessary to function skillfully throughout life.*

~ Pelham ~

*Our mission is a commitment, in concert with the entire Pelham community, to provide quality services to each student, parent and resident through planned, focused and continuous improvement of our educational programs and practices.*