

# Monroe - Message From the Principal



May 22, 2023



It was so exciting to meet our newest friends when they visited for Kindergarten screening today. It is hard to believe that it is time to greet new students and almost time to say goodbye to our 5th grade friends as they move onto middle school. Tomorrow we will host a visit from the middle school principal, Mrs. Brown, who will spend time talking to the 5th graders about the many fun experiences that await them next year. They will have a chance to ask questions and help alleviate some of their anxieties. I'm sure they have many things they are wondering about. The end of the school year is always a busy and fun time; however, it can also be hard for many students - not just our 5th graders who are moving on. Please check in with your child every day and talk to them about how they are feeling about the end of this school year. Changes in routine - even preparing for summer break - can be difficult and overwhelming. Be sure to focus on the many wonderful things that have happened throughout this school year and the incredible growth they have made, as well as the fact that while change can be a little scary at first, it is also an exciting new chapter to look forward to.

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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Check Out What's Happening at Monroe School: **Week of 5/15**

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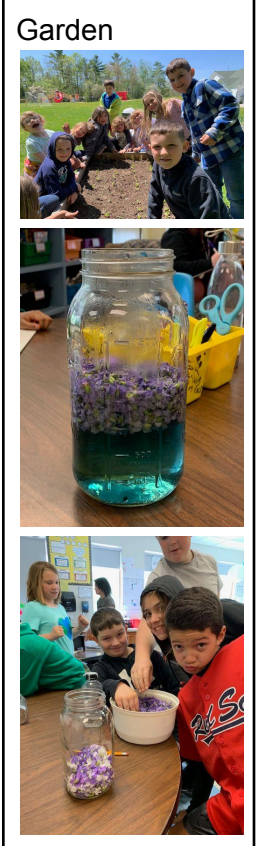
We have been working hard on our end of the year assessments this week. We took some time in between to enjoy our classroom and our school grounds. Our new adventure for the week was a walk to the outdoor classroom and beaver pond. We can't wait to go back!

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First Grade has been Enjoying the ABC countdown this week we have had Flip Flops and favorite Book, Game Day, How to which we wrote about how to make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich (they learned the importance of doing the steps in order and being specific), Inside out Day and everyone's favorite JAMMIE DAY! We took the classroom outside and collected random items from nature and made something new with it. They did some great out-of-the-box thinking.



We wrapped up our ponding unit this week with another fantastic afternoon spent exploring, identifying and drawing. We added several birds, arachnids, and fish to our species list. Some of the frog eggs in our classroom tank have begun to hatch!

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This week  $\frac{4}{5}$  worked on opinion writing, and we are almost done reading Things Not Seen which is getting very exciting! In Math, both grades have been working hard on fractions and hopefully we will have time to do some geometry and measurements before the end of the year. We completed our NWEA testing with the exception of grade 5 science that will be done by the 26th. The fifth grade also completed their last health class. We started a science unit on force and motion with an experiment coming up.



**Students developed their foraging skills this week by searching for, identifying, and harvesting wild violets for making jelly. This spring flower is edible and the jelly is delicious! We also watered our spinach and radish seedlings and finished fencing in our blossoming orchard trees out back. What a beautiful day in our gardens!**

# **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