

# Mill Stream Messenger

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eMPoweME testing has concluded for this school year. Our third through sixth grade students worked incredibly hard. We are so proud of their efforts! Thank you to our families for all of your support.

Up next is the MEA Science Assessment for our grade five students only. This assessment will be taking place during on the following days:

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> for 40 minutes

Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> for 40 minutes

Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> for 40 minutes

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.

**Just say "No."** Resist the urge to take on extra obligations at the office or become the Volunteer Queen/King at your child's school. You will never, ever regret spending more time with your children.

**Don't accept disrespect from your child.** Never allow him/her to be rude or say hurtful things to you or anyone else. If she does, tell her firmly that you will not tolerate any form of disrespect.

Source: [www.parents.com](http://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 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> with a Parent Night on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

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 12, 2019	Read-a-thon
April 15-19, 2019	School vacation
April 21, 2019	Easter
April 22-24, 2019	MEA Science assessment-grade 5

### **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!