



"Strive to Shine: As a student,
As a Friend"

Interview with Mrs. Hartley She lives in Waltham. Mrs. Hartley was teaching 1st grade in Dorchester when she wanted to be Principal. Her favorite thing to do as a Principal is seeing so many kids all day. She was teaching at Bishop as a 5th Grade teacher. Also she has two kittens. If she was a teacher she would teach kindergarten. She likes having all the keys in the school. Her favorite TV show is "Glee". Her favorite holiday is Christmas. Her birthday is in April. *Interviewed & written by Nicole Colovos & Drew Niles*

Fire Prevention Week When the firefighters came to visit, they told us what to do if there is a fire. If your body is on fire you stop, drop, and roll and cover your face. You should keep rolling until the fire is out. You should call 911 if there is a fire or if somebody is sick. If there is a fire in your house you should check to see if your door is hot. If the door isn't hot you can crawl out of the house. If it is hot, you should go to the window. You can call for help out the window. You and your family should decide on a meeting spot in case of an emergency. The meeting spot should be in front of the house in clear view for the firefighters. Don't hide! ~ *Written by Guest Writers Megan and Michael, Rm 309*



Kindergarten Patrol News During my first month of 5th grade I had the experience about being a K-patrol. K-patrol had been so much fun!! One we get to meet the new kindergarteners. And every single time we walk in the class rooms they all would say "hi". But what I think that is very impressive is that they all remember our names. Now that I am not in k-patrol anymore I will always remember playing, helping, and having a FUN time! ~ *Written by Jasmine M.*

What does Kindergarten Patrol do? For kindergarten patrol in the mornings you have to put down the chairs in both classrooms at 7:45. Then you go outside and wait till the kindergarten have to line up. Later you go up to your classroom. At 2:00pm you go down to kindergarten and put the chairs up in both classrooms. I like k patrol because I like to help the kindergarteners. ~ *Written by Ryan*





What was your favorite part of Science Camp?

- My favorite thing we did was the night sky. I liked it because I love hiking and I like the dark.
~ *Zach*
- One of my favorite things I did at Science Camp was Predator Prey. Predator Prey was a game we played on the last day. The group I had were mice, which are at the bottom of the food chain. So, we had a lot of running away to do. Whenever another team attacked, (other teams attacked us a lot) we might lose some people from our team. Then they'd have to go to the life cycle and they'd join another group. It was really fun!
~ *Venice*
- My favorite thing I did at Science Camp was fire and shelter building. Ponding was fun too.
~ *Telden*
- One of my favorite things I did at Science Camp was the big camp fire. The camp fire is when everyone sits around a HUGE camp fire and sings songs and the field group teachers do little plays. It was probably my favorite thing because it was warm and cozy and you laugh so much that your voice gets hoarse. I hope when you get to fifth grade you have a great time like I did.
~ *Tessa D.*
- My favorite activity we did with Mrs. Soares was

the diorama. I liked this because we got to paint and sculpt an animal and their habitat. ~ *Tate*

- I loved the camp fire...but I liked everything as well. ~ *Stephanie*
- The best thing about Science Camp is the camp fire. It's full of songs, skits and laughter. Another great thing about science camp is making new friends with the people in your cabin and field group. ~ *Sophie K*
- Science Camp is the best! You get to have a camp fire too and tell stories, songs poems & skits. ~ *Ryan H.*
- My favorite activity in Science Camp was the night hike on the first day. The reason I liked it was because I would always get scared and I love when I get scared. That's why I like it! ~ *Rhandy*
- Do you want to hear two things I thought were really fun at science camp? One of them was rec time. It was fun because we played Dallin vs. Peirce in football. Another thing I thought was fun is walking the trails. If you were lucky you could see a deer, I did ~ *Peter*
- One of my favorite parts about Science Camp is that when we played prey and predator because it was so fun. The other one was when we made new friends from Dallin and those friends I made were Aaron, Evan, Julian, Noah, Sam, and Mac. ~ *Nathaniel*
- The favorite part that I loved at Science Camp was ponding in the pond because I caught 10 craw fish in the pond. ~ *Nicole C.*
- Science Camp was really fun. You get to do all kinds of nature things. We were really lucky that it didn't rain too hard. My favorite part of it was building shelters. ~ *Michael*
- My favorite part of 5th grade Science Camp was the camp fire. We sang songs and watched skits. It was really fun. ~ *Maia D.*
- I had a great experience at Science Camp and

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think that the 4th graders are going to love it too. At Science Camp you get to do so many amazing things that at the end of the day all your thinking of is sleep. For example Predator Prey was a game that I loved but was a tiring game. I loved Science Camp. ~ *Michael M.*

- One thing we did at Science Camp was we made a fire. It was so much fun because we did hilarious songs. ~ *Melissa*
- My favorite part of Science Camp was going poking. I loved feeling the salamanders and tadpoles. I also loved making fires and shelters. ~ *Mia U.*
- One of my favorite parts of Science Camp was when we went ponding. Another thing I liked was Predator Prey. ~ *Matt*
- I liked it when you got to eat candy and it flowed I your mouth. I also liked the Predator and prey. I was a hawk and then a mink. ~ *Lucas*
- At Science Camp we went to a pond and we caught crayfish, tadpoles, and many other creatures. I caught two crayfish. ~ *Katelyn R.*
- My favorite parts about Science Camp is when we played Predator Prey. My second favorite is when Matt's' group played "Where's my Floppy Green Disk?" ~ *Jasmin*
- Science Camp was the best. And we did lots of adventures like ponding, big camp fire, night hike, Predator & Prey, and a lot more. My favorite activity was Predator & Prey. I love this because I was a mink so there is only 30% of my eaten. ~ *Jasmine M.*
- My favorite thing that we did at Science Camp is when we did an experiment with eggs. We had to use outdoor things , tape the egg and try to drop it safely. ~ *Jackie*
- I really liked going on the night hike and doing the lifesaver experiment. ~ *Jamila*
- Science Camp rocks because you got to go on a

camp fire night trip. ~ *Juliette*

- A special moment I had at school Science Camp was making a habitat. We got to pick an animal and make a habitat with leaves, pinecones, and pine needles. My animal was a grey wolf. ~ *John*
- Here are some things I absolutely loved at Science Camp: I loved the night time hike we did in the woods. It was creepy, scary, and fun! I also loved it when we went ponding. I caught a bug that had made a home out of leaves. It was soooo cool! ~ *Isabella*
- "From the Lost City of Atlantis", "Frome Red Riding Hood's Bonnet", "Inside Sam's Beard" ,&"Comes the Ruff Riders"; That was my favorite part from the bonfire at Science Camp. ~ *Henry*



- My favorite part about Science Camp is when we put mint in our mouths and chewing them until we made sparks. Another thing that I liked was when we played Predator Prey. ~ *Edwin*
- I would have to say that the best part about Science Camp was the food. Everything that they served us was great. Even my friend who doesn't eat meat said that the meat-free meals were great! ~ *Ellyce*
- My favorite thing at Science Camp was the camp fire. My second favorite thing at Science Camp was the game called Predator Prey. ~
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the best I ever tasted. We went ponding, a night hike, and had a big camp fire where you listened to stories and songs. The thing I liked most was a game Predator Prey. ~ *David O.*

- My favorite part of camp was my best friends were in my cabin. The second best thing about Science Camp was there were nice people and nice kids. I also liked the game Predator Prey. ~ *Dawn*
- My favorite thing at Science Camp was playing Predator Prey. Another thing is being in my cabin with my friends ~ *Drew*
- My favorite part at Science Amp was everything. The build-your-own camp fire was awesome! ~ *Ciana*
- My favorite part of Science Camp was Predator Prey. I was a mink. That means I could attack two groups and get attacked by one. My group found an awesome hiding spot so whenever we saw a group that was below us in the food chain we jumped out and attacked. ~ *Colton*
- Science Camp was so much fun. I had a great time. My favorite thing was camp fire because all of the field teachers did all of these funny skits. My favorite skit was this song called "I wanna Be a Pizza man." ~ *Caelan*
- My favorite part at Science Camp was when my field group went ponding. Me, Justin, Edwin, & Peter all tried to get a frog but when it dove under the surface we knew it would be hard to get. So in the end I got a cocoon of a dragonfly. ~ *Alex*
- I had a great time at Science Camp. My favorite thing was building a fire. ~ *Abby*



Ms. Puffer goes to Science Camp...

After spending a wonderful four days at W. Alton Jones Science Camp with the 5th graders from both Peirce and Dallin Elementary School, I thought it may be nice to write what Science camp was like from the teacher's point of view! Each student was assigned a field group of up to 10-12 students led by a well-educated and thoughtful Field guide. I was able to spend quality time with each of the different field groups over the four days. It was so much fun! On the first day, I spent time with a field group walking in the woods on a "Geology" lesson. Our field guide explained how the topography was formed from glaciers and other forces that shaped New England during the walk. My favorite part was when the students were given cards that reviewed the time span from when the "big bang" happened to today. This involved the students figuring out as a team, who had the oldest card to read first, and based on chronological order the next based date and so forth. Each card required the student to take x amount of steps to represent the amount in time that past [from 58 steps down to the width of a pinky]. It was a great way to help students understand the passing of time. We finished the hike by heading into the classroom to learn more

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about the 3 basic types of rocks; sedimentary, metamorphic, and igneous.

... To read about the remainder of the four days and three nights log into the school's website where you can read all about Wetlands and Ponds, an interesting Night Walk, Astronomy, Egg dropping, Survival skills and much more!!!!

By Mrs. Lisa Puffer, Grade 5 Teacher

Amelia Earhart Assembly

On Wednesday October 26 grades 2-5 attended an assembly about Amelia Earhart. This article is about what the actor told us about her life. Amelia Earhart was a tomboy. She was good at all sports and loved sledding. Sadly, when she was 10 her parents got divorced. When she was old enough she went to college. After college she visited her sister who was living in Canada at the time. World War 1 was raging and she became a nurse's aid. She made beds and food. Sometimes the food was so unappetizing that it sometimes came back with a cross and R.I.P on it. After the war ended, she moved back to Boston. One day, she got a phone call. It asked her to accompany 2 men across the Atlantic. Everyone was ok, but they accidentally overshot their destination and ended up in South Wales. She married George Putnam on February 7, 1931. Amelia Earhart always wanted to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. On May 20, 1932 she finally took off. Her flight was plagued with problems. First, she had a faulty barometer. Second, she flew through a storm and her planes wings iced up. She righted her plane seconds before she plunged in to the Atlantic Ocean. Third, and the most scary thing that happened to her on the trip was this: She had a leaky gas pipe. If there was a spark in the cockpit her plane would explode. She died while trying to fly around the world. Other

record breaking flights Amelia had were: California to New Jersey via Mexico. The other one was California to Hawaii. *Written by Zack Garrigus, The woman who wrote the play Joan Schaeffer requested a copy of this wonderful y written article*

An afternoon spent cleaning up the Science Garden ... Some flowers are still alive. Everything seems well taken care of. The sunflowers are high but dying. Flowers are starting to hibernate. The compost bin still looks fresh. Gardening is doing well. There are not a lot of flowers. Some flowers smell good. Vegetables are growing. *Written by Telden & Patrick*



Library News Our school library has been given a wonderful gift of books by our former Peirce Principal Dr. Marilyn Flaherty. They are displayed on one of the book cases we hope you and your children will take a look at them. The books were donated in memory of : Brian Greeley (Peirce Parent), Mary A. Flaherty (mother), Harry Haroutunian (former Peirce Parent), and Richard LeBlanc (former Peirce Parent).

Just a few reminders:

- * Just a reminder that if you are at the Book Rack you can always donate credits to Mrs.T/Peirce School Library.
- * Also be sure to check out the school website for

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minutes from the PTO meetings. It is a great way to catch up if you can not attend a meeting.

* Come join us November 4th for the Peirce School family dance! It will be held in the gym from 7 to 9. Cover will be \$5 a person or \$20.00

Peirce Calendar

- Nov. 1 Professional Day/Mrs. T's open (must sign up in advance)
NO SCHOOL
- Nov. 4 Family Dance 7:00-9:00pm
- Nov. 11 Veteran's Day
NO SCHOOL
- Nov.14 Amazing Art Hero Assembly
- Nov 14 Chess Club 2:15-3:30 rm. 211
- Nov. 17 SMILE Dental Program
- Nov. 18 BINGO! Night
- Nov. 21 PTO Meeting in Library 6:30pm
- Nov. 23 Early Release 12:30 dismissal
- Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Break begins
- Nov. 30 Safety Smart Assembly 9:am
- Dec. 1 K- 5 Conferences 11:15 dismissal
Box lunch served
- Dec. 5 K- 5 Conferences 11:15 dismissal
Box lunch served
- Dec. 5 Chess Club 12:00-2:30 Rm. 211
- Dec. 7 K- 5 Conferences 11:15 dismissal
Box lunch served
- Dec. 15 Native American Perception Gr. k-5
- Dec. 16 Native American Perception Gr. k-5
- Dec. 16 Cookie Decorating 2:15 in Café'
- Dec. 19 PTO Meeting in Library @ 6:30pm
- Dec. 21 Energy Pursuit Gr. 3-5
- Dec. 26 Winter Break begins,
NO SCHOOL
(Mrs. T's also closed)

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*Check out the school web site at

<http://peircschool.info>

PTO Monthly meetings minutes can be found on the web site.

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