

# Callahan School Newsletter



November 1, 2009

## A Message from The Principal.....

The busy month of October is now behind us. There has been a lot that has happened this past month and it seems like the holidays will be upon us very shortly.

I would like to thank all of our families for all of their help during our Red Ribbon Week activities. Without your help, events like Red Rib-

bon Week would be impossible to pull off. I would also like to thank all of the Callahan staff for their hard work as well. I really think the Callahan students got the message about making the choice to stay drug free!!!

The students should also be commended for all of their hard work in bringing in

canned goods for Mr. Feinstein's Food Challenge. I will be reporting the totals later in this newsletter. For the Month of November, we will be asking students to bring in specific items for our Food drive for Thanksgiving. Please help us help the needy during the holiday season.



### Dates To Remember:

- ✓ November 2- PTF Meeting
- ✓ November 11- No School Veteran's Day
- ✓ November 17- 6:00PM SIT meeting in Media Center
- ✓ November 20- Food Basket will be made
- ✓ November 24- Picture Re-take
- ✓ November 25- 5th Grade to Trinity
- ✓ November 26 & 27- Thanksgiving Break

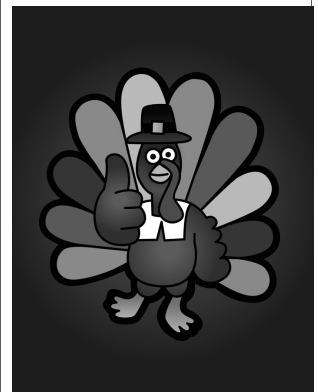
## What's On Tap For November....

November is not nearly as busy as October. However, there are still a few things that I would like to share with our families.

**Thanksgiving Baskets**-Each classroom is collecting a specific food item for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. We do this to try to

make equal baskets. In addition to food items, we are also taking monetary donations for these baskets.

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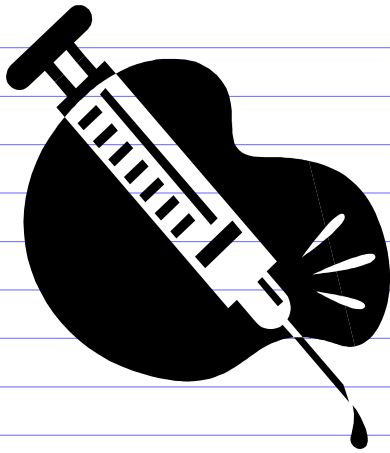


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### **H1N1 Consent Forms-**

Consent forms went home with your children over the past couple of weeks. These forms need to be filled out and returned to the school as soon as possible. A child cannot have a shot without this form. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.



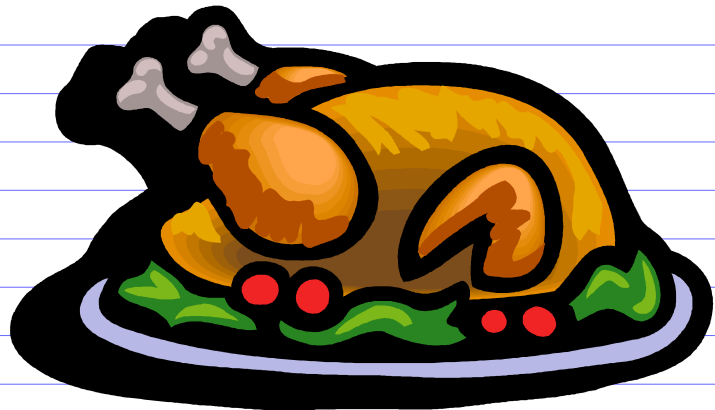
**PTF Meeting-**Our PTF meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. Please join us as we prepare for upcoming events.

**SIT Meeting-**Our School improvement team will be meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 6:00PM in the school Library. Please join us if you can, we will be finalizing our Parent survey.

name and information will be kept confidential. We would be more than happy to help our families out during the holiday season.

### **4th and 5th Grade Trip to**

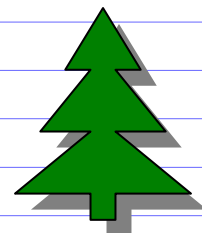
**Nature's classroom-**There will be some paperwork coming home shortly for all of our 4th and 5th grade students. This year our students will be going to the Charlton Campus for Nature's Classroom on



**Veteran's Day-** A reminder.....There will be no school on November 11, 2009 in observance of Veteran's Day. The school will be represented at the Veteran's ceremony at the bridge way in Pascoag. Our 5th grade students made cards and letters for our soldiers.

**Thanksgiving Day Food Baskets-** On Friday, November 20, 2009, Parents and staff will be putting together our Thanksgiving day food baskets. Please remember, if you have fallen on hard times and could use some help this holiday, please let the principal at Callahan know. Your

March 29-April 1. The trip will cost about \$260. This is an overnight trip and it includes all meals, transportation and classes.



# Good Deeds at Callahan.....

October Food Drive- The Callahan students did a great job of meeting Mr. Feinstein's October food challenge. Our students collected 776 canned goods that we were able to donate to the Berean Baptist Church's food pantry. Our students' good deeds will help out the needy in our town.

## Thanksgiving Baskets

It's that time of year again! This year, we are asking all our Callahan families to please donate a specific food item for our annual Thanksgiving baskets. The items we need are listed below, based on grade level and classroom. Our goal this year, as always, is to create an immediate and satisfying impact in our Callahan community - all these baskets will go to help our own Callahan families. The more donations we receive, the more baskets we are able to provide. Thank you for your continued generosity. Please send all donations to school no later than Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Mr. Feinstein is going to give the school a dollar for each canned good that we donated.

If your child is in room 101 or 103 please donate cranberry sauce

If your child is in room 104 or 208 please donate stuffing

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

I would like to thank all of our families and students for all of their hard work on this food drive. It warms my heart to see how hard our school works to care for the needy in town.

If your child is in room 102 or 105 please donate instant potatoes

If your child is in room 106 or 107 please donate canned vegetables

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Mr. Brissette

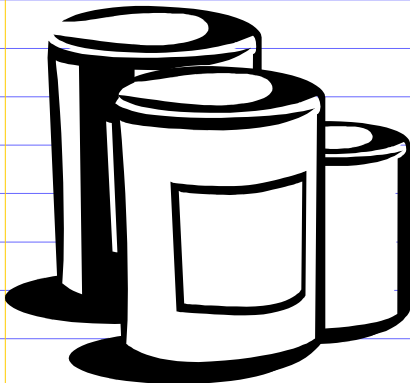
If your child is in room 201 or 202 please donate canned fruit

If your child is in room 203 or 207 please donate brownie or cake mix

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

If your child is in room 204 or 205 please donate corn bread mix

If your child is in room 206 please donate gravy



**\*\*\*Monetary donations for the purchase of further items will be gratefully accepted and will allow us to provide even more for our families in need. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to WLC PTF, Memo: Thanksgiving Baskets.**



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### Volunteering

If you are interested in helping out at any school event, volunteering in our schools or chaperoning a field trip, please remember that you have to have a BCI check. You can fill out one of these forms at the Callahan School and have it notarized (Mr. Brissette is a notary). After the form is complete, we will forward it to the Burrillville Police Department. This needs to be done every new school year.

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#### School Pictures Retakes

On Tuesday, November 24, 2009 Callahan will be having their school pictures re-taken. Please make sure you return the student's pictures that you do not want. It is important that you return

those in order for your child to have retakes done on that day.

vember 25, 2009 to see Trinity's "A Christmas Carol." This is a tradition that has taken place at our school for 20 years plus.

**H1N1 Clinic-** The H1N1 Clinic at Callahan will take place on December 8, 2009 from 4:00-8:00PM. The Clinic will take place at the Steere Farm Elementary School. This will allow us to have better parking for our families. If you would like to volunteer, please call Mr. Brissette at School.



**Grade 5 to Trinity-** Our grade 5 students will be going to Trinity on Wednesday, No-