

Mill Stream Messenger

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Our 3rd and 4th grade students have begun their eMPowerME testing. They have been working so hard! Testing still continues...

Grades 3 and 4: March 19th to March 26th

Grades 5 and 6: March 27th to April 3rd

Students will be participating in the following testing sessions: 2 reading, 2 math, 2 writing and language and 1 essay.

Just a few reminders...

- Please be sure your child receives plenty of rest throughout the week of testing.
- Please be sure your child has breakfast each morning.
- Please be sure your child arrives promptly to school.
- This assessment needs to be taken very seriously. We expect students to give their best effort.
- We want our students to show the rest of Maine how well they can do!

If you have any questions surrounding the assessment, please feel free to contact your child's teacher. Thank you for your continued support. Together we can make a difference!

Throughout the year, please do not hesitate to contact teachers, Mrs. Lovell or myself with questions or concerns that may arise. When we work together, students will have a great year!

Parenting Tips

Over the next few newsletters, I will be sharing parenting tips that I found and wish I had early on when my own kiddos were small. I am hopeful you will find these to be helpful.

Give yourself a break. Hitting the drive-through when you're too tired to cook doesn't make you a bad parent.

Trust your mommy and daddy gut. No one knows your child better than you. Follow your instincts when it comes to health and well-being. If you think something's wrong, chances are you're right.

Source: www.parents.com

PTG (Parent/Teacher Group) News

Please consider joining us on the first Wednesday evening of each month from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the school library as we plan activities and events to be held throughout the school year.

We always welcome new members and new ideas!

Scholastic Book Fair - Buy One, Get One Free!

Monday May 13th - Friday May 17th with a Parent Night on Thursday May 16th

We will be holding our Scholastic Book Fair for students and a Parent Night as well. We are currently in need of volunteers to help with this event Monday - Friday 11:00 - 2:15 p.m. as well as Thursday evening (Parent Night) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. This is a very popular event each year, the children look forward to it and there will be some great shopping!

Please consider volunteering even one afternoon, we can't do this without your support!

Dates to Remember . . .

April 3, 2019	eMPowerME testing concludes PTG meeting at 6:00 p.m.
April 4, 2019	School board meeting at 7:00 p.m.
April 5, 2019	Read-a-thon Movie trip to see Dumbo
April 15-19, 2019	School vacation

Important Information

If you drop your students off in the morning, please be sure to drop off no earlier than 7:45 a.m. to ensure staff members are on duty. Thank you!

As our families and communities enter our school building, it is important that they need to check into our office. We need to ensure student and staff safety at all times.

Please keep in mind that our teachers are working with students right up until 2:15 p.m. each day. We understand that life happens, but we would love to have our students in class as long as we are able to each day. Your help with this is greatly appreciated!

Mill Stream is Off to See Dumbo!

You should have received the Dumbo flyer earlier this week. We want to make you aware that the flyer stated the live action version of the movie was rated G. The movie is actually rated PG. This is why the bottom of the flyer needs to be returned granting permission for your child to go to the movies with us.

We are so excited that our students are able to have the opportunity to attend the movies!