



# Mettawee Messenger

June 10, 2021 Principal: Brooke DeBonis 645-9009

## Principal's Corner:

### Last Day of School Expectations

We will be starting at our normal time and we will be dismissing our students at 12:30. We will be collecting the chromebooks and library books. If you have any books, computers, chargers, or computer bags please send the materials in with your child. If you are a distance learning family please drop them off on Friday or Monday. Our students will be able to listen to an amazing storyteller, Odds Bodkin, as we all gather under the tent for our last day together. We will also be giving each student a few fun things to enjoy over the summer. I hope you all have a relaxing and fun summer together.

### Thank you!

I wanted to thank all of you for your patience and understanding during this past school year. It has been a challenging year in many ways. Thank you for your teamwork as we navigated educating your child through a pandemic. I appreciate all your kind words, support, and belief in our school. I am looking forward to having your child at Mettawee for in person instruction five days a week in the fall.

### TEACHER PLACEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

Grade	Teacher
Preschool	Cill Waterhouse
K	Lauren Kelly
1	Steph Pierce
2	Ross Harmon
3	Dawn Baker

3/4	New Teacher
4	Dawn Robertson
5	Mandy Thomas
5	Heather McGann
6	Patty Lea

### Mettawee Staff Update

I would like to wish Jean Pritchard and Mark Rampone a happy and healthy retirement. Jean and Mark have worked over 20 years in our school and I would like to thank them for their dedication to our community. Our librarian and technology leader, Kelly Alhfeld will be leaving Mettawee but, I am excited to announce that Kelly is now the Director of Educational Technology for all the schools in the BRSU. We will be able to continue to work with Kelly as she moves into this new role. Elizabeth Warnecke will be moving from Mettawee to Manchester Elementary and Middle School as an interventionist. I would like to wish all of these incredible teachers love, luck, and happiness.

Lauren Kelly is transitioning back into the kindergarten classroom from being our literacy specialist. We have hired Heather McGann as our new fifth grade teacher. In addition, we have hired Amanda Bickford as our new librarian and media specialist. We are now going to hire a new third and fourth grade multi-age teacher and a literacy specialist. I will communicate with all of you once we have hired the new teachers.



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## Graduation

The 6th grade Graduation Ceremony will be tonight, June 10th, under a tent on the soccer field at 6:30. Masks will be recommended. Dress appropriately for an outdoor event. We can't wait to celebrate with you.

# 2021 *Class of*

## Summer Food Resources

Here is a link to food resources if you find yourself in need at any time during the Summer months.  
[food resource link](#)

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Good Luck!

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## Last Day of School for K-6



The last day of school for K-6 is Friday, June 11th with a 12:30 dismissal.



Thank you to everyone who donated to Mrs. Warnecke's refugee project.







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Thank you Mrs. Jennings for taking the plunge into the dunk tank over and over again!

Mr. Rampone also took his turn as did Mrs. Lund and Ms. Pierce. It was a great day for a refreshing dip!



Thank you to the Pawlet and West Pawlet Fire Departments for coming to teach our kids about fire safety, their equipment and for the spray down!

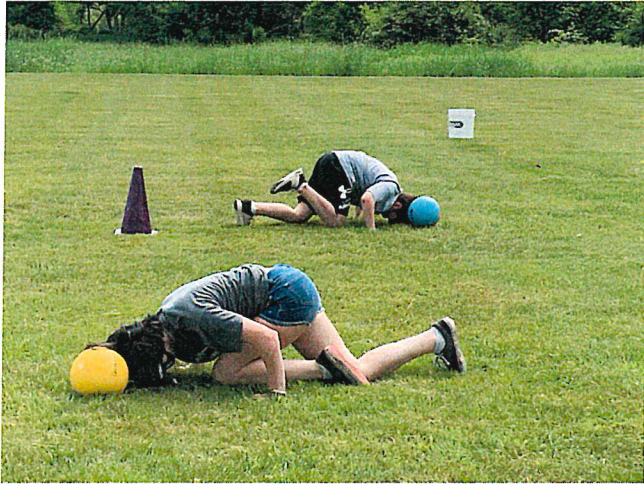






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We ended our Field Day with a visit from the  
ICE CREAM TRUCK!



Thank you so much to all the teachers,  
staff, and students for a wonderful 2021  
Field Day!



## Summer Program Information

June 10, 2021

Dear Families,

I am writing you this letter to set clear expectations for our summer program. We are looking forward to having a fun and engaging summer with your child. We are planning to teach lessons that will have hands-on learning opportunities, we will be traveling on a field trip each week, and we will be serving free breakfast and lunch to all students. Our summer school program starts promptly at 8:00 and ends at 3:00. ***We need your commitment in making sure that your child is picked up on time.***

It is important that all students are being respectful, kind, and cooperative. It is a privilege to attend the summer school program. If your child needs reminders, is not following directions, refuses to participate in the activities, or is being unkind, they will be asked to leave the summer program. Tim Oliver will be overseeing the BRSU summer programs and is the point person for the coordinators. He will be overseeing the behavior concerns and will communicate with you if there are concerns with your child's behavior. Our summer program coordinators will change throughout the summer. Amy Harris will be the coordinator for Art and Nature camp, Ross Harmon will be the coordinator for Dinosaur week, and Necole Zemp will be the coordinator for the Sports and Water weeks. We will not have a school nurse present during our summer program but, we will always have a staff member at school who is trained in CPR and First Aid.

I am looking forward to offering the summer program so our students have the opportunity to learn, socialize, and participate in many enriching activities. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Brooke DeBonis  
Principal