

# Mt. Vernon Elementary School News

"A Caring School Community Dedicated to Excellence"

## Lunch Menu for October 2-6

Monday: Supreme 3 Cheese Calzone

Tuesday: Mouthwatering Sweet & Sour Meatballs over rice.

Wednesday: Tasty Shepherds Pie w/ Dinner Roll.

Thursday: Ooey-Goey Toasted Cheese w/ Tomato Soup

Friday: Oven Bake Pizza

Second Choice: Sunbutter & Jelly



## No student pick up in front of School

Just a very important reminder to all our families who pick up and drop their students off at school.

You must park on the side of the building. The front of the building is designated ONLY for EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND BUSES.

If you have any questions please contact the school office at 293-2261.



## Important Dates

**OCTOBER 18:**

Tooth Protectors

**OCTOBER 19:**

\*Flu Clinic

\*Curriculum Night

6:00-7:00



**OCTOBER 27:**

PTC Halloween Dance

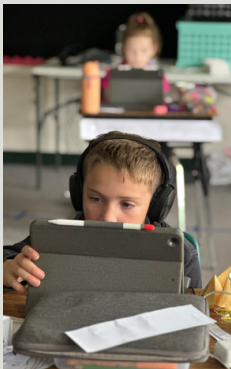
More information to come

**OCTOBER 30:**

Lifetouch RETAKE Day, if you were absent or want to retake your photo today is the day! Bring your best smile to school

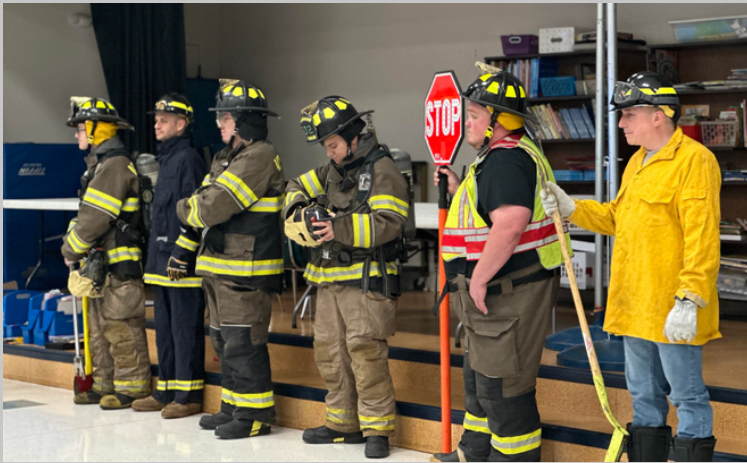
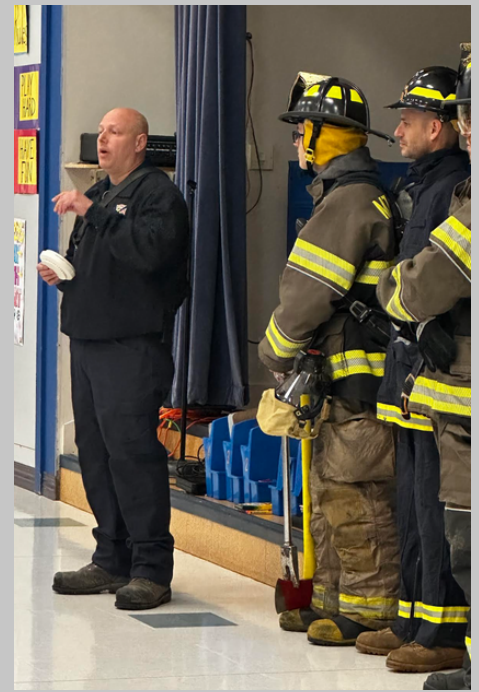


## NWEA 4TH GRADE TESTING





# October is Fire Safety Week 9th-14th



Principal, Mrs. Hood with the first-grade class,  
and of course our favorite fire dog, Sparky!






Jr. Fire fighter, Noah Easter a past student  
pictured with our 3rd-grade class







## 5th Grade Fundraiser!



Our 5th-grade class is planning for another trip to Boston in June. The class will raise all the money for their trip. This is our biggest fundraiser, the Longfellow's Poinsettias sale. More information is being sent home this week regarding how to order. We have included an order form for your convenience. If you have any questions contact Mrs. Boyce at [leslie\\_boyce@maranacook.com](mailto:leslie_boyce@maranacook.com)

### Bus/Dismissals

Please notify the office if your child will be based/tardy/or dismissed early.

To report an absence/tardy, please do so before 8:15 a.m. to avoid the robocall from Powerschool.

**ATTENDANCE=  
LEARNING  
OPPORTUNITIES**



## Notes from Nurse Jennifer



If your child has a fever/vomiting/diarrhea, they must be free of symptoms for 24 hours without the use of medications to return to school. We appreciate you reporting your children absent first thing in the morning and please include the reason for the absence. If you have questions you may always reach out to the school nurse for assistance at 293-2261 or email:

[jennifer\\_vondeesten@maranacook.com](mailto:jennifer_vondeesten@maranacook.com)





Dear Family,

Fall 2023

Our district uses the Second Step curriculum which teaches children important skills for getting along with others and doing well in school. It also helps our school be a safe and supportive place where everyone can learn.

To help make our school even more safe and supportive, we are also using the Second Step~Child Protection Unit. In these lessons, which include discussion and short videos for each grade level, students will learn three types of skills:

- Personal Safety. Students will learn important safety rules, such as safety with guns, sharp tools, and fire, and when riding on wheels or in cars. They will also learn ways to help them decide if something is safe or not.
- Touching Safety. Students will learn about safe, unsafe, and unwanted touches, and rules about touching private body parts. They'll also learn to say no to unsafe or unwanted touches, and to tell an adult if someone breaks rules about touching private body parts.
- Assertiveness. These lessons will also give students a chance to practice asking an adult for help, telling an adult about an unsafe situation, and being assertive to get out of unsafe situations.

For more information or questions please contact the school counselor.

Thank you for helping us to make our school a safe and supportive place where everyone can learn.

Sincerely,

Tara Wicks, school counselor  
Mount Vernon Elementary School  
Wayne Elementary School

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