

November 15, 2019



EMES Mission Statement
“The purpose of our school is to teach all children to become competent, caring citizens and life-long learners through a challenging and relevant curriculum.”



2019-2020 EMES Family Newsletter

Alicia Lyford, Principal

Dear EMES Families -

Although it was only a three day week for our students, it sure felt like a long one for many of us! We started the week with a full day of parent-teacher conferences and it was great to see the steady flow of parents coming into the building not only on Monday but throughout these past two weeks. Our teachers look forward to this time of sharing your children's progress to this point in the year and talking with you about hopes and goals for the rest of the year. You should have received a separate email from me with your child's U-Arts progress notes on it. Instead of putting them all in the newsletter this year, we decided to separate them by grade and send them as a separate mailing.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our annual Harvest Feast on Thursday. The kitchen served well over 300 holiday meals and we had a full house at each of our three seating's! The kitchen prepared a lovely turkey dinner and the student leadership team did an incredible job of keeping up with the serving and cleaning throughout the event.

Our all-school PBIS groups continue to meet each Friday morning to work on what it means to be a Safe, Respectful, and Responsible person. Our current theme of Giving Back is well underway and groups are working together on ways they can give back to their community. You'll see a few examples of this on the following pages as they work to give back to our community in many creative ways!

As we enter into the holiday season, we have a lot going on at EMES, including our winter concerts and Gifts for Giving. Please make sure to mark your calendars for these festive events!

Have a great weekend!

Alicia

Dates to Note:

WCUUSD Board Meeting: Wed, November 20th 6:30 Rumney Memorial School

Band/Chorus Concert: Thursday, November 21st 6:00pm in the gym

Thanksgiving Break: Wed, November 27—Friday, November 29

Gifts for Giving: Tuesday, December 17th (snow date December 18th)

Pre-K Holiday Celebration: Friday, December 20th at 10:30 (families invited through lunch!)

Holiday Break: Monday, December 23—Thursday, January 1





Gifts For Giving 2019

DEC. 17 | SNOW DATE DEC 18

GIFTS FOR GIVING IS A DAY WHERE VOLUNTEER CRAFTERS SET UP STATIONS IN THE GYM. STUDENTS VISIT THE STATIONS TO MAKE HAND-MADE CREATIONS TO GIVE FRIENDS OR FAMILY DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! LOOKING FOR HELP LEADING CRAFT STATIONS & HELPING WITH STATIONS. NO NEED TO BE CRAFTY! BRING YOUR OWN IDEAS OR JUST COME TO HELP OUT. PLEASE CONTACT EMES ART TEACHER ALEX MORSE @ ALMORSE@U32.ORG TO VOLUNTEER.

**Come One Come All to the
EMES Toy Share on Friday December 6th from 3:30-5:30 or by appointment**



Help us recycle toys in our community. Toys are free and there is no need to bring one to get one.

Starting November 25th, we will be accepting new and gently used toys, games and books.

Drop them in one of the collection boxes in our hall .

Questions??? Please feel free to contact: Laura, Jamie or Jenn at 223-7936

We had a very successful Winter Clothing Swap at EMES last week. A huge shout-out goes to our local Girl Scout Troup for organizing this event that will keep many children warm and dry this winter! The leftover clothing was donated to the Connecting Hope Clothing Drive that will be happening in Barre tomorrow!





A few EMES Student Leadership Team members at our Harvest Feast

Katherine Arden, local author, visits EMES book club to talk about her recent book, Small Spaces



Cardboard creations in the Makerspace Wednesday lunch bunch



EMES staff participate in a trust-building activity at a recent training on Creating Gender Affirming Schools with Mara Iverson from Outright Vermont



Fifth and sixth graders participate in a book discussion with Mrs. Christy



EMES Band & Chorus Concert

November 21st, 2019

6:00 pm

EMES Gym



Performances by:

5th Grade Beginner Band

6th Grade Band

4th-6th Grade Chorus

Friends and family welcome!

Notes from Nurse Elizabeth

Winter Clothing Swap went well. Thanks to the Girl Scouts for collecting, sorting and displaying. A lot of families found some winter gear to help get through the cold months ahead. We have donated what was left to the Connecting Hope Event being held Nov 16 at the Old Labor Hall in Barre.



Last call for Lost & Found - All remaining fall season lost and found items will be donated next week to make room for all the lost winter items to come. Here are a few remaining items. Let me know if anything looks familiar to you.



And a PLEA to label all your child's clothing - Especially mittens and snow pants - so many of them look alike. I have fabric labels and markers (including a silver marker for black items) and would be happy to help if you send your children to me.

All children must have winter gear with them every day - a winter jacket, snow pants, boots, warm socks, gloves, a hat. We go out unless it is below 0 degrees with the wind chill.

I do keep a small supply of extra items - gloves, hats, snow pants and boots and am happy to lend them to your children. They often don't like the choices I have...

When they tell me "My Mom/Dad etc forgot" - I remind them that it can be their responsibility to be sure they have all their gear every day.

Hoping for a healthy, warm winter season.

Pupcake Sale!

To benefit the Central VT Humane Society

All Orders Due By Thursday, November 21st

Return To Lisa Gariboldi

Pupcakes are cupcakes for your fur baby (dog)!! These will be pumpkin flavored special treats for \$1.00 each. We would like to preorder them so that our PBIS group will know how many to bake. The ingredients are listed below in case you have a dog with allergies.

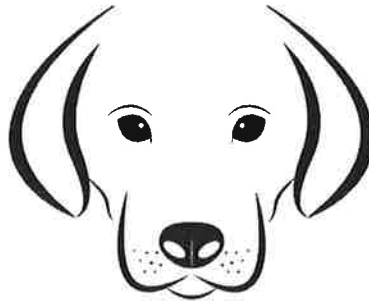
Whole wheat flour, baking powder, egg, maple syrup, pumpkin puree, carrots, greek yogurt, cream cheese, milkbone dog biscuit

Yes! I would love to pre-order # _____ Pupcakes.

(Name on order)

_____ I am sending in the correct amount of cash that is equal to \$1.00 per pupcake.

They will be delivered to your child's classroom on Friday, Dec 13
My child's homeroom teacher is _____



Sponsored by Mrs. Gariboldi and Jodi Parker's PBIS Friday morning group

FREE ADMISSION!
Everyone is welcome!

Connecting Hope

2019

Annual Event & Winter Warm-Up

Saturday, November 16th 9 am - Noon

at the Old Labor Hall

46 Granite Street in Barre

auto maintenance; health education; fuel assistance; transportation; mental health; housing assistance; financial counseling; finding employment; adult education and training; recovery programs; marriage and family counseling; nutrition assistance; spiritual resources; and more

**FREE WINTER CLOTHING
& FREE GROCERIES**

While supplies last!



For more information call or email (802) 622-4244 or connectinghopevt@gmail.com

A huge thank you to the many volunteers and contributors that
make the Annual Event and Winter Warm-Up possible!