



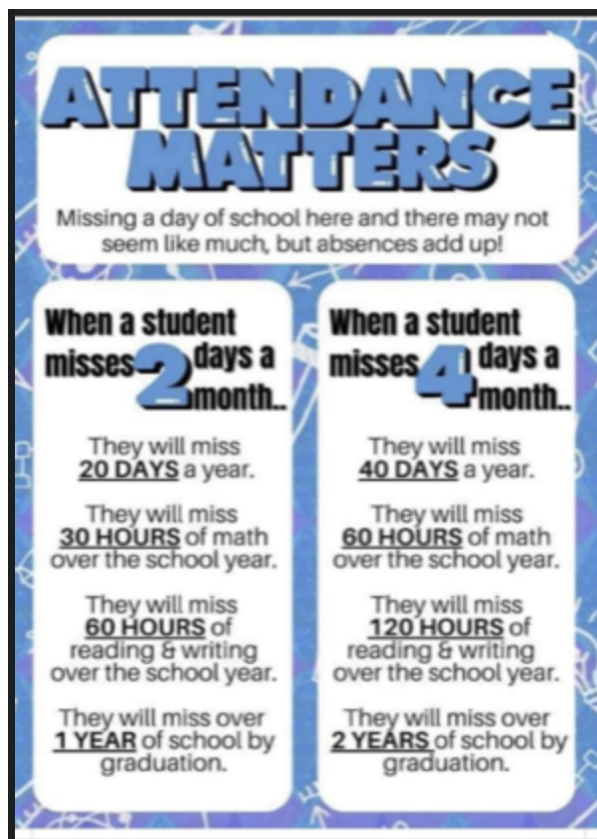
# Monroe - Message From the Principal

September 18, 2023

## Notes from the Principal, Mrs. Roux ...

I hope everyone weathered the storm over the weekend. I bet a rainy day is just what some students needed after the first full week of school. I'm guessing some staff needed that as well. 😊

We are excited about our Open House coming up on Monday evening September 25 from 5:30-6:30. This will be a little more formal than our Meet and Greet, as several exciting things have already been put into place in classrooms. The evening will provide a chance for families to see classroom spaces that have clear expectations in place, samples of student work and an opportunity to hear from teachers about the many exciting things already happening, as well as planned for the year. We hope you will be able to join us for this event.





Reminders this week include:

- At this time, we are still asking that students be dropped off at the main entrance where a staff member will greet them and escort them inside.
- Daily dismissal time will begin with parent pick ups at 3:00, followed by bus dismissals. Parents are asked to pull up to the entrance and your child will be brought out to meet your car.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have questions, concerns, or need support for your child or your family. Have a great week!

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Check out what's happening at Monroe School ... Week Of: 9/11

K	<p>In kindergarten this week we talked about apples. We know the parts on an apple and how they grow. We also did apple experiments, we made hypothesis about weather a whole apple, a half an apple and an apple seed would sink or float then we put pieces of an apple in 4 jars (1 with just air, 1 with water, 1 with oil and one with apple cider vinegar) to see what would happen in each jar over the weekend. We are getting ready for the open house on 9/25 by having some special work on display. More on that next week!</p>
<p>1/2</p> 	<p>First and Second graders have been preparing for Reading Workshop by continuing to build their reading stamina. They have also begun practicing playing some of the games we will play during Reading Workshop, such as Roll and Read. Beginning of the Year assessments have been completed, and we are ready to start our reading groups!</p>
<p>2/3</p> 	<p>Our class is gearing up for the school year by increasing the amount of academic time spent each day. We are reviewing the basic rules of sentence writing, enjoying books through read aloud, silent reading and viewing books on Epic. We started our first social studies unit of the year, Wabanaki. I really enjoy teaching this unit, and hope to incorporate some hands-on crafts in the coming weeks. The picture to the side represents the four tribes that make up the Wabanaki today.</p>
4/5	<p>¾ students finished up their All About Me posters that will be on display during the open house on 9/25. We completed our writing prompt for informational writing and started practicing nonfiction text features and learning about the author's message. We are reading Percy Jackson and are on the edge of our seats wanting more. Math we continue to learn about Math Workshop tools, strategies, and practices. We will be starting the Go Math program next week.</p>
Title One	<p>Title 1 has begun the beginning of year testing. Students who are being identified to receive extra support will have parents contacted by the classroom teacher. Letters will also be going home shortly.</p>
Music	<p>This week in music K-2 students learned about beat by listening to Simon and Garfunkel's The Boxer and finding the rhythmic pulse. Once students had a basic understanding of beat they applied it to percussion instruments and created movements to A Tribe Called Quest's Can I Kick it?. 3-5 students started working in BandLab, the digital audio workstation(DAW) we will be using to record the songs we write in class. Students were introduced to using DAWs by "sampling", using pre recorded loops to make original compositions.</p>

PE	The children continue to impress and work hard on strength, endurance and our core values of being kind and supportive. I am so excited to see the development and progress physically, mentally and behaviorally. Monroe is rocking it. Yup
Library	Students are off to a strong start with library habits! Many students are already taking good care of their library books and returning them each week. Ask your student what their class has been enjoying for their read aloud!
Agriculture	Our award-winning gardeners continue to practice following our PAWS in Agriculture Class. This week, K-1 students used their sense of touch to identify vegetables from the garden hidden under a harvest blanket. Team Norgang harvested potatoes and selected the best to show at the Common Ground Country Fair. In their place, fourth and fifth graders planted cold-hearty greens. What a fun week in the garden!
SEL	This week, all classes practiced their communication skills with a fun activity that let them put what they learned into action. We also started to review our zones of regulation



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**DISCLAIMER: For all students under the age of 18: A parent/legal guardian signature is  
required on the MEOC application and students must attend the workshop with at least one of  
their parents/legal guardians.**





Thursday, November 9th, 2023

**IN PERSON OR LIVE ZOOM**

5:30-7pm

## **FREE VETERANS LAW CLASS**

"Who doesn't know a veteran" or "THE VA" ?

One phrase rings true, the other spurs thoughts of frustration, bureaucratic double-speak; and confusion.

However, some attorneys, like Mailloux and Marden's Tyler Hadyniak (Mount View Class of 2011), are experts in navigating the VA benefits system and helping veterans get disability benefits for medical conditions they think are related to service.

Tyler's legal career began in veterans law, and he is the only veterans disability law attorney in Waldo and Knox Counties.

This course will be a basic, introductory guide to veterans benefits law. There is no charge to attend but registration is required.

Tyler will walk participants through the VA benefits process, and explain what an applicant needs to prove and how to do it. By the end of the class, participants will be able to explain to veterans, their friends, and family, what is required to get compensation through the VA.

