

McGraw Minutes

Issue #8 October 16, 2026

A Note from Mrs. Shaw...

Dear McGraw Families,

♥ We have had a very busy week! We packed a lot into four days!

We had a wonderful concert on Monday with Jared Campbell.

Students learned about being responsible, respectful, and kind.

They sang songs about being an upstander, not a bystander. Jared donated one of his books to the McGraw library. Thank you, Jared Campbell!

🍏 We celebrated Apple Crunch Day. Everyone crunched their apples at the same time! The Maine-grown apples were crunchy and delicious.

🍳 We would like to remind families that breakfast is served daily at McGraw beginning at 8:30. If your child would like to eat breakfast here, please arrive early to allow enough time to eat before the school day begins. We hope to see you there!





JARED CAMPBELL

THE FUN DOESN'T HAVE TO END WHEN THEY GET HOME!

Kids can keep the good vibes going by listening to Jared's music anytime, anywhere.

Just ask Alexa or your Google device to play **Jared Campbell** and have a party!

STREAM JARED'S MUSIC ON:

- Apple Music
- Pandora
- Spotify
- Amazon Music

DON'T MISS JARED'S BOOK!

THANKS FOR HAVING JARED AT YOUR SCHOOL!

McGraw School Office

School Hours

8:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

If you need to contact the office...

Office Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

call: 207.862.3830

email: mcgrawoffice@rsu22.us (all dismissal/absence communication)

fax: 207.862.5649

visit: 20 Main Rd. N. Hampden, ME 04444

Admin. Assistant: Mrs. Tracy-Dunn, ftracydunn@rsu22.us

Admin. Assistant: Mrs. Paradis, dparadis@rsu22.us

Principal: Mrs. Shaw, shannonshaw@rsu22.us

School Nurse: Mrs. Adams, nadams@rsu22.us

School Counselor: Mrs. Erickson, merickson@rsu22.us

McGraw School Website

McGraw Facebook Page

McGraw Family Handbook 2026-2027

Upcoming Dates:

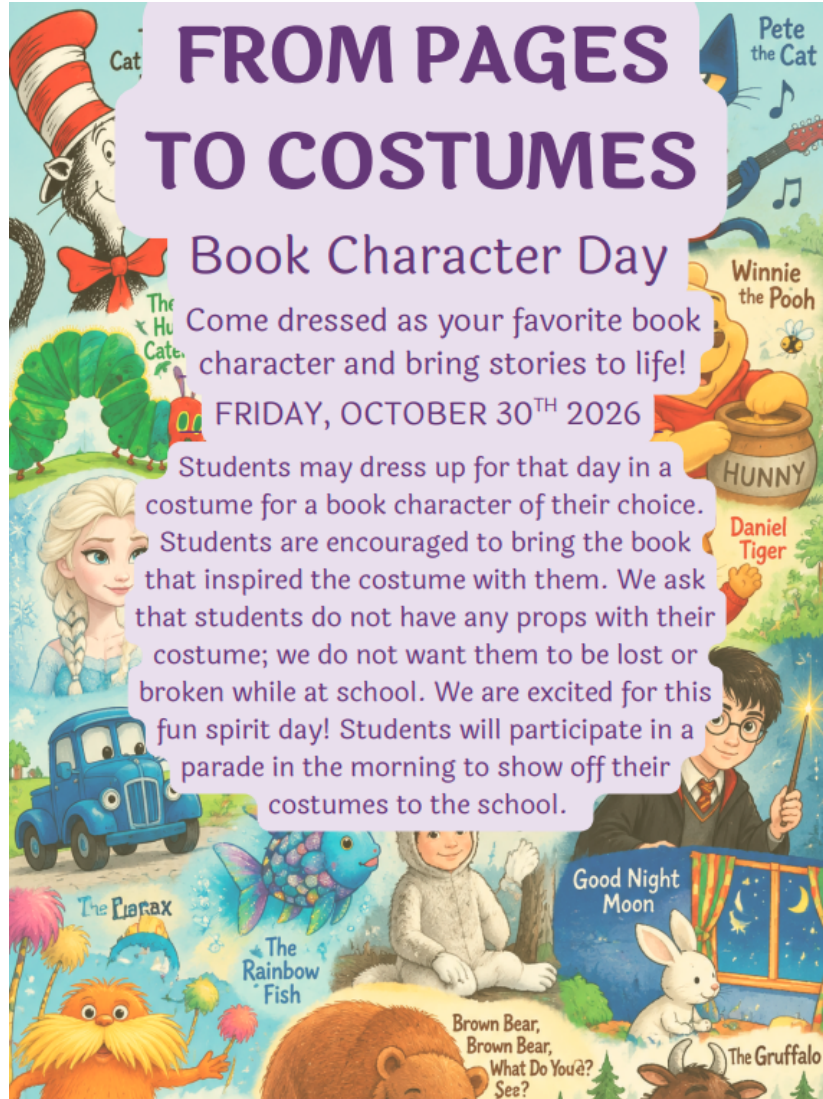
- 10/29 McGraw Autumn Showcase 5:30p-6:30p/ Book Fair 5:00p-7:00p
- 10/30 Book Character Day - (See flyer below)
- 10/30 All-School Share
- 11/2 Picture Re-Take Day
- 11/11 No School - Veterans' Day
- 11/17, 11/23/11/24 Parent/Teacher Conferences (More info coming soon)
- 11/25-11/27 No School - Thanksgiving Holiday



Autumn Showcase/ Scholastic Book Fair



McGraw Book Character Day



Planned Absence Notification Form

If your child is going to miss 3 or more days, a planned absence notification form is needed.

A planned absence notification form must be completed and turned into the McGraw office at least 5 days prior to the absence. This form notifies the school of an absence and whether or not it qualifies as an excused or unexcused absence.

Please note: All absences are included in the total number of days absent as defined by the attendance policy and may lead to your child being considered chronically absent.

Spirit Wear

We wear PURPLE and McGraw Gear on our All-School Share days!

If you're looking for McGraw Gear, go to our local vendor, Goodwin Glass & Graphics!

<https://www.goodwinglassandgraphics.com/product-category/mcgraw/>

Plan Ahead 2026-2027



RSU 22 greatly values instructional time, and our students benefit from consistent attendance. When looking ahead to the 26-27 school year, please consider these dates when planning holidays, appointments, and vacations.

HOLIDAYS & IN-SERVICE DAYS	VACATIONS
LABOR DAY	THANKSGIVING
NO SCHOOL MONDAY, 9/7/26	EARLY DISMISSAL TUESDAY, 11/24/26
INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY	NO SCHOOL 11/25 - 11/27/26
EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, 10/9/26	WINTER BREAK
NO SCHOOL MONDAY, 10/12/26	NO SCHOOL 12/23/26 - 1/1/27
VETERANS' DAY	FEBRUARY BREAK
NO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY, 11/11/26	EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, 2/12/27
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	NO SCHOOL 2/15-2/19/27
NO SCHOOL MONDAY, 1/18/27	APRIL BREAK
IN-SERVICE DAY - NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, 3/12/26	EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, 4/16/27
MEMORIAL DAY	NO SCHOOL 4/19-4/23/27
EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, 5/28/27	EARLY DISMISSAL & TENTATIVE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FRIDAY, 6/11/27
NO SCHOOL MONDAY, 5/31/27	

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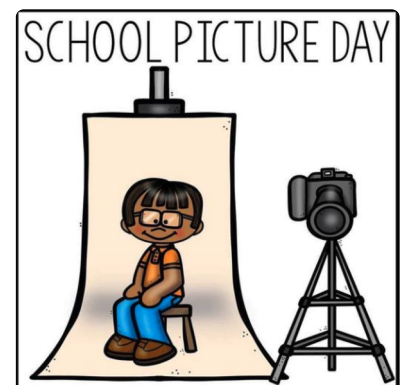
OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 	28 	29 	30	1 E	2 F	3
4	5 A	6 B	7 C	8 D	9 Early Dismissal Day at 12:05pm	10
11 	12 NO SCHOOL! In Observance of Indigenous People's Day	13 E	14 F	15 A	16 B	17
18 	19 C	20 D	21 E	22 F	23 A	24
25 	26 B	27 C	28 D	29 E	30 F	31

OCTOBER		EARL MCGRAW - GEO. WEATHERBEE		2026	
BREAKFAST					
Includes Juice, Milk, Cereal, Fruit, Grains, & More. Each day of the week has a feature that rotates monthly.					
Pancakes	Fresh Baked Muffins	Breakfast Sandwich	French Toast Sticks	Donuts	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
LUNCH					
Includes Milk, Fruit, and Salad Bar each day. Check the cafeteria menu board for Chef's Specials and Peanut Butter & Jelly Meal.					
SALAD & FRUIT BAR Offered at Lunch Every Day 	MAINE APPLE CRUNCH DAY On Wed Oct 14 we will be celebrating with students from across the state by crunching down on a local apple at noon to make one big CRUNCH! 		1 Chicken Burger <i>Crispy chicken on a whole grain bun with toppings</i> Smiley Fries	2 Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni 	
5	6	7	8	9	
Cheesy Breadstick Dippers <i>Savory baked whole grain sticks with Tomato Marinara Dipping Sauce</i>	Chicken Nuggets <i>with Dipping Sauces</i> Goldfish Crackers	Hamburger <i>USDA Beef Patty on a whole grain bun with choice of American Cheese and toppings</i> French Fries	Grilled Cheese <i>Savory sandwich with American Cheese on whole wheat bread</i> Tomato Soup	Early Dismissal Snack Pack <i>Muffin, Cheese Stick, Apple Baby Carrots, Milk & a special treat</i>	
12	13	APPLE CRUNCH DAY	15	16	
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY  NO SCHOOL	Vanilla Yogurt Parfait <i>with Maine Blueberries, Strawberries, & Granola</i> Cereal	Hot Dog <i>Steamed frankfurter in a toasted bun</i> Roasted Potatoes	Nachos <i>Crispy tortilla chips topped with seasoned beef, cheese, and choice of south border toppings</i>	Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni 	
19	20	21	22	23	
Marinara Meatballs <i>Italian meatballs in tomato marinara sauce</i> Mozzarella Cheese Garlic Breadstick	Crispy Chicken Drumstick <i>Seasoned and roasted</i> Emoji Waffles Maple Syrup	Macaroni & Cheese <i>Classic 3 cheese pasta</i> Dinner Roll	Cheesy Flatbread <i>with Chicken Caesar Salad</i> 	Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni 	
26	27	28	29	30	
Popcorn Chicken <i>with Dipping Sauces</i> BLT Pasta Salad	French Toast Sticks <i>Baked whole grain french toast served with syrup, Maine Blueberries, and Sausage</i>	Walking Tacos <i>Served with seasoned beef, cheese, salsa, and toppings</i>	Cheesy Pasta Bake <i>with Italian cheese, tomato marinara sauce, herbs, and spices</i> Garlic Knot	Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni Halloween Treat	
Menu Subject to Change. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.					

Picture Re-take Day

Picture re-take day will take place on Monday, November 2. Please send your picture package that you don't want in with your child to return to LifeTouch on November 2. Pictures can be ordered online at mylifetouch.com.



Arrival and Dismissal

McGraw and Weatherbee Arrival/Dismissal Video

Please watch this video outlining drop-off and pick-up procedures for McGraw and Weatherbee schools.

https://youtu.be/F_D02rrbfNE



Health Tips and Information from Nurse Adams

Halloween Treat Reminder

In order to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all of our staff and students unsolicited food items will not be allowed at McGraw. Any food items (aside from a healthy daily snack and home lunch) will be held in the office until a parent/guardian can pick them up.



Please do not send Halloween treats in with your students to consume or to share with their classmates.

If you have any health related questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to me via phone at (207) 862-3830 or by email at nadams@rsu22.us. We appreciate your assistance in maintaining a healthy and safe learning environment!

Natasha Adams, BSN, RN, NCSN

McGraw School Nurse

McGraw PTO Happenings

Are you an approved volunteer? Can you help at lunch time? Sign up here...

WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE MCGRAW PTO



JOIN OUR FACEBOOK
TO STAY INFORMED!

**OCT
29**

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 5-7PM

OUR FALL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR WILL BE OPEN BEFORE AND AFTER OUR FAMILY EVENT THIS YEAR TO HELP REDUCE THE LINES!

**OCT 23-
NOV 13**

MEADOW FARMS FUNDRAISER

SHOP THE CATALOG FILLED WITH LOTS OF GREAT PRODUCTS! EVERY PURCHASE HELPS SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND CAN EARN PRIZES!

**NOV
9**

NOVEMBER PTO MEETING 6-7PM IN THE LIBRARY

WE WILL CHAT ABOUT THE FUN EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WE HAVE PLANNED FOR THE WINTER AND SPRING! COME SEE HOW YOU CAN HELP.

**DEC
14**

DECEMBER PTO MEETING 6-7PM IN THE LIBRARY

HELP US FINALIZE PLANS FOR EVENTS LIKE THE NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM! CHILDCARE IS PROVIDED!

**JAN
15**

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM 5:30-7:30PM

WE HAVE RENTED THE BANGOR CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SO FAMILIES CAN COME PLAY FOR FREE! MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW.

CLYNK FUNDRAISER

This is ongoing for 2026-2027 school year!

EMAIL US! MCGRAWPTO@GMAIL.COM OR SEND A MESSAGE TO OUR FB GROUP

1. PROVIDE US YOUR ***CHILD'S NAME,*** TEACHERS NAME AND ***HOW MANY BAGS***
2. WE PROVIDE BAGS WITH THE LABELS OR IF YOU JUST NEED LABELS THAT WORKS TOO!! JUST LET US KNOW
3. DROP OFF AT ANY HANNAFORD CLYNK KIOSK, JUST SCAN THE LABEL AND DONE!

ALREADY HAVE A CLYNK ACCOUNT!!

NO WORRIES YOU CAN DONATE!

1. LOGIN AND CLICK "DONATIONS"
2. TYPE MCGRAWPTO IN SEARCH
3. CHOOSE HOW MUCH YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE

THANK YOU
FOR HELPING THE
KIDS AND TEACHERS



GET INVOLVED WITH THE McGRAW PTO!

Together, we make our school even better.

Parents, grandparents, caregivers & friends — we need YOU!

Join us for a great year of supporting McGraw students, staff, and families.

PTO MEETINGS

We meet the 2nd Monday of every month

FIRST MEETING: SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 • 6:00 PM

WHAT YOUR PTO ACCOMPLISHED LAST YEAR



700+
BOOKS DONATED
to McGraw students and staff



23
EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS
bringing our school community together



\$8,000+
RAISED FOR McGRAW
to support our school and students

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU IN THE McGRAW PTO!

Whether you have an hour to give or want to help all year long, every hand makes a difference.



JOIN OUR PTO FACEBOOK PAGE

Scan to connect, stay informed,
and see what's happening!



**SIGN UP TO BE A
LUNCH-TIME VOLUNTEER!**

Scan the code to get involved!

WE ARE McGRAW • WE ARE COMMUNITY • WE ARE PTO
THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Community Folder

RSU 22 FAMILY RESOURCE NIGHT

Open Doors

Support for your family today, pathways for your student beyond the school doors.



THURSDAY

**October
22**

TIME

**4–6
PM**

LOCATION

**Hampden
Academy**

89 Western Avenue, Hampden, ME 04444

Two Featured Presentations

Attend one, both, or just gather resources!

4:15–4:45 PM

**Behavioral Health Home Case
Management**

Resources to support your whole family

PRESENTED BY
PENQUIS



5:00–5:45 PM

Transition to Adulthood

Services available for students beyond high school

PRESENTED BY UCP OF
MAINE



Visit Agency Resource Tables

Agencies from Penobscot & Waldo County will have tables open all evening, even during the presentations. Stop by to ask questions and take home helpful information and materials on:

 **Behavioral Health
Professionals**

 **Mental Health
Providers**

 **Case Management**

 **Guardianship**

 **Vocational
Rehabilitation**

 **Adult Services**

FREE All families & students
welcome!

Questions? Contact the
Office of Special Services • 862-2774

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Principal Shaw

Principal Shaw is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters