

FOREST FORUM 1/14/10

Coming Together as a Global Community

Our hearts and prayers go out to the people of Haiti in this dire time of tragedy. Many families right here in Valley Stream, and within our own Forest Road community, have been directly impacted by the recent Earthquake. This major catastrophe will take many resources to begin helping the people of Haiti to heal and this need will be sustained over a long period of time. To begin helping, we are accepting donations for a Coin Drive here at Forest Road. We are asking for you and your children to donate any spare change and bring it to the Main Lobby where a collection jug will be placed. There is great need in Haiti at this time but as you may have seen on the News, the greatest need right now is for money. There are several legitimate organizations where we can funnel the monies and we even have a district-employee who has strong connections with Relief Organizations currently on the ground in Haiti. As time passes, the need for resources will continue and we will reach out once again with specific drives (clothing, food, toiletries) dependent on current demand. Thank you so much for your support in this endeavor.

Our school professionals, including the Social Worker and the Psychologist, are available to help with any needs your family might have in relation to this tragedy. We are supporting the teachers in how to address concerns or questions and are meeting with individual children who might be experiencing difficulty at this time. We extend this support to our families as well, in case you have any questions on how to talk to your children about this event and its aftermath or are concerned about its impact on your family. Additionally, our District Website will soon have suggestions on how to help children through upsetting situations for your review. If you need any assistance at all, please do not hesitate to contact our Social Worker, Mrs. Ragone, School Psychologist, Dr. Casella or myself.

Thank you,
Mrs. Malone

PTA Updates

- 1/20 @ 7 PM Pizza with Dr. Kanas, Superintendent of Schools and information regarding the new Parent Portal.
- 1/29 6:30 PM WINGO!!
- 2/1 PARP program begins
- 2/2 Book Fair Preview (Evening)
- 2/3 & 2/4 Book Fair

If anyone has unwanted gifts from the recent holidays or would like to donate items to our WINGO event for raffle prizes, please drop them off in the Main Office of school. Thank you for your help. We know it is going to be a fun-filled evening!

Upcoming Events

1/14 BLT Meeting 3 PM
1/23 Facilities Tour @ Forest Road TBD
1/25 BOE Meeting @ 8PM Shaw Ave.
1/26 PTA sponsored presentation
The Singing Bus Driver-students only

Sharing Our Learning

Congratulations to the **5th Grade** Students on their amazing Power Point presentations featuring The Human Body Systems this past week. The students in Ms. Rashkin's and Ms. Argento's classes spent time learning about how our body works and the operations of the Skeletal, Muscular, Respiratory, Nervous, Digestive and Immune Systems. Working in partnerships, the students investigated and researched a specific system and organized their findings into a Power Point which was then presented to parents and other invited guests. The presentations were outstanding and our presenters provided guests with interesting and creative information. A big Shout Out to our teachers for their hard work in incorporating 21st Century Skills into our daily learning and to Mr. Antoniato from the Computer Lab for his technical assistance. BRAVO!!!

Forest Road School

September 24, 2009

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Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to re-

fer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind

readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.



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If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.

Inside Story Headline



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This story can fit 100-150 words.

The subject matter that appears in newsletters is virtually endless. You can include stories that focus on current technologies or innovations in your field.

You may also want to note business or economic trends, or make predictions for your customers or clients.

If the newsletter is distributed internally, you might comment upon new

“To catch the reader’s attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”

procedures or improvements to the business. Sales figures or earnings will show how your business is growing.

Some newsletters include a column that is updated every issue, for instance, an advice column, a book review, a letter from the president, or an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

Inside Story Headline

This story can fit 75-125 words.

Selecting pictures or graphics is an important part of adding content to your newsletter.

Think about your article and ask yourself if the picture supports or enhances the message you’re trying to convey. Avoid selecting images that appear to be out of context.

Microsoft Publisher includes thousands

of clip art images from which you can choose and import into your newsletter. There are also several tools you can use to draw shapes and symbols.

Once you have chosen an image, place it close to the article. Be sure



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to place the caption of the image near the image.

