

# Monroe - Message From the Principal



May 1, 2023



I would like to send a huge thank you to our amazing PTO for their help with celebrating staff appreciation week. On Monday we were able to offer the whole staff lunch and the opportunity to spend a duty free hour together - which, trust me, is a very appreciated treat! 😊 There are additional things planned throughout the week and all of these things are simple ways of letting the staff know that the work they do is important and appreciated.

Next week is very exciting as we are hosting a book fair! It has been awhile since this has happened at Monroe School and we are happy to be bringing it back. The fair will be open to students to view and purchase on a couple of days and then Thursday afternoon will be an opportunity for families to come and purchase from the book fair. Here is some information from the PTO about an eWallet option.

Parents can set up an eWallet for the child to shop at the book fair by clicking our [Scholastic Bookfair homepage](#) and scrolling down. Click on the 'set up an eWallet' button on the right side. eWallet is the cashless way for students to shop at the bookfair on Thursday May 11th at school or online. You can even share the link to your child's eWallet with family and friends!

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/monroefamilies4literacy>

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**BOOK FAIRS**  
**CONVENIENT, CASH-FREE SHOPPING WITH eWALLET!**

It's Book Fair Time! This year, say hello to **eWALLET!** Empower students to choose their own books and check out with their very own digital payment account. Book Fair eWallet can be used at the Fair or online. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs! Win-Win!

**CREATE ACCOUNT**   **ADD FUNDS**   *and/or*   **SHARE WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS**   **SHOP**

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

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: [lroux@rsu3.org](mailto:lroux@rsu3.org)   school phone: 525-3504   home phone: 568-3980   cell: 323-0990)

Don't forget about our Bikes For Books program going on now. Be sure to remind your child that the more he/she reads, the more chances they will have to win a new bike and helmet!



**Chronic absence (missing 10 percent of the school year or more) does not just affect the students who miss school. If too many students are chronically absent, it slows down instruction for other students, who must wait while the teacher repeats material for absentee students. This makes it harder for students to learn and teachers to teach.**

Check Out What's Happening at Monroe School: **Week of 4/24**

K	<p>Kindergarten students have been learning about 3D shapes. They are learning about flat and curved surfaces through experimentation by seeing if the shapes will roll, slide, or stack. The best way to do this is by building, exploring, and talking about what they notice.</p>	
1	<p>This week we had our make-up session at the YMCA and although it did not go as planned we made the best of it. We were not able to swim and even though we were very disappointed, we had a great lesson in flexibility and I am very proud of my class for handling it so well. We still went to the YMCA and played in the Gym. Mr. B was awesome and helped make it a wonderful time. Thank you so much Mr. B!! We ate lunch there and then took the scenic bus ride home and drove past the Train and the Rail Trail. Great Job First Grade!</p>	

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Our class had a great field trip the the Challenger Space Center. Students took a simulated trip to the moon, used various scientific equipment, and practiced being at Mission Control to support astronauts.

We also visited the Cole Transportation Museum, who were kind enough to pay for most of our visit to the space center! Definitely consider a visit to the Cole Museum next time you're in Bangor.

4/5

% came back from vacation with a surprise in our classroom. The seeds they had planted during garden class had sprouted and are growing strong! We missed Earth Day during vacation so we did some Kahoot to learn a little more about the Earth and what we can do to help keep it beautiful. We started opinion writing and finished up factors in fourth grade and decimals in fifth grade. On to fractions for both! Remember to look out for the date for your child to bring in their Social Studies snack/dessert. I am trying to send out at least a week in advance. Also, the 5th grade field trip is Friday!

SEL

This week at Monroe, 4-5 finished and presented their class projects, k and 1 learned how to say the problem and how to tell the difference between on puropes and an accident.

Garden

All classes enjoyed time outside in our greenhouse and garden! The spinach seeds we planted outside germinated! We planted more spinach, started some radish seeds, and started working on the gardens in front of the school. It feels great to get our hands in the soil!



GT

ELA class is finishing Wild Wings by Gil Lewis. This book is about a boy and girl who discover an osprey nest and their fascination with this bird. They are determined to carefully observe but not bother the nest activity. They learn about the osprey's habits and migration route to western Africa. We have enjoyed watching a live-cam of an osprey nest near a loch (lake) in Scotland as an enrichment extension. ART class has been related to the ELA book and earlier form studies. We have been drawing ospreys using pencil and colored pencil to develop form and accurate coloring. STEAM class has finished independent study projects (solar energy and instamatic cameras) and is now beginning new project research.

**MAY 6th, ~~1967~~ 2023**



**NOW FEATURING!**  
A SPECIAL APPEARANCE  
BY THE OWLS HEAD  
TRANSPORTATION  
MUSEUM AS PART OF  
THE SPRING AUTO  
TOUR!

**Second Annual**

# **MOUNT VIEW**

**CLASS OF 2023**

## **CAR SHOW**

All proceeds go to the Class of 2023  
\$5 per vehicle attendance, spectators **FREE**  
Sponsorship/vendor opportunities  
Come bring your ride, have some good food,  
have some fun and support a good cause!

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**  
NOW FEATURING A MODEL CAR SHOW FOR  
THE KIDS  
AND A TOUCH-A-TRUCK!

**HELD AT MOUNT VIEW HIGH SCHOOL  
THORNDIKE, MAINE**

★ CARS ★ TRUCKS ★ MOTORCYCLES ★

9:00 AM - 1:00 Rain Date: May 13th  
Please email [desmondgonzalez11@gmail.com](mailto:desmondgonzalez11@gmail.com) with any  
questions

# **RSU 3 Public Forums**

**Please join the RSU 3 Administration for  
our upcoming Public Forums**

**Tuesday, May 9th  
Community Safety Night  
6:00pm**

**\*Presented in partnership with Waldo County  
Sheriff's Office**

**Wednesday, May 17th  
Facilities Evaluation Report  
6:00pm**

**Wednesday, May 24th  
Public Budget Hearing  
6:30pm**

All public forums will be held at the MV Complex