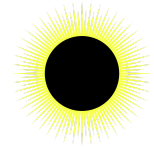


Morse Newsletter



April 8, 2024

Notes from the Principal, Ms. Dupuy ...

I hope you and your children were able to witness the breathtaking beauty of the recent total eclipse together! Events like this offer unique opportunities for shared wonder and learning experiences. I look forward to hearing about the different experiences our students had.

Unfortunately due to the weather we were unable to have our Spring Fling last Friday...but we are excited to share that the PTCO will be hosting this event on this Friday the 12th. Please see the attached flier for more details. It looks to be a lot of fun and I hope to see many of you there.

My final reminder is that we will be having an early release day this Friday, the 12th. This will be the start of our spring break. I encourage you to take advantage of this time to not only rest and recharge but to also spend quality time with your family! Don't forget to read over break to earn tickets for the bike raffle! Have fun!!

Reminders this week include:

- With this Spring weather comes mud! Sometimes our students' get a little wet. You may want to consider sending a dry set of clothes for students to keep at school or in their backpacks so they can change into something dry.
- 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!

(email: jdupuy@rsu3.org school phone: 722-3636 cell: 249-1061)

Notes from the Office:




Check out our Hannaford Helps Flyer below to help our school raise money!!



Important Upcoming Dates.....

- 4/8 - Early Release 1:00 PM
- 4/8 - School Board Meeting at MVHS 6:30
- 4/12 - Early Release for Students
- 4/12 - Spring Family Dance
- 4/15 - 4/19 April Break

Check out what's happening at Morse School ... Week Of: 4/1

K	<p>This week we started some non-fiction writing in the form of science journals. We planted marigold and sunflower seeds and will be recording our observations as they grow. We also started our spring science unit around weather and will be journaling the different parts of weather each day. Please remember to read with your child each night - book bags should be coming home each night. Keep filling out the Bikes for Books slips!</p>
3/4 M	<p>Despite the snow day and late start, another successful week of learning was completed! We continued to work in math groups and worked on successful transitions and expectations during group time. I absolutely love all the timelines my young learners brought in and it is great to see others enjoy looking at these timelines. Now onto the next project! In literacy we started our rainforest unit and I am excited for the research project we will be doing in our classroom. Have a fantabulous week!</p>
3/4 R	<p>This week, all book clubs wrapped up reading and discussing their first book club books. We took some math assessments and will begin new units. Third grade will continue to learn multiplication facts and fourth grade will begin a unit on fractions. We are going to begin a unit on poetry during the month of April in writing.</p>
5	<p>This week 5th grade walked to the park and spent Tuesday afternoon celebrating by playing baseball and exploring the local wildlife. We also continued exploring different types of poetry. My intention is for everyone to choose a poem that they would like to use for April's Bookshare by the end of this week. I would like to host a poetry reading after vacation instead of our traditional presentations. Please stay tuned for more information on the date and time.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">    </div>
Music	<p>This week K-2 students have been learning about Taiko drumming. We listened to some taiko drummers play, discussed cultural aspects of Taiko drumming, and played bucket drums.</p> <p>3-5 students added their finishing touches to their aesthetic projects and will start sharing the songs they chose starting next week.</p> <p>📺 林英哲 / 海の豊饒(和太鼓アンサンブル) Eitetsu Hayashi // Fertility of the ...</p>

Agriculture



Last week, Mrs. Braley's and Mrs. Rawley's classes worked on cleaning out the front gardens with the help of our secretary, Miss Lisa. Other classes explored seaweed. We learned about the different parts of seaweed and how it's different than a plant. We also got to touch different types of seaweed. It felt great to be outside!



SEL

This week at Morse we practiced our conflict resolution skills through mini skits where students performed a conflict and their solutions to the class.

SAVE THE DATE!

**** RESCHEDULED ****

Don't forget to save the date for the PTCO sponsored,



All students must be accompanied by an adult for the whole event!

Rescheduled Date: April 12, 2024

Time and Location: 5pm-7pm

at Morse Memorial Elementary

(27 School St. Brooks, ME 04921)



Hi everyone:

The Kids Bowl Free Summer Bowling Program is available in our community and we thought that your family might enjoy this great deal. Each child receives 2 FREE Games of Bowling Every Day All Summer and last summer over 2,800,000 kids enjoyed this great program.

Here's How You Can Register Your Children/Family

1. Go to www.KidsBowlFree.com
2. Click on the State and then select the bowling center that you'd like to participate at.
3. Register your children to receive Free Bowling all summer long
4. Sign up the adults and/or older children for the optional Family Pass which allows up to 4 adult family members including parents, grandparents, or older siblings to join in the bowling fun.

P.S. Forward this email on to friends and/or family members that may be interested in participating in this FUN Family Deal!

Bowling Centers in Maine

Augusta	1-7-10 Bowling & Entertainment Center
Brewer	Brewer Lanes
Gorham	Junction Bowl
Hallowell	Interstate Bowling Center
Parsonsfield	Archie's Strike & Spar
Portland	Spare Time Portland
Sanford	Smitty's GameLAB
Skowhegan	Central Maine Family Fun Bowl

If you go on vacation out of state this summer you can also bowl while there as well. Go to the website showing in #1 above and search by state to get a list of bowling centers.

KIDS BOWL FREE
REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR A
SPRING & SUMMER FUN
Bowling Pass
2 FREE GAMES OF BOWLING
A DAY THIS SPRING & SUMMER!
(or equivalent time)

TO REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN TO RECEIVE
2 FREE GAMES OF BOWLING
A DAY THIS SPRING & SUMMER,
GO TO **WWW.KIDSBOWLFREE.COM**

Sign Up Now... IT'S FREE!
SIGN UP AT
www.KidsBowlFree.com
and
Click On A Center In Your Community

WHAT TO DO...

- 1 Go To The Website Above To Register Each Child
- 2 Receive The Free Bowling Passes Every Week Electronically
- 3 Come & Enjoy Bowling This Spring & Summer!

Registered Children Receive Certificates
To Bowl Two Free Games A Day Or
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Sign Up Now

Waldo County Youth Softball



2024 SEASON REGISTRATION

AGES 4-12

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL
WCYOUTHSOFTBALL@GMAIL.COM

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RSU3

Kindergarten Registration

It is kindergarten registration time in RSU3.

If you have a child who will be five on or before **October 15th, 2024** please use the link below to register them for school.

It is important our educators know about incoming students ahead of time to ensure the best school start for them!

[Kindergarten Registration](#)

After completing the initial online application, you will be contacted later in the Spring for a time to come to school for the screening.

You will need to have these ready to upload during online registration process.

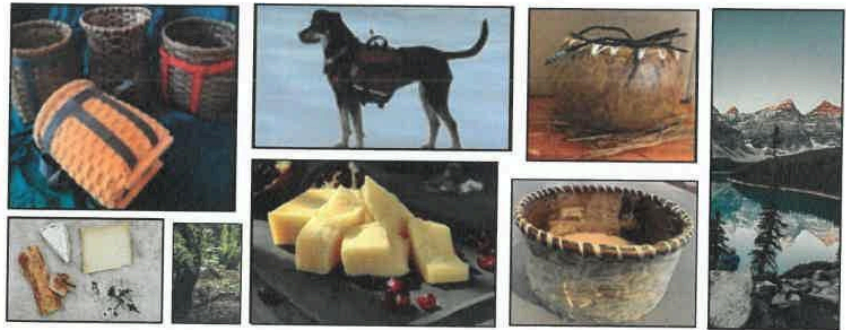
- Your child's original **birth certificate** with the raised seal
- **Proof of residence** (examples are utility bill, lease agreement, tax bill)
- Copy of your child's **current immunization record**
- Any court documents that pertain to your child

**Any questions
please contact your
area school.**

**If you are unable to register
online please call for
additional information.**

Contact information and screening days:

Monroe, May 20.....	525-3504
Morse, May 21	722-3636
Mt. View, May 23 & 24	568-7541
Troy, May 17	948-2280
Walker, May 22	589-4208



Cheese, Yogurt, Ice Cream ... OH MY! March 28 5:00-8:00pm \$55.00

Get ready to sink your teeth in some tasty treats. This is a 3-hour course where we will learn how to make soft cheese, yogurt, and my favorite...ice cream. We will go over the tools and materials needed, ingredients, recipes, and the step-by-step process. Get ready to taste our lovely homemade treats.

Gourd Bowl with Pine Rim April 23 5:00-8:00pm \$55.00

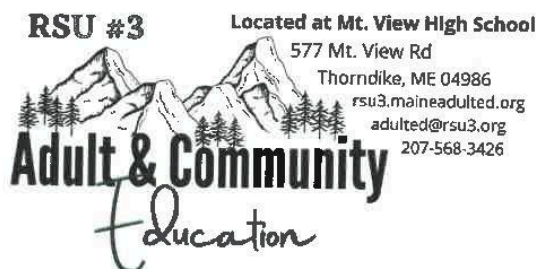
Make a gourd basket. Perfect for a gift or to keep for yourself. Gourds will be pre-cut. Students will need to clean gourds, sand, and drill holes. Then we will sew white pine needles to the rim. We will be able to pick from a number of stains to finish the gourds. Gourds are around 4-5" in diameter. During this class, we will also go over the basics of making pine needle baskets. This is another great class to learn a skill for life.

Dog and Cat First Aid May 16th 5:00-8:30pm \$60.00

This training is to teach participants how to be prepared for emergencies that involve a cat or dog. The training will combine videos, lectures, interactive discussion, and hands-on practical's. By the end of training participants will be able to do or understand the following: What goes into a pet first aid kit, What is the normal physical condition, behaviors and habits of your pet, Identify a normal heart rate, breathing rate and temperature, How to safely approach an ill or injured cat or dog, How to capture and restrain a cat and muzzle a dog, Demonstrate how to perform bandaging for soft tissue injuries, Care for fractures including head and neck injuries, Learn how to care for an animal with heat/cold related emergencies, Check for breathing and cardiac emergencies and Understand how to give rescue breathing and perform CPR for a dog or cat. Must be 18.

Birch Bark Basket June 4th 5:00 pm-8:00 \$50.00

Make your own birch bark basket. Learn how to identify trees, collect the bark from down trees, how to process the bark, and finally how to make a basket. Course fee will cover all material and instruction.



These classes are brought to you by Jessica Steele of Wood Thrush Wilderness LLC. Jessica is a former director of the Outdoor Adventure Center at Unity College. Her credentials include: B.A. Ecopsychology and Outdoor Education from Prescott College, AZ., M.Ed. Adventure Education Plymouth State University, NH., Registered Maine Recreational Guide, National Registered EMT, SOLO Wilderness First Aid and Wilderness First Responder Instructor, American Red Cross First Aid & CPR Instructor and Lifeguard, American Canoe Association Level 1 & 2 Instructor, and a Leave No Trace Master Educator. Each class has a Min of 8 and Max of 12 students.



It's Not If You Need An Estate Plan, It's When



Instructor: Randolph A. Mailloux, Esq.

This FREE class is a basic overview of estate planning, including discussion of essential documents and strategies. After attending this two night course students will be able to make informed decisions to prepare for the orderly transfer and protection of assets.

Wednesday, April 3rd & 10th

5:30-7:30pm

Register for FREE today!

**www.rsu3.maineadulted.org or scan the code below with
the camera of your mobile device.**



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Finding and applying for Scholarships

Wed, Mar 20 4pm-6pm

Wed, Apr 24 4pm-6pm

Wed, May 29 4pm-6pm

How to Register

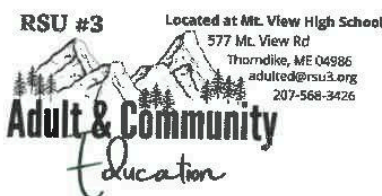
This is a free service but you must register with both Adult Ed & MEOC.

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.





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RECYCLE ON JUNE 1, 2024

Morse School is recruiting volunteers!

Music on Wednesday
Come instill a lifelong love
of music, share your
understanding of the art,
and have fun.

*20 Minutes, an hour, all day!
Whatever fits your schedule!*

*Please contact the RSU#3
volunteer coordinator,
Jenny Tibbetts,
for more information:
jtibbetts@rsu3.org
(207)568-4640 ext. 1413*

Thank you!

*Math with 1st and 2nd
Grades*

1:00-2:00 Monday

1:30-2:30 Tuesday

10:30-11:20 Thursday

*Come for any of these
times and help
teach kids numbers.*

*Reading with Grades
3-5*

*Read with kids
any afternoon for
an hour.*



Willing Hearts Army
RSU#3 Volunteers



Is my child too sick for school?

Each day many parents are faced with a decision: should they keep their sick children at home or send them to school? Often the way a child looks and acts can make the decision an obvious one. In accordance with Maine Department of Health and Human Services guidelines, a child should not attend school if he/she exhibits one or more of the following symptoms or infections:

Keep your child home if he/she has any of the following symptoms:

- **Fever** (Greater than 100° F)- the student may return when fever-free for **24 hours WITHOUT the use of fever reducing medication.**
- **Cough:** A child with an uncontrolled cough should stay home until they are coughing with less frequency.
- **Diarrhea/Vomiting:** A child with diarrhea and/or vomiting should stay at home and return to school only after being symptom free for 24 hours.
- **Rash-** Any new onset of rash if accompanied by fever; may return after rash resolves or diagnosis is made and clearance given
- **Skin Lesions (sores)** – A student should not be at school with any sores with drainage that cannot be contained within a bandage
- **Strep Throat/Impetigo and other bacterial infections requiring antibiotics-** A student with strep throat must remain home until they have been on their antibiotics for a full 24 hours.
- **Colds-** A child with thick yellow-greenish mucous accompanied by fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or constant nasal discharge should remain home. Very few younger children can effectively blow their noses and wash their hands afterward. A child with the above symptoms will quickly spread the illness to other children.
- **Other-** Any symptoms or complaints that prevent the student from active participation in usual school activities

If your student tests positive for COVID-19, they must isolate at home for 5 days. After 5 days they may return with symptom improvement, masking days 6 through 10. More information can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation>.

Home is the best place for a child who is ill. Students with these symptoms cannot comfortably participate in school activities and unnecessarily expose others to their illnesses.