

October 7, 2022

Dear SAU 90 Staff and Families,

This week on October 5, we recognize World Teacher Day! Do you remember your favorite teacher, someone who went above and beyond to encourage you because they could see your potential? The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) launched World Teacher Day in 1994 for this reason! Now, more than ever, we must recognize the importance of this profession. On World Teacher Day, we celebrate the work of dedicated teachers around the district, state, and world who continue to strive every day to ensure that all children receive a quality education. Thank you, teachers, for your work and service! We are grateful and appreciative of the work that you do every day!

At this time of the year, classrooms are establishing routines and procedures that will pave the way to a successful year of learning. During my visits this week, students were discussing their hopes and dreams as they thoughtfully considered their learning goals for the school year. Marston and Centre School students begin their day with a morning meeting. Morning meetings become times where students learn about one another, establish connections, and build a strong sense of community. The four components of Morning Meeting include a greeting, sharing, a group activity, and a morning message. This sets the tone for the day!

Also, during the fall months, there is a purposeful and targeted focus on student safety. Students have the opportunity to practice different types of drills including bus evacuation and school evacuations. These safety drills are required by the state and ensure our preparedness to respond appropriately to unexpected situations. Our Student Resources Officers continue to help oversee these events. Additionally, they continue to monitor our school during arrival, dismissal, recess and lunch times, and in hallways. They are an invaluable resource and member of our community.

Next week, Centre School students will have the opportunity to travel to the fire station in celebration of Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme is *Fire won't wait. Plan your escape!* Students will be reminded about the importance of knowing how to safely exit their home in the event of a fire. This is good time to have a conversation about a family plan and to be sure your child knows where your meeting spot is. Also, please remember to check your home fire alarms, their batteries, and their shelf-life. Fire alarms should be replaced every ten years!

On October 20, 2022 at 7 PM in the Hampton Academy Auditorium, the SAU 90 Suicide Prevention Team will be hosting the Connor's Climb Foundation. They will provide an in-person parent and community member-based training at Hampton Academy, SOS Signs of Suicide - Training Trusted Adults for Parents and Community Members. This is an informative session with presenters from Connor's Climb Foundation, as well as the SAU 90 Suicide Prevention Team members, made up of the district School Counselors, School Psychologists and Social Worker, who will be available for questions and discussion. Suicide prevention looks different at all three schools in our district; after the Connor's Climb Training, the SAU 90 Suicide Prevention Team will discuss how this looks in each building. Please plan to join us!

I am attaching a copy of the Technical Advisory from the New Hampshire Department of Education regarding cold and flu season. We hope that you find this information helpful as we continue to ensure the health and safety of everyone. Finally, please consider participating in Rett's Roost SUPERHERO 5K in support of courageous children with cancer and their brave families on October 22 in Ogunquit.

We wish you all a wonderful long fall weekend ahead!

Warmly,
Dr. Lois B. Costa
Superintendent of SAU 90

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