



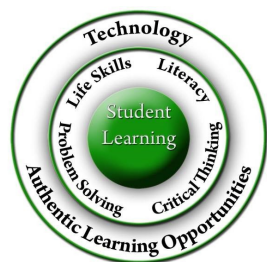
BEAR TRACKS

DECEMBER 3, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

**COVID
VACCINE
CLINIC, part 2**
December 7th

**EARLY
RELEASE**
December 23rd



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A NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

It is finally here...SNOW! The change of weather also brings a change in the clothing expectations for outside fun. Students need to have hats, mittens, boots, ski pants and coats for the playground. We are not lending items out due to COVID protocol. If your child is in need of winter items please let the office know so we can assist them. Students should expect to be outside unless the temperature/wind chill is below 10 degrees. With cold weather we also have the arrival of the common cold and flu. Please remember to do the home screening tool daily. Because COVID and colds have similar symptoms the school will need to follow COVID testing protocols to clear students to come to school. Please do not send your students to school sick. If you are not sure call the office and we can assist you. mkreider@rsu3.org

Once a month you can take a look at what is happening



<p>Gardening Ms. Johnston djohnston@rsu3.org</p> 	<p>Students finished harvesting and weighing vegetables, prepared our raised beds for winter, and planted garlic using seed that we saved from last year's garlic. We protected our orchard trees from winter pests like mice and deer by adding screens to the base of the trunks as well as protective fencing. Our fourth and fifth graders have also been collaborating with Tanglewood 4-H on a 6-week hydroponics project. Thanks to Johnny's Selected Seeds' Plant Happiness Project, students also planted Orange Pride Tulips on our school grounds. Thank you Johnny's!</p>
<p>Art Ms. Locke alocke@rsu3.org</p>	<p>This month in art class was all about color! Students learned everything about the color wheel and how it is useful to artists. We also learned about warm and cool colors. Students put a great amount of effort into their "warm and cool" drawings!</p> 
<p>Title 1 Mrs. Pellerin spellerin@rsu3.org</p>	<p>Students are working on earning a PBIS reward of a Holly Days Celebration on December 23rd. Hoping to have pajama day, crafts, a movie with hot chocolate, Games and activities on the early release day before vacation.</p> 

<p>K/1 Miss Cianchette <i>lcianchette@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>In K/1 we are very excited about the snow! We have had a lot of fun sledding and making snow angels. At recess, kindergarten through third graders combined creative efforts to make a snowman!</p> 
<p>2/3 Mrs. Norgang <i>rnorgang@rsu3.org</i></p>  <p>Flipgrid</p>	 <p>Second and third graders' narrative writing Flipgrid. Students worked hard this trimester to create small moment stories told bit-by-bit, that include dialogue, thinking and feeling. They chose their favorite story to share with their families and school staff.</p>
<p>4/5 Mrs. Trask <i>btrask@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>The 4/5 class made play dough models of the layers of the Earth this week.</p>  
<p>PE Mr. Ballard <i>tballard@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>PE at Monroe is going extremely well - I'm so proud of the progress with all of the classes. They are challenging themselves physically, mentally while being kind, supportive and encouraging each other to be their best. We continue to work on strength conditioning through a variety of exercises and activities. They have all bought into the journey - not who wins, what the score is or that silly stuff. I'm amazed at their energy and commitment to work so hard at home and school. With winter and snow coming, we will be outside sliding, trekking as much as we can - please send the appropriate gear for the children. Send me a email message if they need anything for gear. Your children are amazing and they inspire me everyday to be better and work harder.</p>
<p>Music Mr. Hernandez <i>ahernandez@rsu3.org</i></p> 	<p>Music at Monroe has been going great! at the moment all levels are going over the fundamentals of keeping time. First we went over "beat", the heartbeat of music. Now we are going over "meter," where musical time is organized in bunches of 2, 3, and 4. The next few weeks we will be learning some Christmas songs and activities!</p>