



Mettawee Messenger

October 6, 2022 Principal: Brooke DeBonis 645-9009

Principal's Corner:

Halloween Parade Expectations

Our parade will be held on Monday, October 31st at 1:45. Kindergarten through sixth grade, along with the Mettawee teachers & staff, will walk in our parade by coming out the primary wing doors, down the sidewalk in front of our school, and end up out back on the playground. We will sing a few songs outside before the classes come back into school. Make sure your child's costume is school friendly and easy to put on and take off independently. *Please leave the weapons, scary masks, and any extra accessories at home.*

Our 5th graders will be coming back early from their field trip to participate in the parade.

Families will not be entering the building to bring in costumes, help put costumes on, or pick up their children afterwards. We welcome you to come watch the parade outside the school and come around the building to listen to the children sing songs. The parade will be done around 2:15 so families can pick up their children for dismissal. We will ask that you send in a note telling us that your child will be leaving with you after the parade and we will send them to the front to be dismissed. We are hoping to keep this fun tradition for our students and also

change things up a bit to make sure we are keeping all of our staff and students safe. Thanks for your support and understanding.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

**No School on
Friday, October 7th.**
It is a professional
development day
for our teachers
and staff.



INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY



**No school Monday, October 10th in
honor of Indigenous People's Day.**



SMILE!
School Picture Day
is Tuesday, October
18th.



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OCTOBER 11th - 14th

Monday - Indigenous People's Day - no school

Tuesday - TACKY TUESDAY

Wednesday - METTAWEE SPIRIT DAY! - Wear your Blue & Green. *If you play soccer please wear your uniform or Mettawee T-shirt. We will be taking team yearbook pictures on Wednesday.

Thursday - DRESS ALIKE DAY!

Friday - HAT DAY!



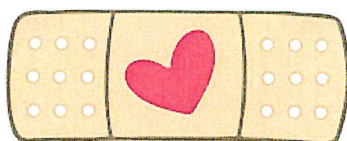
Covid Vaccine Clinic for Kids

Monday, October 17 9:30-11:30
at the Mettawee Community School

Provided by the Vermont Department of Health

Primary series vaccines and boosters available
Please contact Mrs. Mayer by October 12 to register.

Parents and guardians may attend or have your child supported by Mrs. Mayer and school staff.



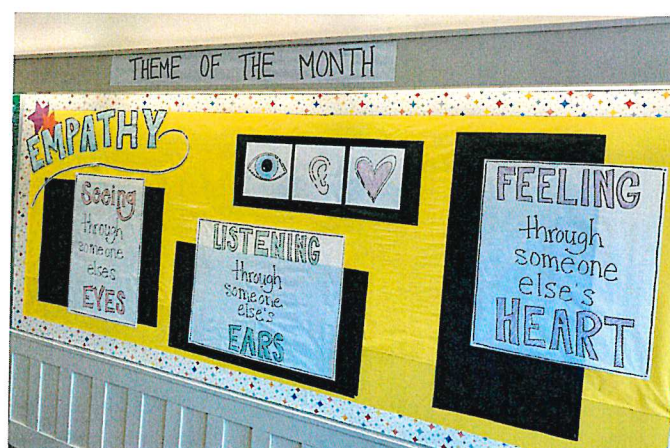
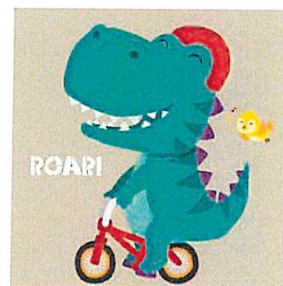
BIKE WEEK RETURNS

We are excited to announce that the Bike Smart Trailer will be here again this year!

Bike week at Mettawee will be October 17th - 21st and students will have the opportunity to improve their bike skills through games and on bike activities designed to help them become safe and confident bike riders.

Bike riding will happen during PE classes.

There will be helmets available and they will be disinfected between users, but if you would like to bring your own please label it clearly with your child's name.



EMPATHY

SEEING with someone else's eyes
LISTENING with someone else's ears
FEELING with someone else's heart



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SOCCER UPDATES:



If you've been taking pictures at practices or games please send them to Heidi Hammell at hhammell@brsu.org so we can begin building a soccer yearbook page!

GAME SCHEDULE

3/4 Team

Thursday, October 6th
Home vs. Maple Street at 4:30

Thursday, October 13th
Home vs. Poultney at 4:30

Tuesday, October 18th
Away vs. Maple Street at 4:30

5/6 Team

Wednesday, October 12th
Home vs. Poultney at 4:30

Friday, October 14th
Away vs. Fair Haven at 4:30

Wednesday, October 19th
Away vs. Maple Street at 4:30

Monday, October 24th
Away vs. Truthville at 4:30

Wednesday, October 26th
* Rescheduled game
Home vs. Maple Street at 4:30

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

Share the Warmth

Clothing Drive & Give Away

The Mettawee Community School is excited to be hosting the Share the Warmth Clothing Drive this year on Saturday, November 19th and Sunday, November 20th from 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.

All sizes of clothing, especially winter will be accepted along with outerwear, accessories, bedding, and shoes. ALL clothing must be clean and smoke free. Donations can be dropped off Friday, November 18th from 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

If you would like to volunteer, donate or have any questions, please reach out to Brooke Burnham at 802-342-6377 or email lbbw1999ollieowen@yahoo.com.

:Please bring your own bags:



Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences on Friday, October 28th.

There will be no school on that day - just an expectation that you come to your conference.



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JISP Info!

Bromley Mountain JISP: A \$50 late fee will be applied to any registration completed after October 31, 2022. Registration closes November 30, 2022.



Riley Rink ice skating JISP:
Now open for registration.

Links to both programs will be included in your newsletter email.

For those of you new to Mettawee, JISP is the Junior Instructional Ski or Skate Program. For Mettawee school, we dismiss Friday afternoons 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.



Tea and Mindfulness

Kindergarteners had the opportunity to make and try dandelion tea last week with Ms. Kelly, Mrs. Bickford, and Mrs. Webb who are all taking a class about mindfulness. If you get a chance, ask them if they liked it or not!



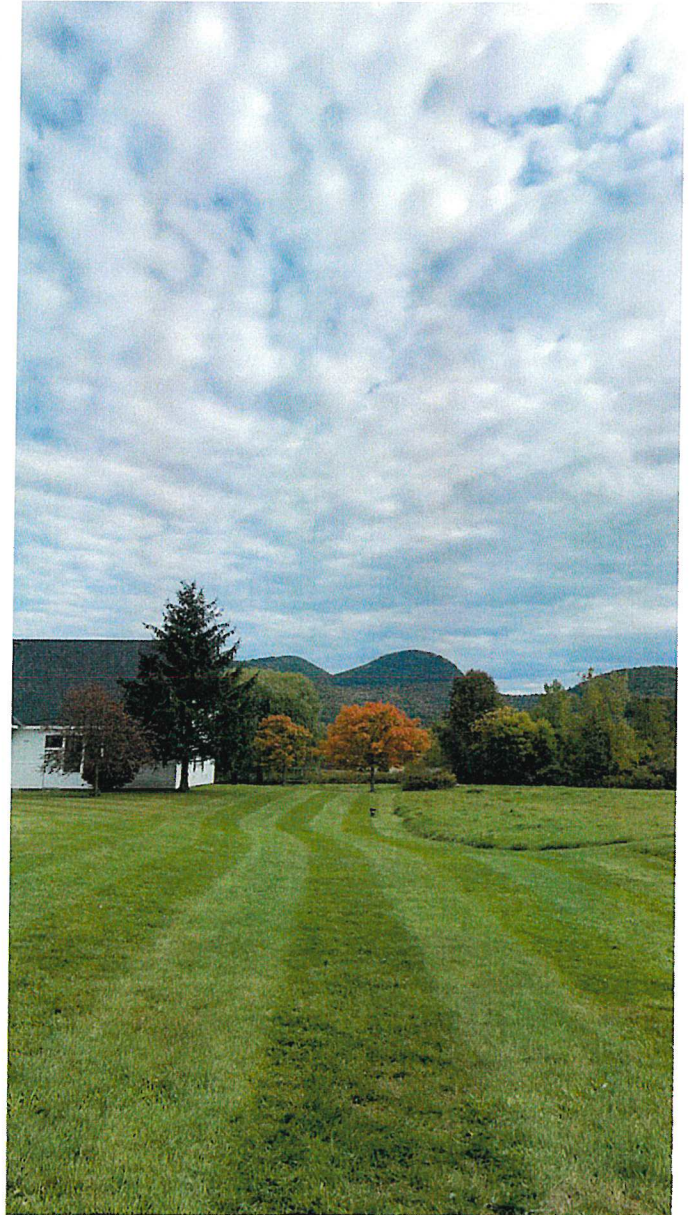


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October 7th - No School - Prof. Development
October 10th - No School - Indigenous People's Day
October 18th - School Picture Day
October 27th - Evening Student Led Parent
Conferences
October 28th - No School - Student Led Parent
Conferences
October 31st - Halloween Parade at 1:45
November 19th-20th - Clothing Drive
November 23rd-25th - Thanksgiving Break
November 28th - Picture Retake Day





COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic for Kids

When? Monday October
17, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Mettawee Community
School

Primary series and
booster shots available.

Please contact our school
nurse Mrs. Mayer at
mmayer@brsu.org or call (802)
645-9009 by Wednesday,
October 12 to register.

**Parents and gaurdians welcome,
or your child may be supported
by Mrs. Mayer and other staff.**



METTAWEE SPIRIT WEEK!

OCTOBER 11-14

MONDAY

No School- Indigenous People's Day



TUESDAY

T*A*C*K*Y Tuesday!



WEAR YOUR POLKA DOTS AND STRIPES! MISMATCHED COLORS!
SILLY SOCKS AND PIGTAILS.... TACKY AND WACKY DAY!



WEDNESDAY - METTAWEE SPIRIT DAY

Spirit Day! Wear your BLUE and GREEN!!!

SHOW YOUR TEAM SPIRIT AT OUR 5/6 HOME SOCCER GAME
AGAINST POULTNEY @4:30!



THURSDAY- DRESS ALIKE DAY!

SHOW YOUR TEAM SPIRIT AT OUR 3/4 HOME SOCCER GAME

AGAINST POULTNEY @4:30!

FRIDAY -

Hat Day! Wear your favorite hat today!



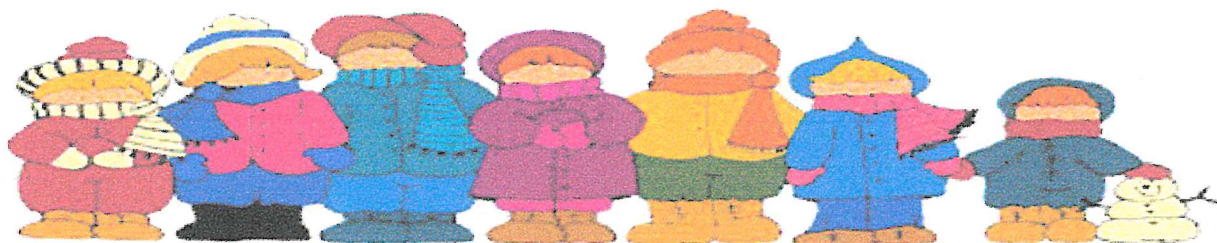
SHARE THE WARMTH 15th Annual Clothing Drive and Giveaway

At Mettawee Community School

5788 VT- 153, West Pawlet

Saturday, November 19th & Sunday, November 20th

From 9:00AM-2:00pm (bring your own bags)



All size clothing, especially winter will be accepted along with
outerwear, accessories, bedding, and shoes.

All clothing **MUST** be clean, smoke free, and reusable!

Donations can be dropped off Friday, November 18th from
8:00AM-4:00PM

If you have any questions or would like to donate your
donations before the 18th, please call Brooke Burnham at
802-342-6377 or email lbbw1999ollieowen@yahoo.com

Bromley Outing Club – JISP “Ski 5” Program 2022/23



New for the 2022/23 ski season, we are testing a pilot program to include your 5-year-old kindergarten students who are enrolled in participating JISP program schools. We are excited to be able to offer an introduction to the JISP program for those youngest students that cannot yet participate in the KAP program. This pilot program is contingent upon having enough parent volunteers available to supervise a group of their students each week for their lesson period (1:00-3:00pm). If you are interested in organizing this “Ski 5” program at your school, please reach out to the Bromley Outing Club office via email at boc@bromleyoutingclub.com to get started. We need one volunteer to act as the lead coordinator for your group who will be responsible for recruiting and coordinating volunteers for this program. Volunteers for this pilot program will go through BOC instructor training and will join our volunteer program where they can earn lift tickets in exchange for their service. Lift riding will be restricted to the Magic Carpet for student participants with exception only being made based upon the number of volunteers present, specific to this group, on any given lesson day.

METTAWEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL LOCAL FOOD RESOURCES

Healthy Meals at the Pawlet Food Pantry

38 Route 133, Pawlet, VT 05761 (802) 325-3592

Frozen prepared meals, healthy and free, are available at the food pantry for those in need every fourth Friday of each month (third Friday in December), 9 AM-12 PM, at the Pawlet Community Church, junction of Routes 30 & 133 in Pawlet Village. Know someone in need who can't make it to the pick up? We can help! Call: 802-867-2409. Meals are provided by The Grateful Hearts non-profit food program.

A Helping Hand in Pawlet

A Helping Hand in Pawlet: FREE meals are available for those struggling to make ends meet. Meals are prepared by Mach's Market every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday.

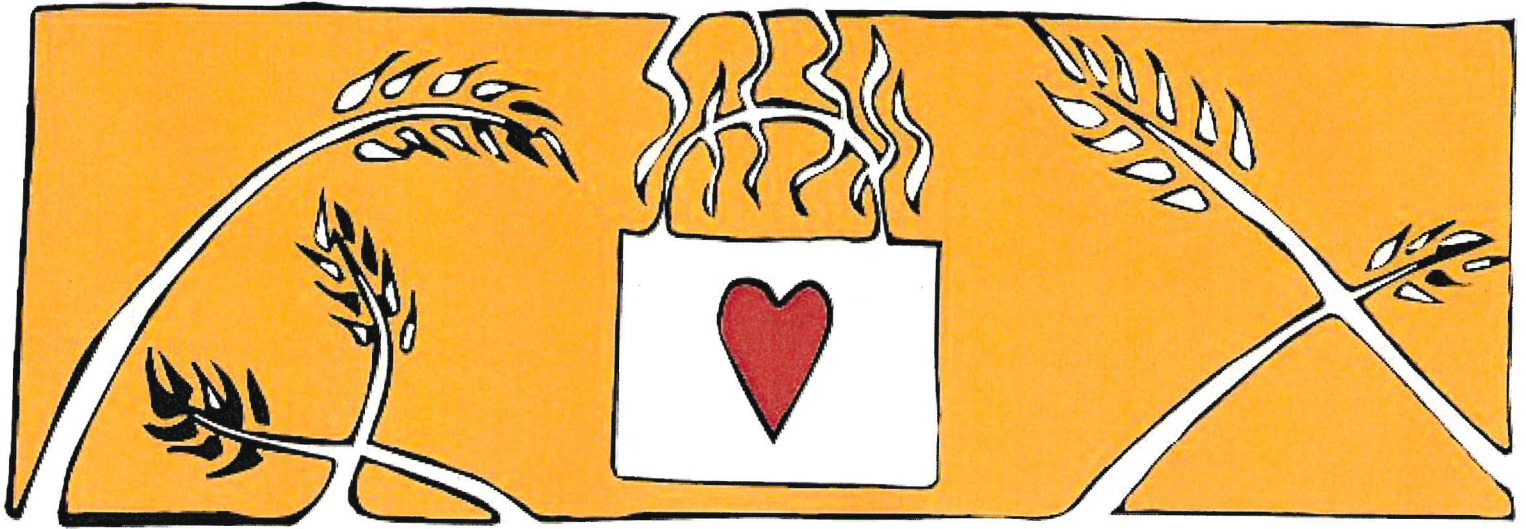
Menus are posted each week on Front Porch Forum and on [facebook/McChesneyRealEstateInc](https://www.facebook.com/McChesneyRealEstateInc).

To reserve a meal, call Nancy Bryant at 802-325-3172 from 10 am to 12 pm THE DAY BEFORE (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) for pick up from 5 to 5:30 pm the next day.

All the work of the Food Pantry and Helping Hands distribution is 100% volunteer. All funds go to pay for food.

Those who can are asked to make a tax-deductible donation to support this valuable outreach to our neighbors. Send checks payable to Pawlet Community Church Food Pantry, c/o Timothy Bryant, 337 Milaura Lane, Pawlet, Vermont 05761.





EVERYONE EATS !

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

Wednesday 10/12

COMMUNITY FOOD CUPBOARD

Pick up meals 2 - 4 PM

40 Jeff Williams Way, Manchester Center

Meals provided by The Works Café
& Moonwink

Thursday 10/13

COMMUNITY FOOD CUPBOARD

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

40 Jeff Williams Way, Manchester Center

Meals provided by Sam's Wood Fired Pizza,
Cold Cow Creamery & New Morning Natural Foods

ADDITIONAL FOOD RESOURCES:

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



Visit:
bit.ly/benn-food



For updates, visit: www.facebook.com/everyoneeatstheshires

Hear Something? See Something?

DO SOMETHING!

STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE

Help Keep Our School Safe

How you can help:

Text, call, or go on-line to
message the Vermont
School Safety Tip Line with
information if you hear
about any threats of
violence to the school.

School
Tips Are
100%
Anonymous

Text: Safe4VT to 274637

CALL

844-Safe4VT
(844-723-3488)

Safe4VT.org

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From Doodles to Drawings: Pen and Ink Techniques for Young Artists

Instructor: Julie Merwin
Wednesdays, October 12–
November 16
3:30–5 p.m.

Ages 11+
SVAC Member: \$160
Non-member: \$195

Scholarships are available for all classes.



Family Halloween Mask Making

Instructor: Polly Stone
Saturdays, October 15 & October 22
2–4 p.m.

Ages 6+ with an adult
SVAC Member: \$70
Non-member: \$85
(includes all materials)

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