PAWS News

June 9, 2023 Respect, Responsibility, Community, & Pride

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With the last day of school just two short weeks away, I wanted to take a moment to highlight some of the activities and celebrations that will occur prior to the end of school.

The 8th Grade Dance will take place today, Friday, June 9th, from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Parents must drop off students in the back of the Hilltop/playground entrance starting at 6:00 pm. Pick up is in front of MVMS promptly at 8:00 pm. As a gentle reminder, the recognition dance is not a formal event. Students are encouraged to dress comfortably. In the past, most students chose to wear khaki style shorts, polo shirts, short-sleeve button up shirts (with or without a tie), skirts or sun dresses. **Students must be in attendance on June 9th to attend the dance. Students may not be dismissed prior to 2:00.**

On June 15th, we will continue to celebrate our 8th grade class by hosting the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony at St. Anselm Sullivan Arena, beginning at 2:00pm. Thursday, June 15th will be a remote learning day for all 8th grade students. Students will be encouraged to attend a Microsoft Teams meeting with their team teachers beginning at 9:00. This meeting will include reminders about the promotional ceremony and a fun, virtual team activity. Students must arrive at the Sullivan Arena at **1:15** (and assemble in the hallway under the bleachers.) Seating is first come, first serve, please do not save seats. At the end of the ceremony, students will meet guests at their seats. We ask that all guests leave the property soon after the completion of our ceremony to allow for the preparation of GHS (Goffstown High School) Graduation occurring later that evening.

In addition to the 8th Grade Dance and Promotion, we will also be hosting our annual Field Day on Wednesday, June 14th, where all students, in each grade, will be able to engage in a variety of activities and many outdoor backyard games. Please send your student to school with a water bottle, sneakers, sunscreen, and bug spray, as they will be outside for most of the day.

As this is the last edition of the Paws News for the 2022-2023 school year, I want to take a moment to share how fortunate I have been to be the Principal of Mountain View Middle School this year. It has been a privilege to get to know you and your students. For those of you returning to us next year, I look forward to another year of working together to make MVMS one of the best middle schools in the state of New Hampshire. For those of you moving on to GHS, I wish you and our 8th graders the best of luck as they move to the next phase of their education. Have a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,

Jessica Milligan, Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
June 9	*Field Trip: 7-3 Camp Lincoln
	*Nature's Classroom: 5-2
	*8 th Grade Promotion Dance
	*Last Day for the Late Bus
June 14	Paws Pride Day/Field Day
June 15	8 th Grade Promotion @ St. Anslem College
	- Students are participating in a remote learning day in
	the AM.
	- Student Drop off: 1:15
	- Ceremony begins: 2:00
June 16	*Step-Up Day
	*MVMS & NBCS Unite!
June 20	Last Day/Early Release

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

Mrs. Jessica Milligan	Principal
Ms. Brandy Williams	Assistant Principal
Mr. Lyle Hamel	Curriculum Coordinator
Ms. Kim Rivers	Special Education Facilitator
Mr. Josh Lewis	Dean of Students

NH Department of Education Camp Scholarships

The New Hampshire Department of Education is offering camp scholarships. Please <u>click here</u> for more information.

Robotics and STEM Enrichment Activity at MVMS

We are excited to share that SAU #19 is offering a one-week intensive enrichment opportunity focused on Robotics and STEM related activities at Mountain View Middle School during the week of 6/26-6/29 from 8 AM to 3 PM. These two programs will run separately, but in tandem, so that each cohort of students are able to spend two days in each activity. The two cohorts will be broken up accordingly: **Incoming 5th graders to MVMS (those students currently at Maple and Bartlett), as well as our current students at MVMS who are in 5th grade and will be entering 6th grade in the fall will be one cohort. The second cohort will consist of those MVMS students who will be seventh and eighth graders at MVMS in the fall, including those students at NBCS.** These free enrichment programs will help support the grade level and school level transition for interested students by providing a purposeful and enriching activity while also offering students a familiarity with the building and some of MVMS's teaching staff. If you have more than one child who is in either cohort, please complete two separate forms. Registration is open through Friday, June 2nd.

If you have any questions related to the specifics of these programs, please contact either Derek Davis (<u>derek.davis@sau19.org</u>) or Mike Lee (<u>Michael.Lee@SAU19.ORG</u>).



MVMS Summer Reading Initiative 2023

We have refreshed summer reading for the Summer of 2023! There are two adventures that students may choose to participate in. The first adventure is a calendar of activities to choose from; and the second adventure is the kickoff to a yearlong reading challenge for the NH Book Award Nominations. <u>Click here to learn more about the 2023 Summer Reading Initiative</u>. There are also links on the <u>MVMS Website</u> to make a copy of the choice board calendar and join the reading programs. We hope you will choose to participate in the 2023 MVMS Summer Reading Initiative.

Please reach out to our school librarian, Amy O'Riley (<u>amy.oriley@sau19.org</u>) or 7th/8th grade Literacy Teacher, Sarah-jane Nadeau (<u>sarah-jane.nadeau@sau19.org</u>) with any questions.

Nurse Update: Attention 6th Grade Parents

The State of NH requires all students entering 7th grade to receive the **Tdap** vaccine (Tetanus and Pertussis) prior to the start of 7th grade. Most children receive this vaccine between ages 10-12. Many current 6th graders are still missing documentation of this vaccine. If your child received this vaccine, we ask that you send in a copy of their immunization record prior to the end of the school year. If your student has not had the Tdap vaccine, please make arrangements with your child's health care provider for him/ her to receive this vaccine before the start of school in September and submit a copy of your student's vaccine record to the MVMS nurses once completed. Feel free to contact the MVMS Health Office with any questions or concerns. Thank you,

Sara Matatall RN & Susan Potvin RN 660-5623 <u>Sara.matatall@sau19.org</u> <u>Susan.potvin@sau19.org</u>

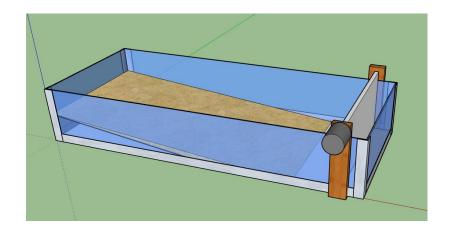
Nature's Classroom

This week Grade 5 is participating in an onsite field trip with Nature's Classroom. During Nature's Classroom, students and staff engage in a full day of team-building, wilderness training, camouflaging, and orienteering activities across the many diverse outdoor spaces at MVMS, including the fields, trails, and stream.



Water Wave Table

Stephen Hale is the Project Director of UNH Leitzel Center for Mathematics, Science, and Engineering Education. Mr. Lee has been fortunate enough to be able to work at UNH for the past 4 summers doing a program called RETE (Research Experience for Teachers of Engineering) He has learned quite a bit of new technologies and has applied some of what he have learned through posters and new projects integrated in the classroom. The newest project, he has been focused on is seacoast erosion and preventatives. As a model for students to be able to see these affects and test the different types of preventatives, UNH has graciously donated us \$1250 dollars towards a giant Fish tank. Mr. Lee will be building a custom wave creator on one side of the tank and have an inclined plane leading up to a beach on the other side of the tank. The waves will erode the beach and students will create different types of preventatives to see how they hold up to the continuous barrage of waves.



Information Center

The information Center will be closed after school for the reminder of the year.

SUMMER MUSIC LESSONS AND VOCAL ENSEMBLE

Dear Students and Parents,

We are excited to announce a great opportunity for our incoming 5th through 8th grade music students at MVMS this summer. **This program is provided to the community for free through a grant for all experience levels from beginners to advanced.** Below you will find the schedule information and we hope your student is able to participate. This is an optional extension of your student's music instruction they receive during the school year. Lessons are weekly and if your student needs to miss a week due to a conflict, please notify the teacher ahead of time.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Mr. Saunders at <u>david.saunders@sau19.org</u> or Mr. Mancuso at <u>christopher.mancuso@sau19.org</u>

All programs will run for six weeks from July 10 to August 18 2023.

Instrumental Group or Individual Lessons

Instrumental students have the opportunity to participate in either group lessons (1 hour) or individual lessons (30 minutes). These lessons will be scheduled between 12-6pm on either Tuesday or Thursday. The type of lesson a student receives will be based on enrollment and individual or group lessons cannot be guaranteed.

Summer Vocal Ensemble

Vocal Students have the opportunity to participate in the Summer Vocal Ensemble that will meet from 6:00-7:00 pm on Thursdays. This group is open to all incoming 5th through 8th grade students and will focus on healthy singing and a variety of popular singing styles. Students will participate in selecting music to perform. The Vocal ensemble will have a performance of works on Thursday, August 17th @ 7:00 pm at MVMS.

Please fill out the online form by June 19th at: https://forms.office.com/r/aXTgh2VHbr

Please select all time slots that could work for you so we are able to schedule as many students as possible. Confirmation email will be sent upon receipt and lesson time assignments and health forms will be emailed out on June 21, 2023.



Reporting an Absence

Parents and guardians should call (603) 497-8288, when prompted press 2 to report a student absence. Parents and guardians should be prepared to record their name, their student's name, and the name of their student's teacher(s). A note from a parents and guardians should be presented to the homeroom teacher upon return to school.

Food Service Updates: Starting, Tuesday, May 23, 2023

We're excited to inform you that our meal payments portal, TITAN Family Portal, has been upgraded to LINQ Connect. There's no need to change your username and password. All your information will be transferred to the new app.

Here are some exciting upgrades to enjoy:

- A simple, fresh look to allow for better accessibility
- An interactive dashboard to view all family members in one profile
- A resource center to access help guides
- Streamlined menus help you see more with fewer clicks

The website address is www.lingconnect.com

Visit your app store and find "LINQ Connect" available in the Google Play Store now and the Apple store available soon to download the new app and enjoy these new features. Just log in with your existing username and password. If you use a browser, visit LINQConnect.com to log in.

If you don't use our portal to make online meal payments, you can set up a free account to view previous transactions, set spending limits, transfer funds between students, set low-balance notifications and more. It's an easy way to manage your child's meal account.

Also, if your student is changing schools within the district and has money on the account, the money will move with him/her. If you need a refund as your student is leaving the district and your child's account has \$10 or more left, please click on this link <u>https://tinyurl.com/en9cyvzd</u> to complete the form. It can take 2-3 weeks for a check to arrive. If your child owes money for meals, please pay this debt as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact your school's cafeteria. Thank you for all of your support this year! The Food Service Team.

Thank you, Megan Bizzarro Food Service Director Goffstown/New Boston School Districts

Update from the Nurses: Seasonal Allergies

Allergy season is fast approaching. If your child suffers from seasonal allergies, please make sure they are taking their allergy medication daily, at home. The MVMS Health Office does not supply seasonal allergy medication to students. Please contact us with any questions.

Thank you, Sara Matatall RN <u>Sara.matatall@sau19.org</u> 660-5623

Susan Potvin RN susan.potvin@sau19.org 660-5615

Paraprofessional Job Opportunity

MVMS is seeking paraprofessionals for this school year and next school year. The job predominantly consists of supporting small groups of students or individual students in Grades 5 through 8 throughout their day. If interested, please contact our main office at 603-497-8288 or apply through our <u>district employment</u> <u>opportunities</u>.

Emergency Release

The Goffstown School District uses a district wide notification system called School Messenger. This system allows more effective communication with parents should an emergency issue arise. This includes school cancelations, delays or early dismissals due to poor weather or building emergencies such as loss of heat, water pressure or electricity. Every means of communication will be used to notify parents and guardians. In addition to School Messenger, any school closing or delay because of weather conditions will continue to be announced on WMUR-TV, Channel 9, as well as over the radio station 95.7 FM WZID before 7:00 a.m. Please refrain from calling the school. Parents should have an emergency plan in place with their student for the rare occasion they may need to be sent home early.

School Counselors

If at any point during the year, you feel the need to consult with a counselor for advice for you or your student, please contact one of the following:

Erin Sakolosky	Grade 5	Erin.Sakolosky@sau19.org
Jessica Jordan	Grade 6	Jessica.Jordan@sau19.org
Rachel Nault	Grade 7	Rachel.Nault@sau19.org
Ryanne Roy	Grade 8	Ryanne.Roy@sau19.org

MVP Corner

The Mountain View Partnership is your MVMS parent teacher organization. To become a supporting member, click the link below. You will be given an option to join the MVP Student Directory and will receive a copy in return. The link is <u>https://my.cheddarup.com/c/mvp-membership</u>. You will also be enrolled to receive emails on current fundraisers and events sponsored by MVP!

MVP meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Information Center/Library. Everyone is welcome, and we'd love to have your input; it truly takes a village! To stay informed on our upcoming events and fundraisers you may also join our Facebook Group at https://www.facebook.com/mountainviewpartnership



2023 Tri-Town Youth Soccer League Fall registration opens May 1st, 2023!

Please visit our website for more information: www.tritownsoccer.com

Tri-Town Youth Soccer League is an initiative of Goffstown, Dunbarton, and New Boston to provide residents communitybased recreational soccer.

Discounts (1 per household) will be provided to head (\$20) and assistant coach (\$10) volunteers.

Sign up now before late fees begin July 17th (\$10 per registrant) Registration closes August 1st, 2023

Accepting registrants in the following age groups (see website for DOB ranges):



U6 U8 U10 U12 U14 U19



In March, Goffstown, NH neighborhoods received neo-Nazi propaganda in their driveways. Because of that incident, the Goffstown Public Library has developed "One Goffstown", a series of discussions for teens and adults with the goal of encouraging communication and becoming a more welcoming, accepting community for everyone.

Five different sessions will be held online in June, July, and August, all on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and open to the public. The Human Library event on Sunday, August 13 will be held in person.

• June 8 – What are Hate Crimes and Hate Speech? With Chief Eric Sereno, Goffstown Police Department; Tim DeMann, FBI; Seth Aframe, US Attorney's Office; and Sean Locke, NH Attorney General's Office

• June 29 – What is Implicit Bias? With James McKim, Organizational Ignition

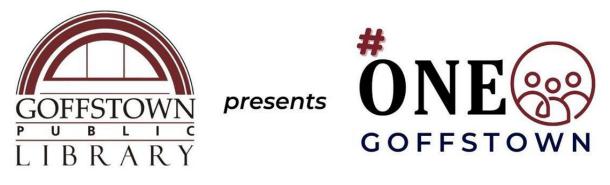
• July 13 – What is Bullying? With Dr. Kate Murphy, Plymouth State University

• July 20 - How to Be an Ally. With James McKim, Organizational Ignition

• August 10 – **How to Have Difficult Conversations.** With Dr. Kate Murphy, Plymouth State University

• Sunday, August 13 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. - Human Library at the Library

Registration is required at https://bit.ly/OneGtown23 for participants to receive a link to the discussions. Show your support, and your attitude of unity, when you share One Goffstown on social media, along with the hashtag #OneGoffstown. For more information, please visit www.goffstownlibrary.com/one-goffstown/



TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY

For details & more events, classes, and programs, visit www.goffstownlibrary.com/calendar or call the library at 603-497-2102. Library Hours: Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m., Saturdays 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

All girls and boys born between 2010 and 2016, regardless of residency, experience or skill level, are invited to participate in our tryouts.

3 Fall Soccer Tryouts

Our tryouts will take place at Lion's Field in Goffstown, NH, and will be led by training staff from Brazilian Arts. Evaluations will be made by Goffstown United's licensed coaching staff.

> For more information or to register. Please visit our website: www.gusc.soccer Or On Facebook

June 2023 5th - 8th











Goffstown Screamin' Eagles

All skill levels welcome Ages 5-16 as of 7/31/23

Cheer

5 local competitons Potential for Regional, National and Global Competitions

\$210 registration includes competition shoes Additional items needed;

\$15 Bloomers
\$40 practice shoes



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First day of practice is August 1st Email gsecheer@gmail.com with questions!

Are you ready to be one of us?