



Morse Newsletter

September 25, 2023

Notes from the Principal, Mrs. Roux ...

It was great to see so many of you at our Open House. This is always a great opportunity for families to get a clearer understanding of some of the school and classroom routines, see samples of student work, and talk with the teacher about how the school year is starting off. I strongly encourage all families to maintain open lines of communication with your child's teachers, our Dean of Students, and myself. We all want the same things for every student which includes school experiences that are positive, fun, and filled with teaching opportunities not just for academics but important life-long skills that will set students up for success. Please be watching for opportunities to visit the school, take a few minutes to check out the What's Happening portion of these weekly newsletters, talk with your child every day about things happening at school, and always reach out sooner rather than later if your child is experiencing challenges related to school.

As a reminder, we are still continually reviewing important safety routines at school, such as fire drills, and ALICE protocols. Please continue to talk with your child about the things they are learning at school to keep themselves and others safe. As always, we are very mindful to approach these topics in an age appropriate way to ensure that students understand the importance of being prepared, without being scared or anxious.



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:

Please see important information below regarding Picture Day - it's coming in October!

On September 26 at 10:00 am, there will be a Zoom Volunteer Orientation. Please contact Jenny Tibbetts to reserve your spot:

568-4640 ext 1413 or jtibbetts@rsu3.org

Important Upcoming Dates.....

9/27 - Early Release Day

10/6 - No School - Professional Development Day for Teachers

10/9 - No School

10/10 - Picture Day

10/10 - School Board Meeting

10/25 - Early Release Day

Check out what's happening at Morse School ... Week Of: 9/18


K




This week we picked apples from our school apple trees and made applesauce. It was a great experience for everyone to see how apples come from trees and are made into food.

1/2 B

Our routines are becoming a regular part of our days. Open house on Thursday was a great success! It was nice seeing so many families. Thank you for your support at the book fair. Assessments are ongoing this week and next. As a class we are working on building friendships and following directions. I hope families were able to enjoy Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes. We spent the week enjoying the book and activities to help us share the story with home. Be on the lookout for email to connect to our class Seesaw page. Any questions email me at jbraley@rsu3.org

<p>1/2 P</p>	<p>Thank you to all of the families that attended the open house. I was ecstatic to have 90% of our class attend! Each week our class is working hard at classroom expectations and earning Preferred Activity Time on Friday when we are successful. This week we reached our goal of 12 minutes and chose to play outside on this beautiful day! Hopefully we will reach our goal next week!</p> 
<p>3/4 M</p>	<p>I am very proud of my 3rd and 4th grade thinkers! In math they worked together in groups to create their own “word problems-situations.” We also started a math assessment so I can get a better understanding of all my young learners’ math levels. In literacy we completed Fall science lessons which involved identifying traits of leaves and natural selection when planting fruit seeds (including giant pumpkins). In writing we worked on acrostic poems and created acrostic poems with the word AUTUMN. They also worked on a writing piece that involves using their 5 senses. What does Autumn look, smell, taste, feel and sound like to them? Thank you to the family members that made a small appearance at the Open House. It was amazing for all of my students to share tidbits of their classroom environment, especially with the routine, schedule, their own work and sharing what they like so far this year. I cannot wait to begin another week of fun and enriching learning! Please feel free to contact me anytime with questions! And starting now, you all may call me Mrs. Rasar!</p>
<p>3/4 R</p>	<p>It was another great week in 3rd and 4th grade! The students have been doing so well as we have been finishing up math and reading assessments. It was so nice to see so many of you at our Open House and Book Fair! I love how proud the students were to share what they’ve been working on. We are looking forward to a community leaf project we will complete this week. We will be identifying leaves in our community and recording the data, so please feel free to help your child collect leaves and bring them in this week!</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>This week 5th graders turned their focus from data collection to engineering, in science. They will continue to learn about the engineering design process and will be able to investigate, build and test some prototypes as solutions to real world problems. Also, please remind your students that they have a book share project due on the 29th. They should be thinking about their projects and collecting the materials they need. They have some time at school to work on this but I have encouraged them to enlist help from home as well. Please reach out if you have any questions.</p>

<p>Music</p>	<p>This week K-2 built on their understanding of beat by learning about meter. Students learned about the meter of 2 and practiced listening for it with a march. We then explored meter of three by learning the first half of the box step. 3-5 students practiced artistic design through graffiti. Students chose a word and then created a word bank from their understanding of the word. After students mapped their understanding with a bubble diagram and used that to inform their graffiti. This is the same process we will use later for lyric development.</p>
<p>PE</p>	<p>Another awesome week at Morse - the energy, the enthusiasm and the effort is really being exhibited by the children - Odelia, Payton and Layla are excellent role models and leaders - well done</p>
<p>Library</p>	<p>We are finishing up our lessons in library expectations, book care, and responsibility in K-2. Students are doing their very best to be responsible with their library books this year! Grades 3-5 are working their way through their chapter books, and making responsible choices with their library books as well.</p>
<p>Agriculture</p> 	<p>What an exciting week for our school agriculture program! Students readied our produce for exhibition at the Common Ground Country Fair: from picking, to washing, to weighing, to selecting our entries. We earned two first place ribbons, one second place ribbon, and two third place ribbons for our school garden-grown produce! Congratulations, students!!</p>
<p>SEL</p>	<p>This week at Morse, grades 3,4 and 5 started to learn about what self care means and what they can do for self care. The k, 1 and 2 classes learned about and practiced their active listening skills.</p>

PICTURE DAY

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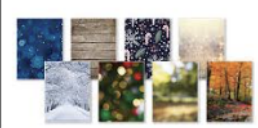
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Nov. 14 at 6pm

Learning about Devices

Dec. 5 at 3pm

Internet Safety

Dec. 7 at 3pm

Video Conferencing with
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Dec. 11 at 3pm

**Don't see what
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College Success Series

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



PAYING FOR COLLEGE FAFSA WORKSHOP

Wednesday October 11 3:00 - 5:00 pm



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 rsu3.maineadulted.org

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

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.



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