

Mill Stream Messenger

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MEA Science testing with our fifth grade students has concluded for this school year. They all worked incredibly hard. We are so proud of their efforts! Thank you to our families for all of your support.

Staff appreciation week will take place May 6th through May 10th. Our staff works incredibly hard for the sake of our students. I have never worked with a more caring staff that will pitch in and help no matter what. This is very rare. I feel incredibly lucky to have become a part of a staff that I am proud to say is one of the best in the state of Maine.

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.

Ask your children three "you" questions every day. The art of conversation is an important social skill, but parents often neglect to teach it. Get a kid going with questions like, "Did you have fun at school?"; "What did you do at the party you went to?"; or "Where do you want to go tomorrow afternoon?"

Teach kids this bravery trick. Tell them to always notice the color of a person's eyes. Making eye contact will help a hesitant child appear more confident and will help any kid to be more assertive and less likely to be picked on.

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 25, 2019	School board meeting 7:00 p.m.
April 30, 2019	Author visit at SAHS 6:00 p.m.
May 1, 2019	PreK/K event
May 6-10, 2019	Staff appreciation week
May 7-8, 2019	K Registration
May 13-17, 2019	Book fair
May 15, 2019	Early release at 11:45 a.m.

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!