

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

APRIL 2, 2015

ENROLLMENT: 253

Our 5th and 6th grade Intramural Basketball Program finished a successful season. Four teams and played against each other on Wednesdays and Fridays for 4 weeks. The season ended with a very nice ceremony on March 25th. Thanks to the teacher coaches for their dedication to the program and also to Mr. Gulotta who happily came back to referee each game.

On March 10th, the HVRHS Guidance counselors visited Kent and met individually with each 8th grade student. The counselors helped students set up their courses for high school. Parents were invited to join in the selection process for their children.

The Region One Fourth Grade Arts Day was held on March 11th at Hotchkiss School. As in past 21 years, it was a spectacular event! Sponsored by the Arts Fund, it managed to make the arts come alive for the Region's fourth graders. Among the workshops included were: Ukrainian egg painting, Spin Color Mix, Watercolor Monotypes, Hand puppets, clay masks, theater games, Puppet games, Needle Felting, and many more adventures.

Science CMTs were given to grades 5 and 8 on March 19. We had 100% attendance and the testing went smoothly. SBAC testing schedules are in place and will be given April 23rd through May 6th for most students in grades 3-8.

The postponement of the Grade 8 Spaghetti Supper and Student/Faculty Basketball game from March 20th to March 27th had no impact on the attendance - Approximately 300 people came!! The

game was played before a standing room only crowd. It was a wonderful night out and a very enjoyable evening! A big thank you to the parent volunteers who worked tirelessly organizing this community event!

On April 1, we were treated to a fantastic performance of *Willie Wonka* performed by students in grades 5 through 8. Despite delays and cancellation of practices due to weather, the students did an amazing job due to the efforts of the Director, Sandy Kleisner and Assistance Director, Lee Sohl.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 2	Grade 3 to Swift House
April 3	Good Friday - no school
April 6-7-9	Kindergarten Registration
April 7	Grade 2 to Swift House
April 8	Parent/Teacher conferences - 1 pm dismissal
April 9	Invention Fair - Library - 12:30 pm
April 10	Grade 3 to IAIS
	Grade 2 - Judy Barrett Day
April 13-17	Spring Break
April 21	Grade 5 Housatonic River Program
April 23	Grade 3 to Music Mountain
April 24	Arbor Day Celebration 2 pm