# WAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**NOVEMBER 20, 2023** 

DEAR FAMILIES, WE MADE IT THROUGH TRIMESTER ONE! WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK SCHOOL & HOME FOR PROVIDING THE STAFF WITH DINNER DURING THE CONFERENCES LAST THURSDAY EVENING, IT IS SO

WE WISH YOU ALL A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING!



#### **Weekly Menu**

**WEEK OF 11/20/2023** 

MON- HOT DOG W/ BAKED BEANS
TUES-CRAZY PIZZA CRUNCHERS
WED- NO SCHOOL
THURS- TURKEY DAY!! HOLIDAY
FRI- NO SCHOOL

SUN BUTTER & JELLY
AVAILABLE DAILY

#### **Upcoming Dates**

LOOKING AHEAD

NOVEMBER

11/22-11/24-THANKSGIVING BREAK
11/30- PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

#### **DECEMBER**

12/20-HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS AT WES -YAYI 12/21-EARLY RELEASE DAY 12/22-01/01/24- CHRISTMAS BREAK

## Weekly attendance

96%

#### **REMINDERS**

PLEASE CHECK LUNCH BALANCES
SNACKS & WATER BOTTLE
SNEAKERS FOR PHYS ED
WARM CLOTHING FOR RECESS



At home, you play an invaluable role in your child's education by reinforcing what they are learning at school. One of the best ways to do this is through daily conversations with your child about their school day. Regularly talking with your child about their classes, activities, and friends provides a chance to process their learning and experiences. It also helps strengthen your parent-child relationship.

Here are some tips to consider:

- Make it a habit: Set aside time each day to sit down together and chat. This can be the dinner table, car ride home, or before bed. Consistency is key.
- Ask open-ended questions: Questions like: "What was the best part of your day?" and "What did you learn in math class?" can prompt deeper discussion.
- Go beyond the basics: While it's important to check on homework, also focus on social and emotional learning.
- Share your own reflections: Tell a story from your day to model narrative skills and make it a two-way conversation.
- Make connections: Link your child's school learning to examples from everyday life and their interests.
- Listen actively: Offer acknowledgment and follow-up questions to show you're engaged and understanding.
- Offer encouragement: Celebrate hard work and progress. Give specific, positive feedback.

Daily conversations not only support academic growth, they also strengthen family bonds and open communication channels that will benefit children socially and emotionally.

Warm Regards, Jeanette Jacobs WES Principal

#### Five Questions to Ask Instead of "How was your day" ..

- 1. What was your favorite part of today?
- 2. Which friends did you get to spend time with today?
- 3. Will you teach me something you learned today?
- 4. What made you feel happy/sad today?
- 5. What were you proud of today?

## NOTES FROM THE NURSE

#### I NEED TO STAY HOME IF ...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL	I HAVE TESTED COVID +
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Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Hospital stay and/or ER visit	5 Day isolation begins with Day 0 as symptom onset or + test if no symptoms

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM									
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin)	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash, itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed	Released by my medical provider to return to school	End isolation if symptoms are improving and Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin				

DAILY HABITS FOR STAYING HEALTHY—
WASH HANDS
BEDTIME ROUTINES WITH PLENTY OF SLEEP
DRINK PLENTY OF WATER
3-5 SERVINGS OF FRUITS & VEGETABLES
FRESH AIR AND SUNSHINE
EXERCISE



# ON THANKSGIVING, WHAT'S ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TABLE?



# WAYNE HOLIDAY STROLL WAYNE VILLAGE



Tex-Mex Express Food Truck

A Lakeside Studio Pottery- 12 Cedar Point Rd

Guests

Wayne Post Office Parking Lot

#### December 2nd & 3rd 9:00 am-3:00 pm

#### Cobbie's Corner Store- 672 Main Street

All Weekend Stroll Specials Sunday Dec 3rd- Horse Drawn Wagon rides from 11:00 am-2:00 pm

#### Wayne Village Pottery- 540 Main Street

Guests

Milkweed Pottery Jeff Ireland, Maine Fly Fishing

#### Grey Goose Gourmet- 536 Main Street

Guests

The French Confection
Bragg Maple Products
Root Fire Farm
Fernwood Cottage
Dharwood Pottery
Cosmic Goat Creamery
Hank's Sourdough Breads

#### Moore Home - 3 Memorial Park Lane

Guests

Pickles Potions & Lotions Pamela Hedden Designs Minnie's Taggies

#### Tubby's Ice Cream & Gift Shop- 512 Main St

Lobster Stew, Popcorn, Gifts and more..

#### Goodpost Refill Shop- 508 Main Street

Guests

PT Designs Jewelry
Local Artisan, Crafters & Makers:
One Moore Unpaper Towels, Playful Motherhood,
Katharine Watson Risograph's & Cards, Hearth &
Harrow, Contour Designs, Hope Learning Toys, and so
many more!

#### Guest Appearance by Mrs. Wayne Maine America Contestant, Kim Robertson

Kim will be "Strolling" Wayne on Saturday December 2nd

#### Anne Thompson Home- 521 Main St Guests

S'Mittens Wool Mittens Froggy Meadow Friends

## Wayne General Store & A Small Town Bakery 506 Main St.

Guests

The Blue Collar Painter
Hazel Hill Orchards
Sgraffito Studios
Beech Hill Designs
Elliott's Best Dog Biscuits
Dasha's Honey
Bernadette's Essential Oils
Breylyn's Massage

Author Deborah Emery Moonlight Maple Peg's Kitchen Handmade Christmas Stockings

#### Å The Johnson House- 498 Main St

Guests

Moonglow Lavender
Magnolia's Closet
Sara Wilmot Art
30 Mile River Snowmobile Club
Backroad Threads
Small Dog Cards & Books
Jenn Hood Jewelry & Gifts
Tarot Card Readings
Tigress Training
Heartfelt Energies
Music by "Hurry Down Sunshine"

WELLNESS and much more...

Farm Meets Lake
Author Karen Toothaker
Dirigo Hill Farm

Wayne Fire Department
Saturday ONLY
Sparky, Cider & Candy Canes
Wayne Community Church
22 Old Winthrop Rd
Saturday ONLY
Rada Knives

Cookbooks
Curated Gift Baskets
MR. ETCH-Wood turned bowls & more
Soups, Chowders & Baked Goods

### William's House First Saturday 14 Old Winthrop Rd

Saturday ONLY

Books, Brunch & Boutique Brunch from 9 am-1:30 pm

#### i Cary Memorial Library-17 Old Winthrop Rd Saturday ONLY

Friends of the Library Quilt Raffle Children's Book Author- Sara Frautten Drawing at 1 pm on Saturday Dec 2nd Kid's Craft

#### Christmas Caroling at the Johnson House 498 Main Street

Sunday, Dec 3rd at 4 pm Hot Cocoa & Cookies donated by A Small Town Bakery



Organized by Sustain Wayne Not a school sponsored event

A gentle Reminder regarding Late Pick-ups..

LATE PICK-UP TIME IS AT 2:45.

IF YOU ARE PICKING UP AN OLDER

CHILD OFF THE BUS, PLEASE ARRIVE

BEFORE 3:00 PM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

#### **Helpful Tips for Parents**



#### **Preparing for a Parent-Teacher-Student Conference**

To be sure you go away from a parent-teacher-student conference with all of the information you want, consider the following suggestions:

#### Make a list of questions to ask the teachers.

This is your chance to ask questions of your child's teacher. Take time before the conference to make a list of questions that you want answered.

#### Talk with your child before the conference.

Discuss what your child has been learning. Find out about recent class activities. See if your child has questions for you to ask the teacher. Is anything bothering your child that the teacher should know about?

#### Be ready to pass on some "good news" to the teacher.

Teachers need and deserve good news. Be ready to let the teacher know when your child has reported good news from school. Remember the special help from the teacher, the words of encouragement, the topics that interested your child.

#### Talk openly and honestly.

Share your frustrations and successes regarding your child's schooling and home life. A better understanding of your child's concerns and priorities can help a teacher in relating to your child.

#### Identify ways you can best help your child.

Talk to the teacher about ways you can help your child at home. Maybe it's providing a regular time and place for study. Maybe it's talking more with your child about school or listening to your child read aloud. Ask the teacher for suggestions.

#### View your child through the teacher's eyes.

Some children behave differently in school than at home. Use the conference as a way to learn more about your child, and to help the teacher understand more about him/her, too.

#### Express your concerns.

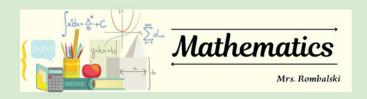
Don't be afraid to express your concerns about your child's performance, the classroom environment, peer pressure, or any other area that may be affecting your child's education.





CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW

WES FALL CONFERENCE SCHEDULER



#### Math Fact Fluency

#### Why is Math Fact Fluency Important?

Being able to recall math facts quickly and accurately is a critical skill for all students. In the early grades, being able to quickly know the answers to math facts serves as a foundation for more complex problem-solving.

As students move onto higher grades, they will be expected to complete more difficult, multi-part math tasks. If students cannot quickly remember the answers to basic math facts, it will interfere with their ability to concentrate on more advanced tasks. Students who must stop and think about, or count out, simple math facts get lost in the steps of multi-part, complex mathematical procedures. Math work becomes a slow and onerous process when you have to look up or figure out most facts.

-From Rocket Math

Although it is important for students to understand the math behind the math facts, once they develop that understanding, fluency is our next goal. Below is one idea to help students practice fluency at home.

#### MATH FACT WAR:

What is it: A card game involving numbers; a great way to teach math and have fun.

What you need: A deck of cards with the face cards removed (ace is one, keep one type of face card to be the ten, maybe make another face card the 0).

How to play: This is a variation of War, the card game where you divide the deck of cards evenly, players each turn over a card at the same time, whoever has the highest card wins. BUT, in math fact war, you have to do the math first!

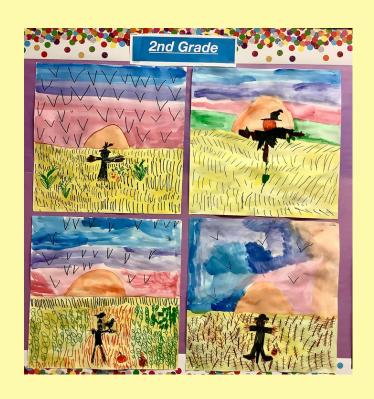
Addition: Each player turns over two cards at once. Each player adds their two cards together, and the player with the higher sum wins all the cards. You could also add three cards together. Subtraction: Each player subtractions their two cards.

Multiplication: Each player multiples their two cards.

How to win: If two players flip over the exact same cards, a war happens, players flip over another two cards and the winner of that round gets all the cards from both rounds. The player with the most cards at the end wins.

If you want to encourage even more math, have your child write down each math equation on paper.

# Art











# Maranacook Elementary Physical Education Mr. Lajoie

We are a few weeks into our throwing and catching unit where we are learning many cooperative skills and starting some competitive games. Throwing and catching is always a student favorite as there are so many great games and activities we get to do. With all competitive games we discuss the importance of good sportsmanship, wanting to win but respecting those we get to play against and the only way we truly win in PE is by giving our best effort.

Grades K-2 are learning about underhand throws and beginning to learn how to throw overhand in a mature pattern that will lead to accuracy and greater distances. Grades 3-5 are still practicing our overhand throws with games like Boom city, Monster ball and mini games during our station day.

I always lead new skills with a talk about how we get better at things, **Practice**, **Practice**, **Practice!!!!!** Your kids are awesome so get out there and be awesome with them and let them show you their new (or old) throwing skills.



#### Mr. Lajoie PE Days:

Mon: Readfield Tue: Wayne

Wed: Manchester Thurs: Manchester

Fri: Readfield

Email: matt\_lajoie@maranacook.com

#### **SHOE CORNER**

Cold weather means winter boots and warm gear for an active outdoor recess. It also means an extra pair of sneakers for gym class and all indoor activities.

Boots are better than crocs but still not the right gear for gym class. A wet and dirty gym floor is slippery and unsafe. Help me keep the children safe and active by sending them with sneakers. 2023

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#### H - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

July 4 -	Independence Day	
September 4	-	Labor Day
October 9	-	Indigenous Peoples' Day
November 10	-	Veterans' Day, Observed
November 23	-	Thanksgiving Day
December 25	-	Christmas Day
January 1	-	New Year's Day
January 15	-	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Juliuary 15		Manual Latiner
February 19	-	Presidents' Day
April 15	-	Patriots' Day
May 27	-	Memorial Day
June 19	-	Juneteenth

Flex Day

w	Staff In-Service (no school students)
F1	First student day, Grades K-5, 6, 9, 12
F2	First student day, Grades 7, 8, 10, 11, CATC
F3	First student day, Grade Pre-K
G	Graduation

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WI	In-Service Comp Day (no school students)
ER	Designated Early Release Day (see below)

V	Vacation
L	Last Student Day (if 2 emergency days used) (1/2 day)

Aug. 28, 29	Professional Days
Aug. 30	1st Student Day, grades K-5, 6, 9, 12
Aug. 31	1st Student Day, grades 7, 8, 10-11, CATO
Sept. 5	1st Student Day, grade Pre-K
Oct. 6	Professional Day
Nov. 22	In-service Comp Day (no school)
Nov. 23-24	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 22-Jan. 1	Winter Break
Feb. 19-23	February Break
March 15	Professional Day
April 12	In-service Comp Day (no school)

April 15-19	Spring Break
June 4	Graduation
June 11	Last student day (if 2 emer. days used)
	(1/2 day)
June 12	Last staff day (if 2 emer. days are used)
Note: This cal	lendar includes 2 remote learning days and 2

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182 teacher days; 175 student days Calendar includes 2 emergency days

Designated Early Release Days (student dismissal at 11:40 a.m.; content to be determined by Professional Development Committee and A-Team). No Pre-K on early release days.

September 27 January 24 November 8 March 20 December 21 May 8

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# THE LETTER "B"

