



Mettawee Messenger

April 7, 2022 Principal: Brooke DeBonis 645-9009

Principal's Corner:

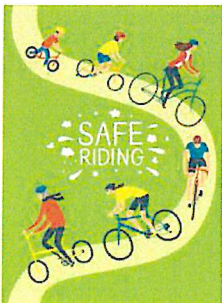
ELA SBAC Test for Grades 3-6

Please be sure your child is in school next week, April 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th, so they can take the SBAC test on the same day and time as their class. If children are not in school, we will need to have them make it up on another day and time. If children are not feeling well, please do not send them to school.

Thanks for partnering with us so we can make sure the assessments are completed by the beginning of May.



Bikes are coming to Mettawee



We are excited to share that we will be hosting the Kohl's Kids Bike Smart trailer again this year! Our students in K-6 will be able to learn bike safety and will have the opportunity to ride bikes during their PE class the

week of May 23rd - May 27th.

Mrs. Webb and Mrs. Chalmers are working together to get things organized for our school. There will be bikes and helmets available for all of our students. If you would like your child to bring in their own helmet that is completely fine. It would be helpful to have the helmets labeled so we can keep track of them. There will be more information that we will share with you after break.

Garden Mural at the Pawlet Public Library



Mettawee Second Graders have created a garden mural to go on display at the Pawlet Public Library. The mural was created to help celebrate the new Seed Library!

On Saturday, April 9, from 11am - 1pm the Library will launch the Seed Library with a special event including activities for children and refreshments.

For more information about the seed library contact pawletpub@gmail.com or visit <https://pawletpubliclibrary.wordpress.com/>

We are happy to be invited to display artwork at the Library and help celebrate the new Seed Library!

Amy Harris, Art Teacher



The 2022-2023 School Calendar is out!



Please check those backpacks for the 2022-2023 school calendar in your Big Blue Folder.



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IT'S A LUAU DANCE PARTY!

April 29th from 6:30-8:30

K-6th Grade

Cost: \$1 per person or \$3 per family.

Parents will be required to stay at the dance with their children.



Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week May 2nd - 6th



Be brainstorming some ideas for showing our Mettawee staff and bus drivers some kindness and support.

More information will be sent home next week.



April 18th - April 22nd

Kindergarten Registration

Calling all future kindergarteners!

Mark your calendars - Kindergarten Registration for the 2022-2023 school year will be May 20th.

More information will be coming home soon.

There will be NO KINDERGARTEN that day for current kindergarten students.

KINDERGARTEN



REGISTRATION IS COMING!

Proper Clothing Reminder

Please be sure that your children come to school prepared for outdoor adventures in the meadows, in the woods, and on the playground.

Sometimes it's cold, sometimes it's muddy, sometimes it's wet.

Kids should have boots, coats, and comfortable

clothing. **On that note:** time to do a tick check at the end of every day!





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Summer Camps

Summer Camp flyers are rolling in! To keep things organized and the Messenger packet



a reasonable size, we will begin sending Summer Camp flyers in a separate email called "Summer Camps", that way you will have all summer options in one place to cross reference dates and times. New flyers will be in the front followed by flyers from previous weeks.

SAVE THE DATE

April 12th - Four Winds Meeting

April 18th - April 22nd - Spring Break

April 29th - PTO Luau Dance 6:30-8:30

May 3rd - Staff Appreciation Breakfast

May 3rd - May 4th - Science SBAC for 5th Grade

May 6th - Kindergarten Registration

May 9th - PTO Meeting 2:45

May 11th - NO SCHOOL - Teacher in service

May 20th - Kindergarten Registration

Unicorn Week was a blast!



Thank you Mrs. Bickford for your enthusiasm and for sharing the history, folklore, and mystery behind the magical unicorn.



Mrs. Chalmers even got in on the unicorn fun reading *Invasion of the Unicorn* by David Biedrzycki to 2nd grade.

National Unicorn Day - May 9th

Bennington-Rutland Supervisory Union

2022-2023 School Calendar

For the schools of:

*Currier Memorial, The Dorset School, Flood Brook School, Manchester Elementary Middle School,
Mettawee Community School, and Sunderland Elementary School*

6	August 2022						1
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30	31				

8/25-30 - Prof. Dev. #1-4 (no school)
8/31 - First Day of School

21	September 2022						21
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30		

9/5 - Labor Day (no school)
9/6 - PreK first day

20	October 2022						18
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
30	31						

10/7 - Prof. Dev. #5 (no school)
10/10 - Indigenous Peoples' Day (no school)
10/28 - Student Led Conf. (no school)

18	November 2022						18
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30				

11/11 - Veterans Day (no school)
11/23-25 Thanksgiving Recess

15	December 2022						15
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

12/21 - Early Release
12/22-12/30 - Holiday Recess (no school)

20	January 2023						19
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30	31					

1/2 - New Years Day Observed (no school)
1/3 - Prof. Dev. #6 (no school)
1/16 - MLK, Jr. Day (no school)

15	February 2023						14
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28					

2/17 - Student Led Conf. (no school)
2/20-2/24 - Winter Recess (no school)

23	March 2023						22
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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26	27	28	29	30	31		

3/17 - Prof. Dev. #7 (no school)

15	April 2023						15
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29	

4/17-4/21 - Spring Recess (no school)


22	May 2023						22
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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5/29 - Memorial Day (no school)

10	June 2023						10
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	
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6/14 - 175th day of school * (early release)
6/21 - Last day (early release) (includes 5 emergency closure days)

Trimester	End Date	Rpt Home
1	11/30/22	12/9/22
2	3/10/23	3/24/23
3	6/9/23	Last Day

 emergency closure make up days

* TENTATIVE - Emergency closure (snow days) could delay the last day of school.

JISP Days (Jan. - Mar.)	
Currier	Thursday - Dismissal 11:45
Dorset	Tuesday - Dismissal 12:00
Flood Brook	Tuesday - Dismissal 12:00
Manchester	Thursday - Dismissal 12:15
Mettawee	Friday - Dismissal 11:40
Sunderland	Wednesday - Dismissal 12:00

UPCOMING EVENTS IN APRIL



Spring Awakening: Vernal Pool & Spring Phenology

Saturday, April 9, 1pm-3pm

Come along with us as we investigate the arrival of spring in the water and woods at Merck Forest. We'll learn about, explore, and use some different methods of documenting spring flora and fauna during this interactive program. Open to naturalists of any age. Register online.

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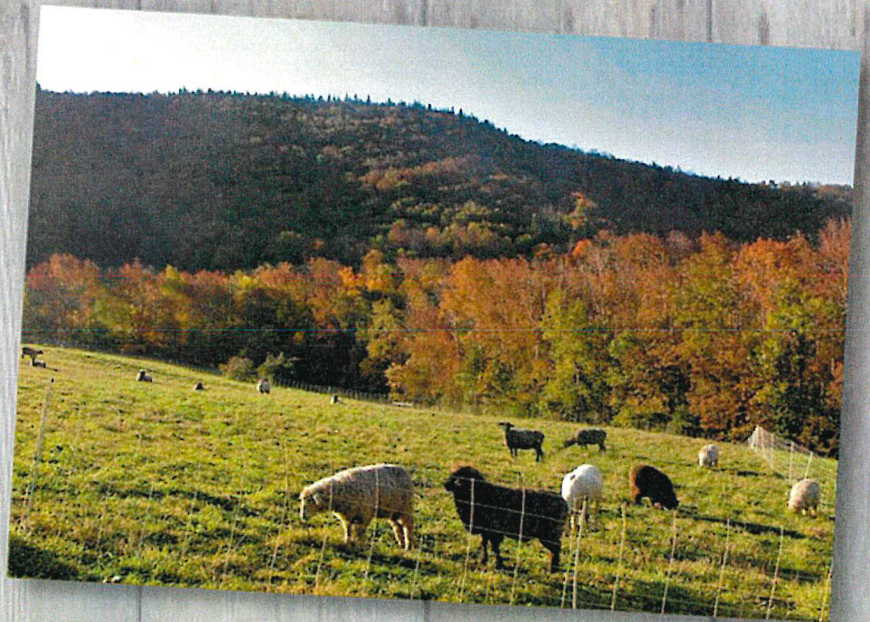


Earth Day Kid's Workshop

Saturday, April 23, 10am-noon

April is sheep shearing season at Merck Forest, and in the spirit of Earth Day we'll be using sheep's wool to create blue and green felted Earth balls in this hands-on crafty program for families with children (one adult must accompany each family group). Register online.

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merckforest.org

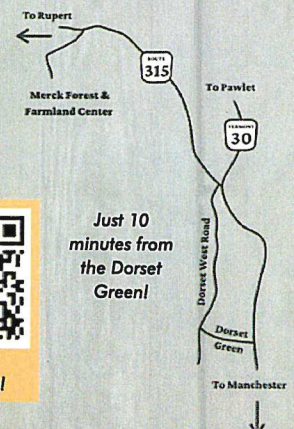
Directions

Located in Southern VT
off Route 315

- 1 1/2 hours from Vergennes, VT
- 60 minutes from Saratoga Springs, NY
- 20 minutes from Manchester, VT



Scan me
for a map!



AFTER-SCHOOL FIBER ARTS

Fiber Studio for Kids - Starts April 28

Join us! Six Thursdays, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Ceared for ages 8+

\$120 SVAC Members or \$150 Non-Members

Scholarships available

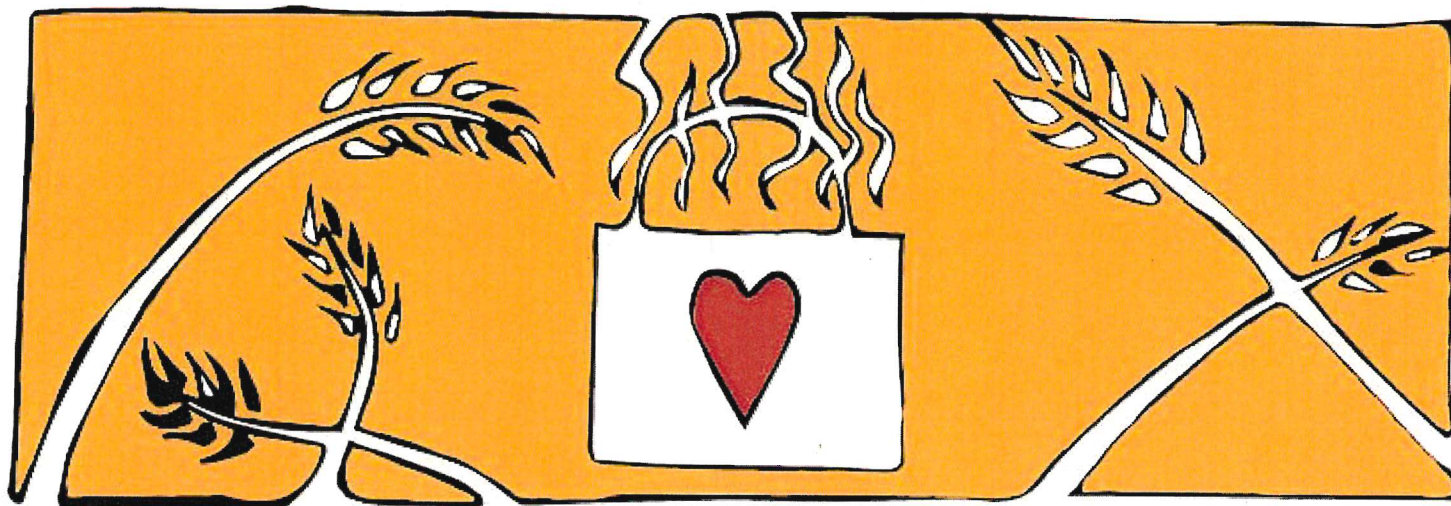
Explore sewing, weaving, soft sculpture, feltmaking and other fiber- and textile-related art processes. We will work with a variety of different tools and materials, and students will have time to design and execute their own projects with the guidance of the teacher.

Instructor Andrea Myklebust is a textile artist. Learn more here: www.myklebustsears.com



Questions? Ready to register?

Please go to www.svac.org, or contact Erin at SVAC: 802.367.1306, ekaufman@svac.org



EVERYONE EATS !

FREE MEALS FOR ANYONE WHO HAS BEEN NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19

Wednesday 4/13

COMMUNITY FOOD CUPBOARD

Pick up meals 2 - 4 PM

40 Jeff Williams Way, Manchester Center

Meals provided by Cold Cow Creamery,
Moonwink & The Silver Fork

Thursday 4/14

COMMUNITY FOOD CUPBOARD

Pick up meals 10 AM - 12 PM & 2 - 4 PM

40 Jeff Williams Way, Manchester Center

Meals provided by The Works Café
& New Morning Natural Foods

ADDITIONAL FOOD RESOURCES:

For Bennington
Everyone Eats meal
delivery, contact:
Becky Arbella,
Shires Housing
(802) 442-8139 x3



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