

Viola Rand and Alton Elementary Schools

February 17, 2020 Report for the RSU34 School Board

After School Cooking Club

RSU34 Food Service chef, Josh Heikkinen, has been offering a four week cooking club for VRS first grade students. The equipment and utensils were purchased with Title IV funds last summer, enabling the students to learn about nutrition and the science of how ingredients change and impact the product. Students have had a lot of fun in the process of creating food to try. This past Thursday, students made butter and butter milk from heavy cream. Pretty fascinating to watch that process!

Chewonki visits AES

On Friday, January 31, Alton students were treated to a visit by a number of owls. They saw that Eastern Screech Owls are very small birds. Two of the owls, a Barred Owl and a Great Horned Owl, are at Chewonki because they are unable to fly. Students spent all week learning about these unique creatures! Students now know about owls' wings, talons, eyes, ears, necks (which have twice as many bones as a human's) and all the different things they eat. One owl has been at Chewonki for 25 years!

100th Day

The 100th day of school was on Thursday, February 13th. VRS students collected 100 boxes of mac 'n cheese to donate to the RSU34 Resource Center. For fun, everyone was challenged to dress like they were 100 years old. Mrs. Gifford took the prize this time!



Enrollments

	<u>VRS</u>	<u>AES</u>
Pre-k	32	15
K	20	15
1st	8	2
2nd		6
3rd		11
4th		6
Total	60	55

Events

February 25

CogAt achievement test for 3rd grade students

February 27

Last after school cooking club at VRS

February 29

AES Family Dance 5:00-7:00PM

March 2-6

Dr. Seuss/Read Across America week

March 6

Second Trimester Ends

March 7

AES Field Trip Hirundo 10:00-2:00

March 9

Ice Skating at Alford Arena AES and VRS 3:30-4:30

March 13

Trimester 2 Report cards go home

March 18

EmPower ME testing begins at AES for 3rd & 4th grade students