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New DARE Officer

Plympton Police Chief Patrick S. Dillon is proud to announce that on September 23, 2011 Officer Dana S. Smith graduated from D.A.R.E. Instructor Training Class #24 held in Strafford, NH.

D.A.R.E. is an international program created by 10 LAPD Officers in 1983 and is designed to help children make wise choices and healthy decisions when faced with the pressures of drug and alcohol abuse, as well as peer pressure and bullying. The curriculum centers on interaction with the students to come up with solutions for these issues by providing factual information and possible choices.

As an example of D.A.R.E.'s nationwide and international influence, in Officer Smith's class there were two Officers from Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada and others from Kansas, New York, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine as well as Massachusetts. Officer Smith has been with the Plympton Police Department since 2004. He will be teaching the D.A.R.E. curriculum at the Dennett Elementary School in the coming months and is looking forward to this opportunity to continue helping the community.

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