

October 4, 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.”



Dear EMES Families -

September was an incredibly busy month at EMES! Students learned and practiced school-wide behavioral expectations, delved into our new math program, crafted numerous writing pieces, practiced various reading strategies, and learned all about monarch butterflies, the scientific method, and ancient civilizations. In addition, September is a month where we collect data on where students are performing in the areas of math, reading, writing, and spelling. We use this assessment data to inform our multi-tiered interventions and supports for students. Next Wednesday, teachers will analyze individual student data in order to determine what additional instruction and supports are needed for students during our Reteach intervention blocks. These interventions will continue throughout the fall.

Thank you to those who joined us on the all-school hike last Friday; we could not have asked for a more beautiful autumn day! Be on the lookout for pictures of the hike in an upcoming Times Argus—WCUUSD schools will be featured for our outdoor education opportunities!

I am excited to announce that EMES has a brand new ADA accessible path leading from the back of our school building to our beautiful playground! A huge thank-you to Josh Ryan and his crew from Timber and Stone, and our very own Michael Blanchard for making this happen!

I hope to see many of you today for our Harvest Festival! The proceeds of this event help support our Educating Children Outdoors (ECO) program.

Best,
Alicia

2019-2020 EMES Family Newsletter

Alicia Lyford, Principal

Dates to Note:

EMES Harvest Festival: Saturday, October 5th

Lion's Club Vision Screening: Tuesday, October 8th

In-service Day—No school for students: Friday, October 11th

WCUUSD Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 16th 6:30 at EMES

WCLT Music Day for 4-6: Thursday, October 17th

Open House: Wednesday, October 23rd 5:30—6:30

Monster Mash: Friday, October 25th

Picture Retake Day: Wednesday, October 30th

WCUUSD Board Meeting: Wed, November 6th 6:30 U-32

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Monday, November 11th

Holiday Feast: Thursday, November 14th 11:30—1:00

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



EMES Makerspace!

Makerspace is not just a room in our school. A makerspace provides time and resources for students to work together to design and build projects, test their ideas, and refine their thinking. The projects students work on are driven by their own interests and not towards specific instructional content. The Unified Arts teachers are hosting makerspace sessions during lunch and recess on Wednesdays for students in grades 2-4 this year. A session will run for 5 weeks of Wednesdays. The multi-meeting structure encourages students to plan and problem solve work on a longer term (not something to complete quickly). Students may find that they are finished with their work after 3 or 4 meetings and opt not to come to the remaining meetings. Makerspace Wednesdays meets for the entire lunch/recess block. Students eat lunch at the beginning of this block.

Makerspace Wednesdays will focus on one or a few main project materials for each session. Students who are interested in Makerspace Wednesdays are asked to select their 1st and 2nd choice for the options available for their grade levels. This is an optional opportunity, it is not required for students to participate in Makerspace Wednesdays.



Family Use of Library Materials

The EMES library has a rich book collection. In an effort to support families accessing our books to explore with their students, we are setting aside open times when families can browse the collection and check out 2 books under their students' accounts.

Please note that students are allowed 1 - 3 books out at a time, depending on their grade level. Family members may check out 2 additional books under that student. Books are due back within 2 weeks.

Open Check Out Times

M, T, & Th 8:45- 9:05 am

T 3:30 - 3:45 pm

Please come browse our library!
Arlyn



Last Tuesday, thirty-nine students gathered in the library after school to participate in the first book club of the year! To celebrate the first featured book, *Bob* by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead, students participated in activities connected to the book and book discussion.. Activities included a LEGO "In the Dark" activity, created their own illustrations of the main character, put together a time capsule of drawings, and more.

Each year since 1957, Vermont students in grades four through eight are invited to participate in voting for the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Book Award. Students must read at least five of the thirty nominated titles before voting in the spring. This year the Vermont Department of Libraries will be changing the name of the Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children's Book Award. Students will also have the opportunity to vote on a new name for the middle-grade book award.

To participate in the EMES book club, 4th-6th grade students need to have read the featured book. Be sure to check out the future book club titles on the school library web page. Our next book club date will feature the scary nominee *Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden and is scheduled November 5th.



EMES BASKETBALL SIGN UP IS NOW OPEN!

Sign up for EMES basketball is officially open online. If you have a student playing soccer this fall, all you'll have to do is log back into your account and sign up your child for basketball. If you haven't used the online registration yet, you'll need to create an account and sign your child up. The website is www.eastmontpelierrecreation.org.

Registration will be open until Friday, October 25. Registration fee for 3-6 is \$30. Registrations arriving after October 25 will have a \$40 registration fee. The K-2 program runs for six Saturdays from early January into February. Registration fee is \$10. Registration for K-2 will re-open again in December. There is no Pre-K basketball program.

The website is currently not able to accept online payments, so registration fees can be dropped off at the main office at EMES or mailed to Jack Zeilenga, 360 Lyle Young Road, East Montpelier, VT 05651. If paying by check (our preference), please make out to East Montpelier Recreation and write your child's name and grade in the memo section.

If you have any questions, please contact Jack Zeilenga at jack.zeilenga@vermont.gov.

What: Cider pressing party

Where: Four Corners Schoolhouse

When: Sunday, October 6 from 1 - 3

Come celebrate autumn at the Four Corners Schoolhouse and meet your new neighbors at the same time. We will be pressing cider from 1-3. If you have apples, feel free to bring up to 3 bags of **clean** apples to press. We will have a limited supply apples on hand. Bring your own gallon jug to take some home if there is extra. There will be cider for all!



For more information, contact Rachael Grossman at 223-3177 or email.



Community Connections

Community Education Programs

To register for this class, or for more information, contact Kim Bolduc,
Site Coordinator for East Montpelier Community Connections at:

802-223-7936 x305 or kbolduc@u32.org



Before you head out into the woods, learn the safe and proper way to handle firearms, how to clean and care for them, and how to conduct yourself in the woods. Class consists of classroom time, videos, guest speakers, demonstrations, workbook home study, a firing range practicum, and a final written test. Students must attend all classes.

Limited to 25 students

Hunter Safety Education

for kids & adults with Sheriff Sam Hill
and his team

~ East Montpelier Elementary School ~

Tuesdays

October 16th	5-8:30pm*
October 30th	5-8:00pm
November 6th	4:30-8pm

Cost: FREE

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Registration is from 4:30-5pm. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian for at least the 1st class, to sign registration paperwork.

This class will be advertised to the general public, so call early to register and guarantee YOUR spot!



Nutritious Meals and Parenting Skills



Wednesdays 5:30-7:00 at The Grace Methodist Church in Plainfield starting October 16, 2019



Come enjoy a healthy meal as part of a **FREE PARENTING CLASS** being offered by
The Health Center.



Leave with free local vegetables and recipes
Free childcare and transportation provided

Share your parenting concerns and strategies in a facilitated discussion led by one of The Health Center's counselors.

**Please contact Anna Huffman, RD at:
454-8336 ext. 243 to register as space is limited.**

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OCTOBER 17, 18, 19
SHOWS @ 7:30PM + SAT. MATINEE @ 2PM

HARDWICK TOWN HOUSE

TICKETS:

**THE GALAXY BOOKSHOP &
VERMONTVAUDEVILLE.COM**

**INFORMATION
802-472-1387**

OCTOBER 2019

East Montpelier Elementary School

We are an equal
opportunity
institution
Menu subject to change

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

1
Chicken Noodle Soup
Manghi's Rolls

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

2
BBQ Pork Rib Sandwich

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

3
Baked Ziti with
Meat or Marinara Sauce

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

4
Crispy Chicken Nuggets

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

7
Chicken Caesar Salad

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

8
Nachos
Rice

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

9
WG HM Pizza

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

10
Spaghetti
Meat or Marinara Sauce

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

11
**No
School**

14
Beef Noodle Soup
Corn Bread

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

15
Taco Tuesday

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

16
Chicken Parmesan

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

17
Cheesy Bread Sticks
Marinara Sauce

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

18
Anything Goes

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Fresh fruit and veggie bar

21
Chicken & Gravy
Mashed Potato

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

22
Beef Burrito
Corn

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

23
Birthday Celebration
Macaroni & Cheese

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

24
Chicken Patty Sandwich
Tater Tots

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

25
Brunch For Lunch

Fresh fruit bar
Choice of milk

28
Pigs in a Blanket
Oven Fries

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

29
Baked Potato Bar
All the fixins

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

30
Chicken Pot Pie

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

31
It's a Ghostly
Surprise!

Fresh fruit and veggie bar
Choice of milk

All meals must have 3 items, one must be a fruit or veggie....HM=Homemade WG= Whole Grain Veg=Vegetarian Gluten free available upon request

We proudly serve, VT Maple Syrup, The Manghi's bread and rolls, Makenzie Meats & Sausage