



Mettawee Messenger

September 22, 2022 Principal: Brooke DeBonis 645-9009

Principal's Corner:

Informational Calls from Mettawee

We have a system called School Messenger that we will use to make announcements for snow delays, snow closings, sporting events, and transportation updates. I want to be sure all of our families are receiving these calls and emails. Please call the school if you did not receive the phone call or email this afternoon. We will be using this system to give out reminders for soccer, basketball, our school events, and bus changes. It is critical that you are on our list so you are informed about our school delays and closings this winter. If your number has changed since we started school please call and let us know so we can update our student information system. If you do not have an email address, I highly recommend creating a free google email account. I would be willing to meet with you to set up the email account so you are able to receive the important messages from our school.



Bus Drivers

Unfortunately, due to difficulty in hiring (which all of us are experiencing), it may become necessary at some point to cancel a bus route. If a driver is out sick, there is simply no one to drive that bus (the transportation and grounds directors are already driving daily routes!) I

hope that this does not happen, but thought it would be better to warn you in advance of the possibility. I would like to promise you advance notice, but we all know that sickness does not come at convenient times. Please think about alternate plans for your children's transportation in the event that we need to cancel a bus route one day. We will, of course, give you as much advance notice as possible, but it may be the morning of. Thank you in advance for your cooperation, and I hope it does not happen!



Books and Beyond Program Review



Greetings Community of Readers,
We will be reviewing our Books and Beyond (school-wide reading incentive program) at our **September 27, 2022**, Faculty Meeting from 3:30-4:30pm in the Mettawee library and are looking for a parent/guardian or two to inform the process. Please email Mrs. Donaldson (kdonaldson@brsu.org) if you would like to join this discussion.



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Soccer Update:

Yay! We have a 1st Grade coach. Thank you to Kim Donaldson and her student helpers, Emma, Jack and Margaret for stepping up to coach this year! Here is the information:

First Grade - Fridays 2:30-3:30

Coaches: Kim Donaldson with student helpers, Emma Graf, Jack Metcalf and Margaret Donaldson

First practice: Friday, September 23rd

Last practice: Friday, October 21st

If you have any questions please reach out to Athletic Director/PE teacher Janna Webb,
jwebb@brsu.org

We are looking for a ref for our home soccer games. It is a paid position. Please reach out to Janna Webb if you, or someone you know, can help out.



If you have any extra cleats or shin guards laying around at home please consider bringing them in for others who are in need. Thanks!



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ORDERS ARE DUE
SEPTEMBER 30TH!

*** PLEASE MAKE CHECKS**
PAYABLE TO THE
METTAWEE SCHOOL DISTRICT

JISP sign up time already!

Bromley Mountain JISP information is following your Mettawee Messenger. A \$50 late fee will be applied to any registration completed after October 31, 2022.



Registration closes

November 30, 2022.

Riley Rink ice skating program information should be ready for next week's newsletter.

For those of you new to Mettawee, JISP is the Junior Instructional Ski or Skate Program. For Mettawee school, we dismiss Friday afternoon at 11:40 starting January 13th through March 10th. Our students have the opportunity to ski, skate, go home, or sometimes a variety of other options pop up in the community. JISP is NOT a school sponsored program. You can go directly to the Bromley or Riley Rink website for more information.

Library Volunteer Needed

Do you have an hour once a month? The library is looking for someone who could come in and cover books. Please reach out to Amanda Bickford if you think you can help,

abickford@brsu.org





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Food Services Reminder

Food Services would like to remind families that they are participating in the "Fill the Form" campaign and there is still time to fill out the free and reduced lunch application. They will be raffling off a nintendo switch and a pair of Fly ANC wireless headphones for completing the free and reduced lunch application. This form went home in your first Big Blue folder. Thank you to those of you who have already filled it out. If you did not complete the form and would like to, more information is following your newsletter.



September 27th - Books & Beyond review 3:30-4:30

September 28th - All-School Meeting led by 5T

October 7th - No School - Prof. Development

October 10th - No School - Indigenous People's Day

October 18th - School Picture Day

October 27th - Evening Student Led Parent

Conferences

October 28th - No School - Student Led Parent

Conferences

October 31st - Halloween Parade at 1:30

September 7, 2022

Hello BRSU Families,



We are very excited to announce that **school meals will be free** again to all BRSU students. This is very exciting for families and will hopefully help out the local economy. This means that a student is entitled to one free breakfast and lunch daily. If a student chooses just milk alone, they will be charged \$.50, therefore we will always encourage the student to take the components they need to make the meal complete.



Another exciting announcement is that we will be participating in the "Fill the Form" campaign and will be raffling off a Nintendo Switch and a pair of Fly ANC wireless headphones!

To get entered into the raffle you will need to **fill out and return the 2022/2023 free and reduced application or apply online.** By completing the application the students in the household will be added to the drawing automatically. Even if you don't feel you qualify for free meals, apply to be entered into the drawing.

All online applications need to be completed, or forms returned to the food service director, by **September 30, 2022** to be entered in the drawing. The drawing will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2022.

How do you apply or submit completed forms? Pick one of the four options below.

1. Apply online at <https://www.mymealtime.com>
2. Drop off the completed form to the school's registrar
3. Email the completed form (available at www.brsu.org) to the food services director at sgates@brsu.org
4. Mail the completed form to:
BRSU
6378 Vermont Route 7A
Sunderland, Vermont 05250
Attn: Stephanie Gates

All information is kept strictly confidential!

If you have already filled out a 22/23 Free and Reduced Application or Household Income Form, your students have been entered!

Why is this needed? This information is required to receive funding from many other state and federal programs that contribute to your child's education.

Thank you for taking the time to apply.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Stephanie Gates Food Service Director, BRSU
802-362-2452 x1518
sgates@brsu.org

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

2022/23 JISP Sign-Up is now LIVE!

Your students are invited to join the Bromley Outing Club's JISP program this winter at Bromley Mountain!

The Bromley Outing Club's Junior Instructional Ski Program (JISP) was founded and is run each season to benefit local area school children. The program was started in 1951 by Sally Pabst and Betsy Fowler and has a long history of volunteerism and supporting the local community. Our aim is to make skiing and snowboarding accessible to everyone. Participation in skiing and snowboarding gets your student outside in the winter, provides an opportunity to learn a life-long sport, and learn skills on and off the snow with their peers. Students are dismissed early from school one afternoon per week and instructed to ski and snowboard by volunteers under the direction of the BOC over 8 weeks of lessons. There are great opportunities for parents and friends in the community to earn lift tickets through volunteering, much of which does not require skiing or snowboarding.

Who Can Join?

There are two programs offered for the Junior Instructional Ski Program with age as the determining factor. On December 31, 2022, if your student will be age 6 or 7, they will be in the KAP program. If your student will be age 8 or older (through 8th grade), they will be in the JISP program. The difference between the two programs is that the KAP students are taught by paid Bromley Mountain ski and snowboard instructors and the JISP program is taught by volunteer instructors who are trained and operate within the Bromley Outing Club organization. We are also excited that the Bart Adaptive Center will continue to offer individualized ski and snowboard instruction to students who have a physical or cognitive disability. More information is available on our website for this program along with a registration link.

Key Details

Full program details, information, and FAQ's can be found on our website at www.bromleyoutingclub.com, or by using the QR code at the bottom of this sheet. Registration must be completed online via our website. **A \$50 late fee will be applied to any registration completed after October 31, 2022. Registration closes November 30, 2022.**

- The program runs Tuesday thru Friday – your student's weekly attendance day is dependent upon their school's calendar. Lessons happen from 1:00-3:00pm. Students in JISP and KAP may not skip their lessons or use their pass to access the lift without their instructor until lessons are complete. Bromley does offer a local school discounted season pass for JISP schools, and parents are welcome to arrange for their students to go skiing or snowboarding, unsupervised and separate from the JISP program.
- The JISP 2022/23 program begins on Tuesday January 10, 2023, with the last day of the program on Friday March 10, 2023. The program does not operate during President's week school holiday (2/18-2/24).
- Students may continue skiing or snowboarding after their lesson each week from 3:00-4:00pm. This is not supervised by Bromley Mountain or the Bromley Outing Club and is permitted if parents or guardians allow their student to continue skiing with friends and trusted adults.
- Additionally, there are nine Sundays throughout the season that your student's JISP pass will give them lift access at no additional charge. These dates are posted on our website.
- Program pricing for 2022/23 is \$130 for the JISP program and \$215 for the KAP program. Financial aid is available, and scholarship applications can be found on our website. The deadline for scholarship applications is November 1 and will be awarded by November 11, 2022.
- Seasonal ski and snowboard rentals are available at a reduced rate for the program. Details are included on our website.





BUT WHY *Live!*

TICKETS

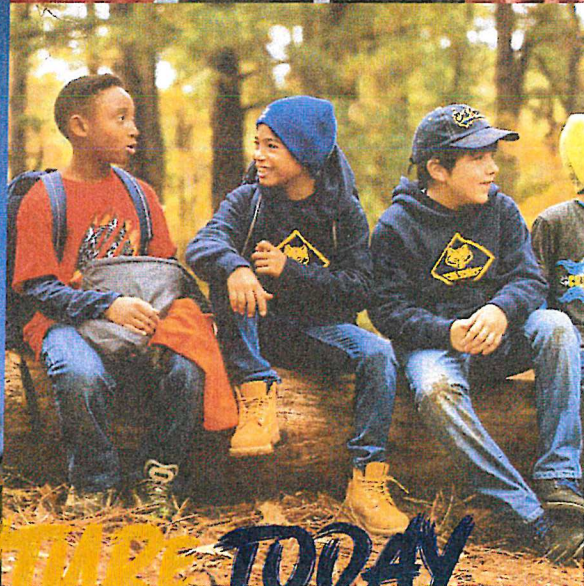
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FREE FOR KIDS

**SUNDAY,
September 25
1 p.m.**

MANCHESTER

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START YOUR ADVENTURE TODAY



Come and check out the Adventure with CUB SCOUTS Pack 6044

Scouting is family, fun, friends, and a lifetime of adventure! It's the place where young people can grow to become their very best future selves.

Welcoming Boys & Girls Ages 5-11

**October 6th, 2022, at VFW Pavilion- 121North St. Granville, NY
at 5:30pm**

More information on Cub Scouts Contact:
Ashlee Zinn- Cubpack6044@gmail.com

Auditions Announced for "A Christmas Carol"

Auditions for the Dorset Players' holiday production of "A Christmas Carol" will be held from 6:30-9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4 and Wednesday, October 5 at the Dorset Playhouse rehearsal hall. The director is looking for 15 to 18 adults and five to six children (ages 8 and up) for an ensemble cast who will play multiple roles. The script includes Christmas carols and a dance, therefore those auditioning will be asked to sing and follow a simple dance routine, in addition to reading from the script. Familiarity with the story and characters is highly recommended. The adaptation, by Jon and Marcia Dixey Jory, can be read online through Stage Partners (Full length version).

The Dorset Players encourage actors of all races and gender identities to audition. Performance dates are December 2, 3, 9, and 10 at 7:30pm, and December 4 and 11 at 2:00pm. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Players' office at 802-867-5570, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00 to 3:00 or by contacting us at info@dorsetplayers.org.

MCT AUDITION NOTICE for “Hansel & Gretel”

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Dorset Players are delighted to once again host Missoula Children's Theatre. The 2023 Missoula Children's Theatre production will be ***Hansel & Gretel***.

Auditions will be held on Monday, January 16th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Dorset Playhouse. There are roles for students in Kindergarten through 12th grade. Approximately 50-60 local students will be cast to appear in the show with a MCT Tour Actor/Director. There is no guarantee that everyone who auditions will be cast in the play. **Students wishing to audition must arrive by the scheduled starting time and stay for the entire two-hour session.** (The first rehearsal begins approximately 30 minutes after the audition for the older cast members.)

This is a group audition - **no advance preparation is necessary**, but a smile never hurts. Students should just be ready to come and have a good time!

Rehearsals will be conducted on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 4:00-6:00 and/or 6:30-8:30 at the Dorset Playhouse. Although not all cast members will be needed at every session, those auditioning must have a clear schedule for the entire week and if selected, be able to attend all rehearsals required for their role. A detailed rehearsal schedule will be distributed at the conclusion of the audition. Cast members scheduled for the full 4½ hours of rehearsal will be asked to bring a sack dinner or snack.

The performances will be held on Saturday, January 21st at 2:00 and 7:00 and will be presented at the Dorset Playhouse. All those cast must be available for **all** scheduled performances.

The Missoula Children's Theatre is a non-profit organization based in Missoula, Montana. The residency in Dorset is made possible by the Dorset Players with help from community businesses and members. To cover ever-increasing production costs not covered by our sponsors, there will be a fee of \$25.00 for each child who agrees to participate in this show. **We are asking that parents make payment of the \$25.00 on Monday evening after the cast assignments have been made.** Should this fee pose a financial hardship, please talk to one of Players' Producers about the availability of a scholarship.

If you have any questions, you may contact Claire VanEeden at the Dorset Players' office between 10 and 3, M, W, Th, or F at 867-5570 or e-mail info@dorsetplayers.org.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gushee
Producer of MCT
Dorset Players' Board Member

SHOW SYNOPSIS

HANSEL AND GRETEL

Adapted by Jim Caron
Music and Lyrics by Michael McGill and Jim Caron

Times are tough for modern-day Hank and Gretchen, 'til they find themselves deep in the wondrous Wildwood world of Hansel and Gretel. The Missoula Children's Theatre proudly presents an original musical adaptation of the Brothers Grimm age-old tale of a journey, a secret and a grand adventure. Poor Hank and Gretchen! All of their friends, off to summer camp, have left them behind. While waiting for dinner, Hank and Gretchen fall asleep and dream their way to times gone by. They wake with a start! Their clothes are so strange—and so are their names. Lost in the deep dark woods, Granny leads Hansel and Gretel on a search for the path which will lead them to better times at home. But as evening approaches and the moon rises above the trees, Hansel and Gretel are not alone! The Rascals dart from tree to tree as sweet little Wallybirds innocently munch on the cookie crumbs left as a map on the forest floor. Crafty cooks and Gingerbread Men lead our heroes to a colorful cottage concocted completely of candy and cakes, where Hansel and Gretel unravel the secret of the Wildwood Witch:

Is she bad?
Or is she good?
Is she wicked...
Or misunderstood?

There's music and laughter and thrills and chills. So join the fun as Hansel and Gretel's dream is mysteriously blended with real life, and the lessons of one apply to the other. You'll learn the secret of the Wildwood --- but, shhh --- don't tell!

THIS IS NOT
JISP. It is
for a season
pass -



Bromley
Vermont's Sun Mountain

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starting at \$165

47 Trails
Southern Exposure.
Warmer Days.
Local.
Family.
Fun.

Save up to \$55 when you
purchase your Student
Group Season Pass by
October 15, 2022.

Visit Bromley Mountain or
stop by your school office
for an application and full
rate schedule.



2022/23 Student Group Season Pass Application

Full Season Pass

	Type of Pass	Purchased on or before 10/15/21	Purchased after 10/15/21
Teen Student (<i>grades 9-12</i>)	(FTS)	\$315	\$360
Junior Student (<i>grades K-8</i>)	(FTJ)	\$255	\$310

Afternoon Season Pass

	Type of Pass	Purchased on or before 10/15/21	Purchased after 10/15/21
(Beginning at 12:30pm) Teen Student (<i>grades 9-12</i>)	(PMTS)	\$195	\$240
Junior Student (<i>grades K-8</i>)	(PMJS)	\$165	\$215

Note - Both full season and afternoon passes are valid weekends and holidays. All pass sales are subject to Vermont Sales Tax.

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR PROCESSING. PLEASE PRINT.
PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN RELEASE ONLINE BEFORE PASS CAN BE PROCESSED!
<https://bit.ly/3QPQ3Tp>

Parent's Last Name Parent's First Name Phone

Street Address City State Zip

Email address

Type of Pass	First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Grade	Rate	School

6% Tax

Total

Name _____ Visa MasterCard Amex
Discover

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____ CSV Code _____

Signature _____

Eligibility

1. You must be a full-time student.
2. 4% of your school's enrollment must be Bromley Season passholders to qualify your school for the group season pass rate. (So spread the word to your fellow students.)
3. Applications by mail with payment enclosed must be postmarked no later than October 15, 2021 to qualify for the early rate.

Additional forms available at your school or by contacting Bromley Mountain.
 PO Box 1130, Manchester Ctr., Vermont 05255

