

Eagle Update

SeDoMoCha Middle School
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FROM PRINCIPAL KIMBALL:

I am writing to let you all know that I am leaving my position of PreK-8 principal of SeDoMoCha Elementary and Middle Schools effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. I have taken the job of school principal in Norridgewock. The RSU 68 community has been a very important part of my life for the last fourteen years. I will miss our incredible students, dedicated educators and amazing families. My hope is that you will always know how important you are to the success of the district.

As I move forward to new endeavors, I wanted to take a moment to say thank you for the amazing opportunities I have been afforded since being a part of our school communities. You have supported my personal and professional growth and for that I will be forever grateful.

Here are the events in the upcoming weeks that have been scheduled for our SeDoMoCha Middle School students:

June 7 th	Grade 7 field trip
June 8 th	Grade 8 field trip
June 11 th	Grade 8 students at FA for the whole day
Please note: Students will not be at SeDoMoCha at all on this day.	
June 14 th	Grade 6 to Center Theater in the morning Grade 5-8 Academic Awards at 1:00 p.m.

Families of students receiving awards will receive a phone call invitation on June 11th or 12th.

June 15th Last day of school-D dismissal at 11:30 a.m.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact teachers, Mr. Dyer, or myself with questions or concerns that may arise. When we work together, students will continue to have a great year!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/15 Last day of school
Early release 11:30 a.m.
- 6/19 School Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

SSO NEWS...

Please come check out a freshly revamped event for the mother - son event. The Son-dae Fun Day is Friday June 1st 5:30-7:30 in the multipurpose room and out back where you can take part in fun and games and ice cream sundaes. Sons are welcome to bring any special adult in their life and admission is by donation. More information can be found on our facebook page.

The Ice Cream Social for the entire school is on June 11 (rain date on the 12th). Contact our FB page or sso@sedomocha.org if you would like to help serve ice cream sundaes to the Sedo students. This is always a favorite event for students and SSO volunteers.

Stay tuned over the summer for information on a welcome back cookout social in combination with the music boosters on Sept 19th. We hope you will consider stopping in to say hello.

Have a great and safe summer!

Nurse Notes...

If your child has any medication at school, please contact us to arrange a time to pick the medication by the last day of school, June 15th. Any medication left behind will be disposed of.

If your child plans to participate in fall sports, they need to have a sports physical on file before they can try out. Sports physicals need to be done every 2 years unless the doctor states it is only good for 1 year.

All incoming 7th graders are required by the State of Maine to have one dose of Tdap vaccine and one dose of Meningococcal MCV4 vaccine. They must be vaccinated prior to entry for the 2018-2019 school year. Please have their doctor's office send proof of vaccination to school by fax, 564-6531. If you wish to opt out of the new requirements, a vaccination waiver must be signed each new school year.

FROM THE 5TH GRADE:

Science: Our final Science Unit for the year is our Rock Unit. We have learned about Earth's Structure and will spend time exploring the effects of Erosion and the formation and properties of rocks. We are finishing up the DARE Unit with a final writing assignment followed by our DARE Graduation Ceremony and Party on June 8. Parents are encouraged to join us on Friday, June 8 at 8:30AM for our Graduation Ceremony where students will receive certificates and 4 essay contest winners will read their DARE essays aloud. We hope many families will be able to be in attendance.

Math: In 5th grade math we are finishing out the year with multiplying and dividing with fractions. The students have learned a lot about fractions including percent, decimal and fraction equivalence, as well as how to change improper fractions to mixed numbers and mixed numbers to improper fractions. The students have worked hard this year and I am extremely proud of them. Please continue to study multiplication facts over the summer! Thank you for a wonderful school year and enjoy the summer!

Social Studies: In fifth grade social studies, students are finishing up the year by creating a project of their choice over the 13 colonies. The students have worked very hard this year! Have a great summer!

ELA: We have had a wonderful year! I have enjoyed reading and writing with your children. We will end the year by writing a 5th grade memoir. I look forward to hearing these stories. Please continue to read with your child. Sharing a book under the shade of a tree is a memory you will cherish when they are grown. Thank you for all your support this year!

FROM THE 6TH GRADE:

Science: Students have successfully completed their missions at Challenger Learning Center. On these missions, students demonstrated exceptional teamwork and communication skills as they located a new long period comet and built a probe to send out and sample it. Each group experienced different challenges but in the end, they prevailed. In science class, we will be completing some post-mission activities that includes designing a uniform patch that represents our school's missions and the chosen design will be sent to CLC to be put on display.

Math: We have finished our geometry unit. We took a two day test over the entire unit. Retakes will be open till grades close. We will now look back on all the units that we have done this year, and the students will choose one that they feel they have not mastered and do a project of their choice over it.

Social Studies: Students are presenting their Essays, Slide Shows, and Virtual Tours based from research conducted on two countries. One country is from Africa the other Asia, this is the last grade for the year. Have a great summer!

ELA: We completed our reading of *Freak the Mighty* this week. Students should complete their individual social issues book prior to Monday, 6/4. On Monday and Tuesday, students will be writing a comparative essay examining the social issues present and how the characters persevere in both *Freak the Mighty* and their individual social issues text. On Thursday, 6/14 we will be visiting the Center Theatre to view the movie adaptation *The Mighty*. Please make sure all permission slips are returned as soon as possible.

FROM THE 7TH GRADE:

ELA: I can't believe the school year is almost over. I have enjoyed working with the 7th-grade students, and I am impressed with the growth each student has demonstrated this year. We are finishing *The Lightning Thief* unit in ELA. Students read the novel and Greek myths that related to the novel, took a comprehension quiz, and wrote an essay comparing the book to the movie. We will finish the unit with students acting out Reader's Theater plays that are based on Greek myths. All late work and upgrades are due by 6/5. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at tdever@sedomocha.org.

Math: Students spent this week finishing up a data analysis project. Projects were presented on Friday and are a major summative grade for this last quarter. We will spend the rest of the school year working on probability. Students will investigate the difference between theoretical and experimental probability. Students will learn to determine the probability of single and complex events. If time allows, students will create probability based games to share with other classes. Please check Web2school and get in all late work by June 8th.

Science: We will be ending our year in science by discovering our very own alien species! Students will be exhibiting their knowledge of biology through this alien species; they will be discussing fossil evidence, body system functions, and traits during this project.

Social Studies: Students are in the final stages of completing their Athens vs. Sparta essays. These essays will be due on Monday at the end of class, and will be the final major assignment in SS for this year.

FROM THE 8TH GRADE:

ELA- Students have wrapped up their argumentative essays and we have now moved onto poetry. Students will be learning about figurative language as well as working with a selected poem to recite. We will also take a couple of opportunities to write some of our own poetry to end the year.

Math- Pre-algebra students have started learning about linear functions and will be doing a project involving their favorite thing: cell phones! Algebra students are finishing up with their marketing project and will be doing the same linear functions project to close out the year.

Social Studies- We are learning about the world politics that led to the Cold War tensions of the 1950s. In preparation for Fifties Day on June 13th, we are exploring the society of 1950s America, including gender expectations. We've also started to learn several of the more popular dances of the fifties so the Sock Hop will be hoppin'! Students have been given some tips about how to pull off looking like a 1950s teenager for Fifties Day. Please: no greasers- SeDoMoCha is a respectable school!

Science- Grade eight students have started our final unit, anatomy and physiology! Students are getting a taste for dissection; we started with sheep eyes, and then we will move onto fetal pigs! Being our last unit, students are expected to use all of their lab safety skills they learned this year, as well as preparatory lab functions.

FIELD TRIP NEWS: We are all set for the field trip to Boston on Friday, June 8th. Please look over the "final details" letter given to your child this past Thursday. It is especially important to read over the section about any medications sent with your child for the day. Students should be at SeDoMoCha at 4:00 a.m. on Friday, the 8th; we leave at 4:20 a.m. for our day of fun. If you have any questions after reading the final details letter, please contact your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible.

"What's on the Menu?"

4	5	6	7	8
Hot Dog Baked Beans Peaches	BBQ Pork w/Bun Broccoli Pineapple	Toasted Ham & Cheese Carrots Banana	Chicken Nuggets Smiley Fries Roll Oranges	Pizza Cucumber Grapes
11	12	13	14	15
Boneless Chicken Roll Cheese Potato Pears	Meatball Sub Chick Peas Mixed Fruit	Turkey & Cheese Wrap Broccoli Kiwi	Pizza Sticks Dipping Sauce Cucumber Apple	Early Release Ham & Cheese Sandwich Carrots Craisins

All meals include fresh fruits, whole grains, skim/lowfat milk, 0 trans fat & low sodium & sugar