



# Troy Newsletter

October 9, 2023

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

I hope you all enjoyed the long weekend! Last week was an amazing week. Students had Friday off but staff spent the day involved in incredible professional development with opportunities to talk with colleagues across the district. It was time well spent.

Please help us welcome our new Interim Superintendent, Paul Penna. We are looking forward to the many ways he will support our district in the coming months as we begin the transition to finding our next full time superintendent.

Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up in a couple of weeks. Your child's teacher will be sending home specific information and details about how to sign up for these important meetings. These conferences will provide a more formal opportunity for each family to talk about your own specific child(ren), how the start of the school year has gone, and next steps/goals that have been set for you child based on the assessment data we have been collecting for the past several weeks. Please be sure to sign up for a conference, as you are a critical member of your child's educational team.

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.

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.

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 be in the habit of checking backpacks daily for important reminders and information.

See below for information about our upcoming book fair!

Please see important information below from our RSU 3 nurse.

## **Important Upcoming Dates.....**

10/10 - School Board Meeting


10/25 - Early Release

10/25 and 10/26 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

10/23-10/27 - Scholastic Book Fair



## Check out what's happening at Troy School ... Week Of: 10/2

<p>4/5</p>	<p>This week, we attempted to work on our NWEA testing. Unfortunately, they gave us the wrong test. It was a great practice run for us and we'll be even better when we get to the real test!</p> <p>We continued reading Shakespeare's Secret and are curious about the missing diamond and Hero's search of it.</p> <p>In Math, we have finished up our Geometry Unit and are moving into place value practice and reminders before we get into Multiplication soon.</p> <p>We are having fun with descriptive writing. I would encourage you to ask your students to tell you a descriptive story at home. They are doing a great job here at school! We enjoyed doing group writes this week where we got to add to other's stories.</p> <p><b>From the students:</b>          I did chorus with Mr. Hatch. Abby and Clay and a few others came too. I played guitar and we were doing keys. By Jaiden          WE DID GRAPHS IN MATH CLASS. WE ALSO SENT MESSAGES TO MR. BENNETT ON GMAIL. BY ETHAN</p>
<p>Intervention</p> 	<p>Some students are working on reviewing letter name and letter sound. We've played some fun games to review. Alphabet Bingo, I Spy, and a letter hunt, as well as, using some different materials to make the letters. Play-doh is a favorite! After they make the letter they use their thumb to push down the play-doh letter while saying the sound it makes.</p>
<p>PE</p>	<p>Awesome things going on at Troy - starting the Jump Rope for Heart program - the positivity and care for each other continues - well done</p>
<p>Agriculture</p>	<p>Guest teacher, Miss Sherry, led Agriculture Class this week. Our youngest students listened to the story, <u>The Tiny Seed</u>, by Eric Carle. Then they sequenced the plot using a storyboard. The older students went beneath the soil to investigate worms. Miss Sherry read <u>Diary of a Worm</u>, then students completed a graphic organizer to make up their own wormy story.</p>
<p>SEL</p>	<p>This week at Troy, all classes got to enjoy the weather and had class outside. We played several games all focused on becoming confident and spreading kindness and encouragement to our classmates.</p>



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

### More Bookjoy, less hassle—with **eWallet**!

This year, say *goodbye* to giving your kids crumpled bills and loose change...and *hello* to **eWallet**, a super-convenient, secure digital payment account, for the Scholastic Book Fair. Setting up an eWallet for your child empowers them to choose their own books and effortlessly check out during the Best. Week. Ever. at their school. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs. Now, that's a win-win!



Create Account



Add Funds



Share with Family  
and Friends



Shop



Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started:



Starting October 2nd, 2023

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/troycentralelementaryschool>



Dear Families:

Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school.

Here's what you need to know about the big event, which will take place:

**Monday 10/23/2023 through Friday 10/27/2023**  
**at the school**

Say goodbye to cash and hello to **eWallet**—your child's digital payment account. Before the Fair, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child's eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy.

If you can't make it to the Fair, then **shop at our school's Book Fair online**. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Every online purchase will also benefit our school.

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping:  
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/troycentralelementaryschool>

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading,

**Lisa Roux**  
Principal  
**Troy Central Elementary School**





## 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.



## 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:



register online at [rsu3.maineadulted.org](http://rsu3.maineadulted.org) or call us today 568-3426



## 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 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](http://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](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.





A photograph of the Colosseum in Rome at night, illuminated by warm lights against a dark blue sky with some clouds.

***8 Days and 9 Nights***  
**June 20-29, 2024**

**The Best of Italy's Culture, History, Food & Wine**  
**Rome, Florence, Tuscany & Umbria**

**Register by Oct 31, 2023 for Early Bird Pricing!**

**Trip Website: <https://www.astravel.world/rsu-3-trip-2023>**

**Informational Meeting Monday Oct 2 5:30-6:30pm**

**Live or via Zoom at MVHS - Register online at [rsu3.maineadulted.org](https://rsu3.maineadulted.org)**

