**Earth Science Newsletter**

**(Mr. Williams - Rm. C-423)**

**Volume I, Issue No. 3**

**Here is your 3rd installment of my earth science newsletter. I would like to start by expressing my excitement to meet those of you who are able to make it to the LHX “Back to School Night” this Thursday, 9/29 at 6:30. It will be a great opportunity for you to see our classroom and lab spaces, and for us to make formal introductions. I hope to see many of you there! I would also like to make a special request, only to those who buy tissues in bulk, to please consider donating a box of tissues to our classroom. Please do not make an extra trip to the store, but if you are able to bring in a spare box of tissues my students (and their noses) would greatly appreciate it.**

**Things are picking up in C-423. We spent much of last week investigating models of the earth (i.e. maps, globes), and each student created a model to represent the twenty-four time zones of the world. This week we will be zooming in on maps of New York State, and exploring how topographic maps represent land surface characteristics.**

**Students likely discussed the Expedition Earth Science program with you. Applications have been returned to me, and I will be able to provide you with more information about the program when we meet on Thursday.**

**Shout out to 3rd period (orange) class! They had fun with the count down to and celebration of the exact moment of the autumn equinox at 10:21AM on Thursday, 9/22.**

**In earth science related news, this weekend will see the release of “Deepwater Horizon” in theaters. This is a big budget Hollywood film about the catastrophic oil well failure in the Gulf of Mexico that took place in April of 2010. It could be worth a watch!**

**Finally, please note that Monday, 9/26 is a scheduled half day in order to accommodate staff development. Student dismissal will take place at 10:45AM.**

**Regards,**

**Jason Williams**

**Earth Science Teacher**