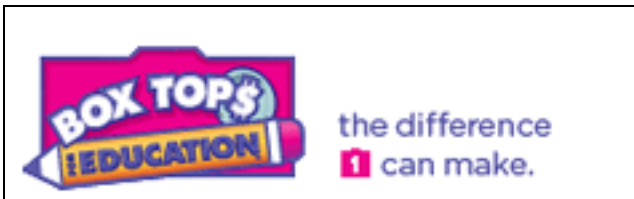


1. **Bedford Families Unplugged** is a month long awareness campaign to remind Bedford families and residents to “unplug their electronics”. The highlight of this year’s program will be a no-homework, no-sports, and no-activities night for Bedford Public School Students on November 9, 2011. In addition, there will be no town-related meetings and virtually no community, school, or religious meetings held on that night.

For more information about Bedford Families Unplugged please contact Bedford Youth & Family Services at 781-275-7727 or visit website to <http://www.bedfordma.gov/youth> Bedford Families Unplugged program is sponsored by the Bedford Selectmen, Bedford Public Schools, and Bedford Community Partnership



2. **BOXTOPS for EDUCATION** – The BHSPA is collecting BoxTops on behalf of the MSPA. BoxTops can be found on products you use regularly: Ziploc bags, Cheerios, Betty Crocker mixes, Avery school supplies, Kleenex tissues. Please clip, save and send in your BoxTops with your BHS student throughout the school year. There is a collection box in the Student Office for drop-off.

3. **Fifth Annual Bedford Turkey Trot! On THANKSGIVING DAY FOR THE 5th Annual BEDFORD 5K TURKEY TROT....**To benefit Bedford Food Pantry, your ticket for admission is a donation of \$15.00 or greater (Cash or Check payable to Bedford Food Pantry) This year the committee is targeting for \$4000.

Registration starts @ 7:30 and the race begins at "8am" and ends at the John Glenn Middle School (99 McMahan Rd., Bedford, MA).

4. Monday, November 7th Fall Town Meeting celebrates Bedford Named One of the Nation's *100 Best Communities for Young People* by America's Promise Alliance and ING. Bedford achieved national recognition as one of America's Promise Alliance's *100 Best Communities for Young People presented by ING* for its initiatives to help young people. The competition recognizes communities across the country that focus on reducing high school dropout rates and providing service and support to their youth. Detail information, please contact **Sue Baldauf**, Director of Bedford Youth & Family Services at 781-275-7727 or email sueb@bedfordma.gov

5. Fuel Assistance Program. The Fuel Assistance Program provides a benefit for home heating for Bedford residents of all ages who meet income guidelines. To apply, Bedford residents under age 60 should call Bedford Youth and Family Services (YFS) at 275-7727 and those 60 or over should call the Bedford Council on Aging (COA) at 275-6825. All information will be held in the strictest confidence.



6. Bedford SEPAC will hold its monthly Parent Coffee at Whole Foods from 8:30am - 10:30am. Please come and network, chat and discuss our children with learning challenges. Parent coffees are held the third Friday morning of every month. SEPAC board members will be present to facilitate. For more information, please contact Dana Fine, danafine2000@gmail.com.

7. Upcoming School Committee meeting: The Bedford School Committee will meet on Nov. 8, 2011 and Nov. 29, 2011. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm and are held in the Multipurpose Room at BHS. All are welcome to attend. School Committee meetings are taped by BCAT. Check the BCAT website www.bedford.tv/schedule or the Bedford Minuteman for the schedule. The following presentations are currently scheduled for the upcoming meetings:

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2011

Discussion of the Strategic Plan for 2011-2016

Presentation: English and Social Studies Action Plans.

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011

Budget Presentation

Eudcatius International Student Program

8. Keith Mangan, CAA, Director of Athletics of Bedford Public Schools, announces a meeting for for students and parents interested in playing a > winter sport on Monday 11/14/11 at 6pm in the BHS Auditorium. Contact Keith at 781-275-1700 x 1109 for

detail information.

9. BHS November 2011 Principal's Newsletter is available on school website at <http://www.bedford.k12.ma.us/images/stories/pdfs/bhs/admin/pnews1111.pdf>
10. Christo's Driving will be starting a new session at JGMS to run **from 11/2/11 to 12/5/11, Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-9pm** in room D211. Registrations are still being accepted. Please contact them at 508-481-6384 or www.christodriving.com.

Now Available!!! Online eNewsLetter, click below link: