

# **Morse Newsletter**

### 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.

This week we are excited about our Open House on Thursday evening from 5:00-6:30. 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.

During the Open House, we will also have the Book Fair open for families to shop. This is a great time to be thinking about picking out some books to put away for Christmas presents.

A few important 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 beginning at approximately 3:15. Parents are asked to pull up to the entrance and your child will be brought out to meet your car. During drop off and pick up, if you plan to walk your child to the door, please park in the parking lot across the street so as not to interrupt the flow of traffic. Thank you!

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!

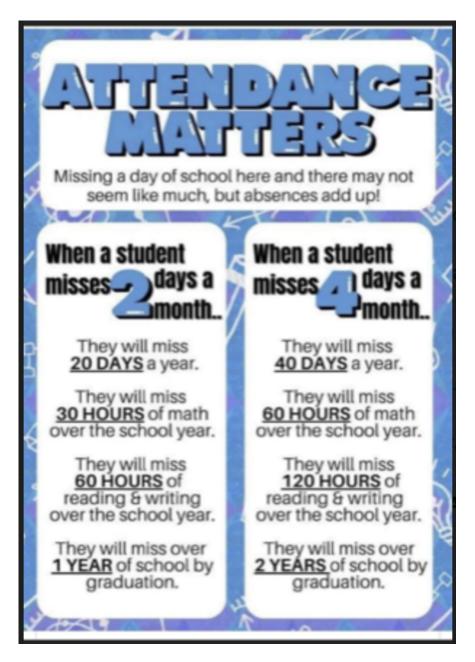
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#### Notes from the Office: Important Upcoming Dates..... 9/21 - Open House and Book Fair 5:00-6:30 Please see important information below regarding Picture Day - it's coming in October! 9/27 - Early Release Day Book fair is happening this week! 10/6 - No School - Professional Development Day for Teachers On September 26 at 10:00 am, there will be a Zoom 10/9 - No School Volunteer Orientation. Please contact Jenny Tibbetts to reserve your spot: 568-4640 ext 1413 or jtibbetts@rsu3.org 10/10 - Picture Day 10/25 - Early Release Day

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

К	We have had such an amazing start to this year in Kindergarten. We have been busy learning how to work together in the classroom, and I'm so happy with how hard everyone is working to become independent with morning routines. We are focusing on how to be SAFE with our bodies, actions, and words. We have just started learning about apples. We are reading fiction and non-fiction books about apples and drew some apples of our own. Next week we are looking forward to making applesauce together!
1/2 B	Week three was a success. We welcomed a new friend this week and continued creating a positive, learning environment. Assessments are still ongoing and students are learning procedures for independent work centers. I look forward to seeing families this Thursday for our Open House from 5:00-6:30.
1/2 P	This week in class we have been practicing "active listening" throughout each and every day in all subjects. Even in math class we have worked in partners and groups to solve problems and come up with strategies by listening to one another and sharing ideas. It's my hope that all students will be able to put active listening into practice successfully this school year to improve our learning environment for everyone! Perhaps you might ask your child how much of an active listener they are at school and if they have a goal for improvement.
3/4 M	Another successful week of learning has been completed with my third and fourth grade thinkers! We finished up our QSI assessments so we can focus on getting the right word study books for each learner. We worked hard and collaboratively on a graph project and students have established a deeper understanding of collecting data and parts of a graph, both picture and bar graphs. I have a lot olf potential writers with amazing ideas and I am excited to continue the writing process. This coming week, we plan to work on fall themed writing and focus on our science lessons. I hope to see everyone at the Open House this Thursday so our young learners can share their progress in the classroom.
3/4 R	Students worked hard this week on assessments and will finish next week. We are settling in with our routines and look forward to beginning math and reading groups once we have our assessment scores. Students will have some work to share with you at our Open House on Thursday evening. We look forward to seeing you there!
5	We finished up assessments and are looking ahead to beginning our Reading and math groups. In the coming weeks I will be sharing your students' assessment scores with them and we will be creating goals that address their strengths and challenges.
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. Morse 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 ROARS in Agriculture Class. This week, K-1 students used their sense of sight to look closely at a special rock. After mixing them back up, they were able to find their original rock! Other students harvested potatoes, tomatoes, and apples. Ms. Merchant's class started the process of saving heirloom tomato seeds from tomatoes in our garden. What a fun week in the class!
SEL	This week, all classes practiced their communication skill with a fun activity that let them put what they learned into action. We also started to review our zones on regulation







# SUBSTITUTE TEACHER TRAINING

2 NIGHT SESSIONS OCTOBER 4TH & 18TH \$15.00 SUPPLIES FEE 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Learn the ins and outs of subbing in just two short sessions! Taught by trained educators and experienced substitute teachers. Supported by the RSU #3 staff and community and provided by:





Check out these FREE Digital Literacy classes



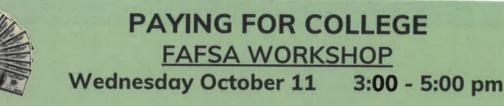
Coming soon to RSU 3 Adult Ed!

Windows 10 PC Basics	Oct. 3rd at 4pm
Understanding WordPress	Oct. 5th at 2pm
Using Gmail Effectively	Oct. 31 at 2:30pm
Understanding WordPress	Nov. 2nd at 6pm
Applying for the Affordable Connectivity Program	Nov. 14 at 6pm
Learning about Devices	Dec. 5 at 3pm
Internet Safety	Dec. 7 at 3pm
Video Conferencing with Healthcare Providers, Family, & Friends	Dec. 11 at 3pm

Don't see what you want? Just ask!

College Successferies

Presented by RSU #3 Adult & Community Education and Dori L. Leadbetter of The Maine Educational Opportunity Center (MEOC)





## APPLYING FOR COLLEGE APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Wednesday November 8 3:00 - 5:00 pm



## FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP Wednesday December 6 3:00 - 5:00 pm

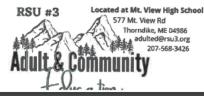
How to Register

This is a free service but you must register with both Adult Ed & MEOC. Adult Education registration: In person or online at <u>rsu3.maineadulted.org</u> Students that have not already submitted a MEOC application to receive free MEOC services, please complete the MEOC online application from your cell phone or computer using this weblink:

https://trio.maine.edu/meoc/meoc\_application.php

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 <u>IN PERSON OR LIVE ZOOM</u> 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.

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