

Doyon News

OCTOBER 14, 2021

DEAR DOYON FAMILIES,

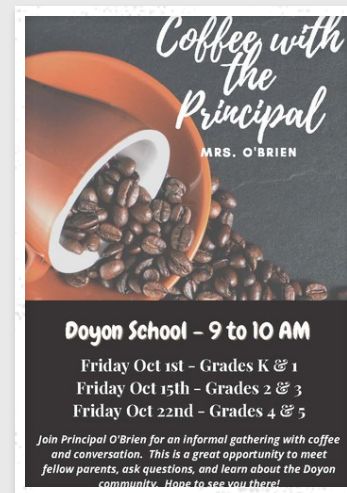
We hope that you enjoyed an extended long weekend with your families. During this past Tuesday, all faculty in the district shared a Professional Development Day. Teachers and staff members had the opportunity to choose workshops in many areas of the curriculum. Keynote speaker, Lynn Lyons, spoke to the district about managing anxiety, and her book "*Anxious Kids, Anxious Parents, 7 Ways to Stop the Worry Cycle*".

Tomorrow, I am looking forward to welcoming available second and third-grade parents at the Principal's Coffee.

Please read through this issue of the Doyon News, including a note about the developing district homework policy. As always, please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Fondly,

Sarah O'Brien



WALK & BIKE TO SCHOOL

Walk and Bike to School Day is Wednesday, October 20, 2021.

Bikers can meet our Ipswich Police Officer Ruggiero and other volunteers at the front of the High School (turf field side) near the tennis courts on School Street at 8:00 am.



Walkers can meet Physical Education Teacher Whitney Cardew at the Mile Lane athletic fields' parking lot by 8:15 am to walk to Doyon.

Families that are participating are responsible for making arrangements to get their children and bikes home during school hours.



DOYON SCHOOL ART CLUB

All Grade levels are welcome!

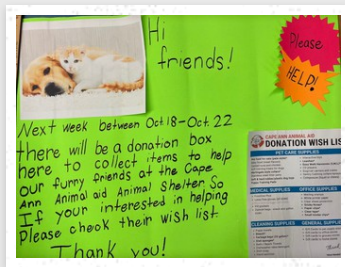
Click on the flyer for complete information.

Sign up today, deadline is October 21st.

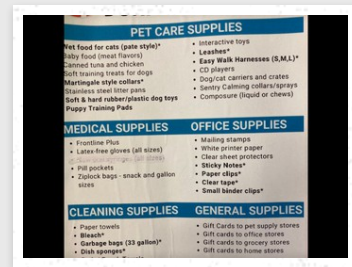
[Art Club Sign Up Form](#)

D.E.E.P. – DOYON'S EXTRAORDINARY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM!

A BIG thank you to all who have sign up to volunteer their time and skills to this always exciting program. We are finalizing our course offerings and will be sharing that information soon. Stay tuned!



Donation Drive for
Cape Ann Animal Aid
& Animal Shelter



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WISH LIST

UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR!

School Picture Day has been **rescheduled** from Wednesday, November 10th to **Tuesday, November 9th**.

Please mark your calendar, especially if your student was absent on the original picture day (September 29th).



CURRICULUM CORNER... FOCUS ON HOMEWORK

Faculty and staff in the district of Ipswich have been discussing the homework policy and how it may apply to students' routines post-COVID. The policy is in a draft form and will be shared in its completion in the next month or so. In the meantime, please defer to your students' teacher regarding homework. Some grade levels may be sending home activities that are to be completed at home. The goal of the district is to increase school/home communications and extend learning in a positive manner. Thank you for your support.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL?

[Doyon School Calendar](#)

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

[October Lunch Menu](#)



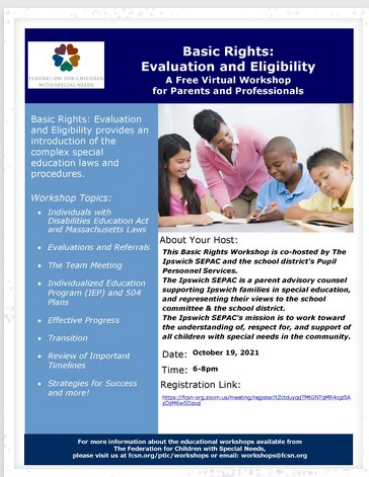
WINTER WARM UP SALE

Ascension Memorial Church, 31 County Street, will be hosting its 15th annual Winter Warm Up Sale on Saturday October 16th from 9am - 2pm & Sunday October 17th from 11am - 1pm.

This event offers gently used and new winter clothing and accessories at great prices. All proceeds go to Birth to Three and Ipswich Caring.

Find out more about the [Winter Warm Up Sale](#)





Basic Rights: Evaluation and Eligibility
A Free Virtual Workshop for Parents and Professionals

Basic Rights: Evaluation and Eligibility provides an introduction of the complex special education laws and procedures.

Workshop Topics:

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Massachusetts Laws
- Evaluations and Referrals
- The Team Meeting
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) and 504 Plans
- Effective Progress
- Transition
- Review of Important Timelines
- Strategies for Success and more!

About Your Host:
This Basic Rights Workshop is co-hosted by The Ipswich SEPAC and the school district's Pupil Personnel Services.
The Ipswich SEPAC is a parent advisory council supporting Ipswich families in special education, and representing their views to the school committee & the school district.
The Ipswich SEPAC's mission is to work toward the understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs in the community.

Date: October 19, 2021
Time: 6-8pm
Registration Link:
<https://psn.org.uk/meeting/register/2288492765212684824>

For more information about the educational workshops available from The Federation for Children with Special Needs, please visit us at fcsn.org or email: workshops@fcsn.org

BASIC RIGHTS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, October 19th, 6-8pm; Zoom Workshop
FCSN/MassPAC Basic Rights Workshop
"Evaluation & Eligibility"

If your exceptional child has an IEP or 504 plan, this workshop will help you understand process, rights and support for your child. Here is the link to register:

[Basic Rights Workshop Registration](https://psn.org.uk/meeting/register/2288492765212684824)

Following registration, you'll receive an email from FCSN/MassPAC with the ZOOM meeting link and access codes. There will be handouts emailed to registered attendees on the day of the presentation. Hosted by the Ipswich SEPAC and Dept of Pupil Personnel Services. Please join us!

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST FOR KIDS

Sponsored by Bank Gloucester

Students in Kindergarten through Grade 5 are eligible to participate. Prizes will be awarded!

Click on the flyer for information on how to enter, contest period and prizes.



CINDERELLA
"I'd say the first thing you need is ... a pumpkin."

START HERE GET THERE

Bank Gloucester's Pumpkin Decorating Contest for Kids!

Bank Gloucester is looking for creative and talented young pumpkin decorators! To enter this year's Bank Gloucester Pumpkin Decorating Contest, please enter this year's Bank Gloucester Pumpkin Decorating Contest!

Prizes will be awarded:

Top prize \$100, 2nd \$25 and 3rd-10th \$10. Grades K through 5 are eligible to participate. Each winner will receive a gift certificate to a local business. Customers and the general public will vote for their favorite pumpkin design. The prize winners do not need to be Bank Gloucester customers to enter. No purchase required to enter or win.

Contest Period:

Decorations can be picked up at the Ipswich Branch from October 18th through the 19th. Decorated pumpkins should be returned to the Ipswich Branch by October 20th, 2021.

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