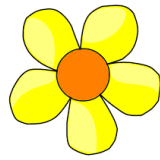
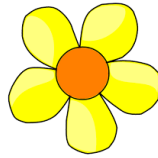
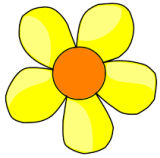


SVES



Newsletter

May 2018



A Community of HAWKS!

FILL A BUCKET

Many of our classroom teachers are using the book [Fill a Bucket: A Guide to Daily Happiness for Young Children](#) by Carol McCloud and Katherine Martin to help students be happier and kinder. Bucket fillers include:

- Shake someone's hand and introduce yourself
- Smile
- Be a good listener
- Share
- Use manners when speaking to others
- Take turns
- Give someone a compliment



www.bucketfillers101.com

GARDENING

Maine kids are playing an important role in creating a new generation with a connection to growing. Planting gives kids a sense of pride and a connection to the world around them, and it's a great reason to get outside and be more active.

www.plantsomethingmaine.org



NWEA

Three times a year students in grades 1 to 3 are assessed in Math and Reading using the NWEA assessment. Students are assessed on grade level standards and their progress toward yearly academic growth goals. This assessment is nationally normed and administered to students all across the United States. SVES teachers use assessment data to plan and adjust instruction for students.

For more information:

www.nwea.org/parent-toolkit/

CALENDAR

May 1-SVES PTC Meeting @5pm

May 3-K Registration @6:30pm

May 4-Early Release @1pm

May 7-11-Teacher Appreciation Week

May 13-Mother's Day

May 14-24- NWEA Assessment Gr 1-3

May 16-18-K Screening

May 18- Bikes for Books Assembly

May 25- Field Day/Early Release @11:30am

May 28-Memorial Day-No School

June 1-Count ME In Assembly

Stayed tuned for "End of the Year"
Activities Calendar

GRIT

Grit means maintaining hope and vision to change even under the most challenging circumstances. It is important to show children that failure is part of the process not an endpoint, but a necessary crossing on the road to achievement. Here are few ways to build grit in children:

1. Help your child find purpose
2. Encourage your children to conduct "grit interviews" with grand parents and other family members
3. Share stories about famous gritty people (ex-Michael Jordan, Oprah Winfrey, Lady Gaga)
4. Teach about grit through nature
5. Ask "what is the hard part?"
6. Share your passions
7. Teach about grit through literature (ex- "The Little Engine That Could")
8. Teach about grit through nature.
9. Praise effort, not ability

For more information:

www.mybiglifejournal.com

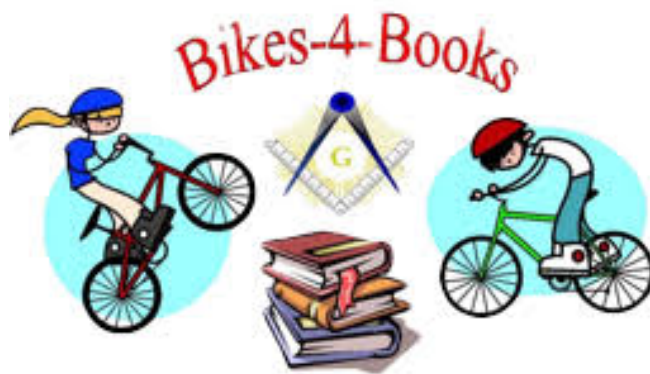
www.theedadvocate.org

BIKES FOR BOOKS

Our annual Bikes for Books program began in March and is continuing until May 16. Students in grades K-3 are participating in a reading program sponsored by the Drummond #118 North Parsonsfield Masonic Lodge. Students will have an opportunity to win a free bike if they read a book.

Two bikes at each grade level will be provided. In addition, two additional bikes will be awarded to the top boy and girl reader for each grade level.

Students enter their name into the drawing for every book that they read between March 14 and May 16. The winners will be announced at an assembly on May 18. A box is located in the library for students to deposit their completed book tickets. Extra book tickets are available in the office.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Congratulations to all of our NextGen Sea Dogs Most Improved Students.

Twenty-six of our students were recognized for their achievements and recieved free tickets to a Sea Dogs game on Monday, May 28

-Reminder that Field Day is May 25

and an Early Release Day. Students will be dismissed at 11:30 for bus dismissal and 11:20 for parent pick-up.

-Student placement surveys need to be completed by parents/guardians and returned to Dr. Sullivan by Monday, May 14.

Give it your all
Redo if necessary
Ignore giving up
Take time to do it right