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Dates to remember

Mar. 28 School Board Meeting
Mar. 29 Report cards issued in PowerSchool
April Traffic Safety Month
Apr. 22-26 Spring Vacation



**Please remember to report your child as absent
or tardy to the school offices before 8:30 a.m.
You can report the information in Pickup Patrol,
or email or call the offices directly. Thank you!**

**For safety purposes, please remain in your
vehicles during car line drop-off and pick-up.**

CSDA Happenings

Grade 4: Fourth graders will finish up *The Tiger Rising* next week. Students will start their second Geometry Unit and begin making their geometry dictionary.

Grade 5: Fifth graders have started reading argumentative texts, determining a text's claim, and supporting reasons. Next week, students will focus on reading for the pros and cons of zoos.

Grade 6: Sixth graders are excited to be diving deep into the realm of the ancient civilization of Mesopotamia. Currently, they are discussing the five necessary features of a civilization and the geography of the location.

CSDA Unified Arts: In the library, students are working on learning how to evaluate sources for their research projects and developing a good open essential question about that research.

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mrs. Bouley



RMMS Happenings

Pre-K: Preschoolers will continue learning about the weather and colors next week. Some of their favorite activities are sure to be color mixing at the science center and making a rain stick.

Grade K: Kindergarteners will be introduced to inflected endings during Readers' Workshop next week. They will hunt through our books to identify "sight words in disguise" as they find sight words with an "s", "es", "ing", or "ed" in our books.

Grade 1: First graders will explore nonfiction in both reading and writing. They will also celebrate the start of spring through reading, poetry, and art.

Grade 2: Second graders are exploring the world of nonfiction in both reading and writing. They will be starting to look at maps in social studies.

Grade 3: Third graders are continuing to explore traditional literature in reading and fraction lessons in math. They are beginning to learn about forces in motion in science and working to practice spelling patterns in word study.

RMMS Unified Arts: Library classes are exploring different genres of storytelling and discussing lessons that can be found in many of these stories. Kindergarten is listening, reciting, and discussing nursery rhymes. Grade 1 is studying well known fairy tales like Snow White and their alternate versions. Grade 2 will have an introduction to Aesop's Fables and finding the messages contained in the story. Grade 3 is learning about ancient Greece and mythology and how stories can appear in our daily lives.

Have a great weekend! Dan Molinari

**New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System 2024
at RMMS/CSDA**

RMMS/CSDA NH SAS - WRITING; Grades 3-6					
	Monday/Tuesday March 11th-12th	Wednesday March 13th	Wednesday March 13th	Thursday March 14th	Friday March 15th
9:00 – 11:00	No Testing	RMMS ELA- WRITING	CSDA ELA-WRITING	Make - ups	Make - ups

RMMS NH SAS Smarter Balanced Test Grade 3					
	Monday May 6th	Tuesday May 7th	Wednesday May 8th	Thursday May 9th	Friday May 10th
9:00 – 11:00	No Testing	Math	Make-ups	ELA Session 1 Reading	Make-ups

CSDA NH SAS Smarter Balanced Test Grade 4					
	Monday May 6th	Tuesday May 7th	Wednesday May 8th	Thursday May 9th	Friday May 10th
9:00 – 11:00	No Testing	ELA Session 1 Reading	Math	Make-ups	Make-ups

CSDA NH SAS Smarter Balanced Test Grade 5					
	Monday May 6th	Tuesday May 7th	Wednesday May 8th	Thursday May 9th	Friday May 10th
9:00 – 11:00	No Testing	ELA Session 1 Reading	Math	Make-ups	Make-ups

CSDA NH SAS Smarter Balanced Test Grade 6					
	Monday May 6th	Tuesday May 7th	Wednesday May 8th	Thursday May 9th	Friday May 10th
9:00 – 11:00	No Testing	ELA Session 1 Reading	Math	Make-ups	Make-ups

CSDA NH SAS Smarter Balanced Grade 5					
	Monday May 13th	Tuesday May 14th	Wednesday May 15h	Thurs day May 16th	Friday May 17th
9:00 – 11:00	Make-ups	Grade 5 Science and Make-ups	Make-ups	Make-ups	Make-ups

**CSDA & RMMS
HEALTH OFFICE UPDATES**
Mar 15, 2024



Daylight Savings Time

If your child has had difficulty waking up or been more irritable this week, it may be related to the time change. Our body's own time-keeping machine regulates sleep and metabolism. So, a time shift disrupts our sleep and circadian rhythms. It takes circadian and sleep rhythms a little "lag time" to transition. The time change can affect sleeping and waking patterns for 5 to 7 days. So think about one week ahead. The upcoming week should be better.



Seasonal Spring Allergies

Keeping Symptoms in Check

Symptoms of seasonal allergies include a stuffy or runny nose, sneezing, itchy eyes and nose, sore throat, cough, and dark circles under the eyes.

- Have your child wash their hands and face as soon as they come in from playing outside so they don't rub pollen in their eyes and nose.
- Check the forecast for pollen levels, and limit outdoor activities when pollen counts are at their highest.
- In combination with taking steps to limit your child's exposure to allergy triggers, there are many safe, effective allergy medicines that target specific symptoms your child is struggling with the most.
- Most allergy medications are now over-the-counter and generally fall into the categories of oral antihistamines, nose sprays and eye drops.
- Check with your doctor on the best option for your child.

Illness Circulating

- **Strep Throat** If your child has a sore throat this can be diagnosed with a rapid strep test or throat culture. If diagnosed with strep throat, your child must be fever free and on antibiotics for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to school.

• **WHEN TO STAY HOME**

To prevent contagious illness, stay home from school with the following:

- Fever (Temp 100.0 or greater)- until fever-free without medication for 24 hours
- Vomiting or Diarrhea - until symptom free for 24 hrs
- New/ Uncontrolled Cough or Sore Throat-contact MD
- New or Unexplained Rash- contact MD
- **COVID-19** - Updated Guidance as of 3/1/24:: Covid positive persons should stay at home and away from others until at least 24 hours after symptoms are getting better overall and the person is fever free (and not using fever-reducing medication). After this 24 hour period it is recommended to wear a well-fitting mask for 5 days when around others.
- COVID 19 now falls under the CDC [Respiratory Virus Guidance](#)

Mental Health is as important as physical health. Inform the school nurse, teacher, principal, or trusted staff member about any health or emotional concerns so we can support your child together. Resources are available in NH via Call/ Text 833-710-6477 or Chat www.nh988.com Resources:

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HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT OUR **BROOKLINE FOOD PANTRY?**

Currently accepting donations and supporting families in Brookline and Hollis!

HOW OUR SCHOOLS CAN HELP



**Most needed items
for March:**

- **Ketchup,**
Mustard, Mayo
- **Salad Dressing**
- **Pretzels/Chips**
- **Pasta Sauce**
- **Boxed Rice Mixes**
- **Vegetable and
Beef Broth**
- **Shelf-Stable Milk**
- **Laundry
Detergent**
- **Deodorant**
- **Shampoo**
- **Tissues**

**All families
welcome- please
spread the word
to community
friends
and neighbors.**

**Thanks to our
PTO, you may
purchase the
most needed
items through
Amazon:**

[https://www.amazon.com/
registries/gl/guest-view/
11J6079RAHQIX](https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/11J6079RAHQIX)



**YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!
PLEASE KNOW THAT ALL DONATIONS MAKE A
DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY.**



SCHOLASTIC SPRING BOOK FAIR

Monday, April 1st, 2024 - Friday, April 5th, 2024

Dear Parents and Families,

The Scholastic Spring Book Fair is coming to RMMS! The attached brochure showcases only a handful of the fun, engaging, and affordable books available to young readers at the fair. All the book fair proceeds go directly to the school library. In fact, each year new books, school supplies, and other technology items are added to our libraries with money earned from your book fair purchases!

Your child's class will visit the book fair during school hours. Please consider volunteering your time during the school day if you are able. We always need parent help in assisting the students. Students may purchase books at the fair using eWallet (our digital payment option), cash, or a check made out to the Brookline PTO. We strongly encourage use of the eWallet - no lost cash or need for money to exchange hands! If you created an eWallet in the past, please note that balances will automatically roll over. You may log in to the website to view balances, add funds, or create a new eWallet for your child.

Scholastic Book Fair Homepage for RMMS:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/RMMS>

This website will feature updates regarding:

- Creating an eWallet for payment
- Class schedule for when your child will visit the fair
- Volunteer sign up sheet

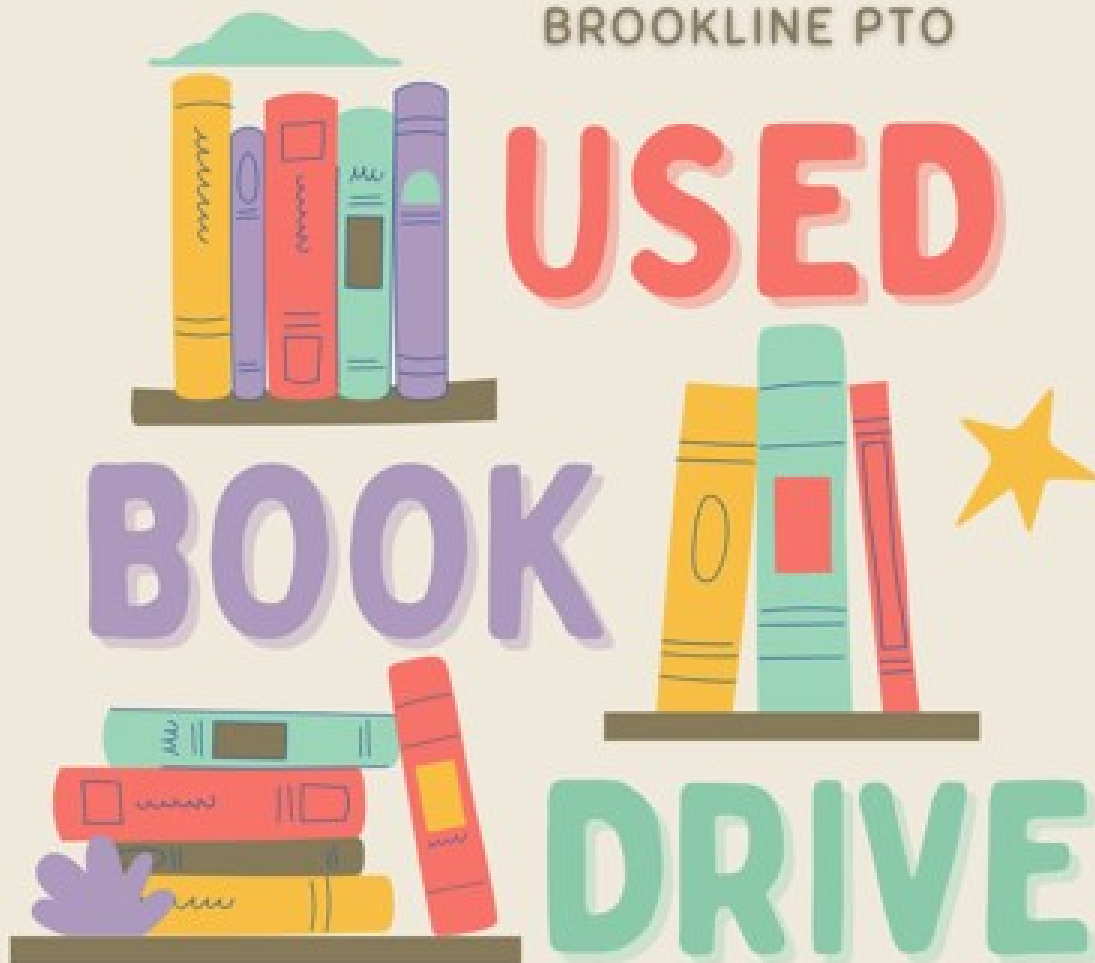
Teachers also will be creating book bins of preferred books for their classrooms that will be on display during the fair. If your family would like to contribute, don't forget to send your child with additional funds to select a book for his/her classroom library or pick out a book with your child on **Family Night, April 4th, from 5:00-6:30 pm**. Stay for a while afterward and participate in **"Bingo for Books"** in the RMMS gym starting at 6:30 pm. More details to follow!

Thank you for partnering with the PTO to support our school library!

Sincerely, **The Brookline PTO**

Not a school sponsored event

BROOKLINE PTO



3/18

THROUGH

3/22

COLLECTION BINS
LOCATED NEAR OFFICES
AT RMMS & CSDA

CHILDREN'S BOOKS ONLY
GOOD CONDITION
WE ESPECIALLY NEED CHAPTER
BOOKS FOR 8-12 YR OLDS

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CSDA Health Classes

During the month of April students at CSDA will be viewing growth and development videos in conjunction with their health classes. These videos present the physiological changes which occur in boys and girls during adolescence. Body changes, emotional changes, as well as habits of health and hygiene are highlighted. The boys and girls will be separated for the program.

The school does not intend to replace the parents in helping children understand themselves, but rather to supplement this role and create openness about changes that all young people experience.

Grade 4 students will watch "Meet The New You" on April 19th

Grade 5 students will watch "Just Around The Corner" on April 12th

Grade 6 students will watch "Always Changing, Always Growing" on April 5th

If you would like to preview these videos please contact Mrs. Van Dyke
at 821-0439 ext 2140 or tammy.vandyke@sau41.org



Your Year of Friendship

- ✓ Have a dance-off with your friends.
- ✓ Learn about the galaxy under the stars.
- ✓ Brighten someone's day by lending a hand.

The first step to friendships that last forever? Feeling totally comfortable being yourself. Be part of a crew that celebrates you just the way you are!

Be a Girl Scout



This is not a school-sponsored event.

Join Daisy Troop 64050 to learn about Girl Scouts!

Free! Bring your grown-up(s) along.
March 26, 2024, at 5:15-6:15pm
Beaver Brook, 117 Ridge Rd, Hollis, NH

Learn all about Girl Scouts in this council staff mentored troop, parents participate with your girls, and see that Girl Scouting is not just another activity!

RSVP to customerservice@girlscoutsgum.org or at 888.474.9686
www.girlscouts.org/join

girl scouts
of the green and
white mountains

SPRING SPIRIT STORE



New styles
available for
Spring!
Tank tops,
shorts & more



Show off your
RMMS and
CSDA spirit



All your
favorites are
here!
T-shirts,
hoodies, croc
charms

Order your spring spirit wear by visiting
<https://brooklinenhpto.ptboard.com> or
scan here (QR code active on 3/4)



***ITEMS
AVAILABLE
MARCH 4 -
MARCH 16***

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HOLLIS BROOKLINE JR. CAVALIERS TACKLE FOOTBALL



is hosting a free
Conditioning & Skills Clinic

*Open to athletes currently
in 2nd – 8th grade*

March 27th - 28th and
April 3rd – 4th
5:30-7:30PM

*Hollis Brookline Middle
School Gym*

Register at
www.hbjrcavs.com



Have fun and learn about football!
No experience necessary!

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