MILLER SCHOOL

February 17, 2023

February's Character Trait--- Friendship

Important Dates

February 20-24: No School- Winter Break

March 8: Early Release, 1:10

March 17: Trimester 2 Ends

April 5: Early Release, 1:10

April 17-21: No School- April Break

Parent Reminder

If you need to make changes to your child(ren)'s end-of-day plans, please call the office @ 832-2103 before 2:30. This is for safety purposes and for getting your child(ren) to their correct destination.

Thank you,
Miller Office Staff

From the Principal's Desk

School and district leaders have begun the long and arduous process of developing a budget for Fiscal Year 23-24. We consider state mandates, student and staff needs, as well as community desires and concerns. School administrators and district directors have developed preliminary budgets and are currently meeting with the Superintendent and Business Manager to discuss our individual budgets and explain the details.

Steve Nolan, RSU40 Superintendent, will present a budget overview on Thursday, March 2 at the regular Board meeting at 7:00 pm, and meetings of the Budget Committee of the RSU40 Board will begin on Monday, March 6 from 6:30 – 9:00 pm at the Central Office in Union with presentations by the elementary school principals. Additional budget meetings will be held on the following Mondays in March with presentations by other principals and program directors. These meetings will be available in person or virtually, and the public is encouraged to attend. All budget documents will be posted on the RSU40 website (https://rsu40.org/budget/) as soon as they are available. Please be involved in this process as early as possible to ensure your voice is heard.

If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming school budget, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at 832-2103 or email at julia_levensaler@msad40.org.

Spirit Week

February 27-March 3rd

We have aligned each day in Spirit Week around the theme of a Dr. Seuss book in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday March 2nd.

Monday- Wear Green
"Green Eggs and Ham"
Tuesday- Wear Crazy Socks
"Fox in Socks"
Wednesday- Mismatch Day
"Wacky Wednesday"
Thursday- Hat Day
"Cat in the Hat"
Friday- Dress what you want to be when you grow up
"Oh, the Places You'll Go!"

Dr. Seuss Food Service Week

**Once again, food service will celebrate Dr. Seuss week!
There will be lots of fun food and an art contest.
This year, the theme is "The Lorax: My Forest".**

Please show us your idea of what the Lorax forest looks like. Please use paper no bigger than 2 feet by 3 feet. Any medium can be used such as markers, crayons, glitter, paint, etc.

**Please do <u>YOUR</u> best work. There will be 3 winners.
Please have your works of art to the kitchen
no later than Wednesday, March 1st.
All works of art will be posted on the wall.**

Miller School Grades K-2
Student Art Show

Come join us for the opening of the 2023 K-2 Miller School Student Art Show at the Waldo Theatre! There will be work from about 130 students on display in a variety of mediums and art techniques.

@ The Waldo Theatre
916 Main Street, Waldoboro, ME 04572

Art Show Opening:
March 9th, 2023
5:00-6:30
Show dates: 3/6-3/17
Light refreshments will be available

Miller School Family Dance

Who- Miller School Students and their Parent/Guardian
This is a family dance! All students must be accompanied by an adult.

When- March 10, 2023 5:30-7:00

Entrance Fee- $10 for a party of 2
$15 for a party of 3
$20 for a party of 4 or more
This includes 1 slice of pizza and water
Additional pizza can be purchased for 2.00 a slice

Tickets should be purchased in advance by returning this form so we can have a headcount for pizza

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return the bottom half to the office with the payment

Student Name(s):_____

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My family will be attending with a party of (circle one) 2 3 4+

Total amount Paid: _____

Song Request:_____

ArtLab

FEBRUARY VACATION WEEK

Monday – Thursday, February 20-23
10:00am – 12:00pm

Drop-in for one or all four days our February vacation week art making sessions, led by teaching artist Rachel Alexandrou. Using wild foraged materials and paper from old books we will bend, weave, and fold small sculptures inspired by artworks on view by Rebecca Hutchinson.

Photography Policy: By participating in ArtLab programming, I understand my child or myself may be photographed by CMCA staff for general documentation and publicity. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

CMCA
CENTER FOR MAINE CONTEMPORARY ART
21 Winter Street, Rockland, Maine

FREE!

JUST A FEW SPOTS LEFT!

Wintry Waters School Vacation Adventures

February 22, 2023 from 9am - 3pm

Students Grades 3-5 | $60 per child | Snack Provided

register at herringgut.org

Who said visiting the beach is a summertime activity? Come explore our watershed this winter! In this 1-day program, students will be able to explore the coastal ecosystem, participate in hands-on activities, discover why the ocean doesn't freeze, and learn how animals survive winter on the coast.

Winter Open House

February 23, 2023 from 10am - 3pm

All ages welcome. No registration required.

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Stop by for touchtank exploration and a hands-on activity

HERRING GUT

COASTAL SCIENCE CENTER

59 FACTORY ROAD · PO BOX 286
PORT CLYDE, MAINE 04855
WWW.HERRINGGUT.ORG
207.372.8677

1-hour session of science, movement and art for ages 3-5 !
1:00 - 2:00 PM

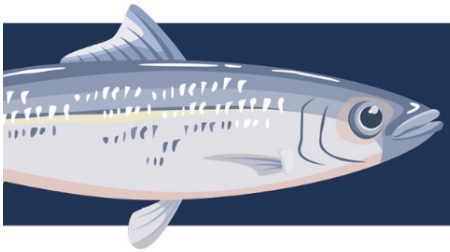
AQUATOTS

Marine Science for Mini Biologists

2023 PROGRAMS SAVE-THE-DATES

February 23rd - Horseshoe Crabs
March 16th - Fish
April 20th - Lobsters
May 25th - Oysters, Clams & Mussels
June 22nd - Moon Snails

$10 per family.
Register Today
herringgut.org
Invite friends to join in the fun!



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Arts for RSU #40

Informational Meeting- March 9th, 5:30-6:30
@ Medomak Middle School (Art Room)

Looking for an opportunity to get involved or making arts opportunities more accessible to students in RSU 40? So are we! We are looking to jump start a community-based arts committee to spearhead several opportunities to do just that. We have a unique community in this district with lots of experience and resources in the areas we are looking to promote.

If you are interested in being involved (there are lots of different ways to do so!), please join us for an open forum meeting to discuss ideas and resources.

We are looking for more ideas, but several possible opportunities to participate include:

Organizing/ helping to set up art shows -Volunteering in art roomsFundraising (including organizing events, identifying possible donors (monetary and material), and setting up treasurer position)Helping to organize and facilitate Artist residencies/ workshops/ performances/ presentations/other arts-based programs Promotion (including social media, digital calendar) AdvocationFinding local resources (including free and reduced cost art materials (natural and man-made)) Developing roles, goals, and vision for community arts committee Helping to facilitate school based teams

Please join us March 9th at 5:30-6:30. We look forward to collaborating with you!

RSU 40 District Art Teachers

Softball Pitching Clinics

Who: **Grades 3-8**
Where: **Medomak Valley High School**
When: **February 26, March 5, and March 12 from 4-5:30**
Cost: FREE

Bring: **Catcher's mitt**

No sign up needed
Coach Vannah

February Flowers for Miller School

GIVE BACK THIS MONTH!

When you buy a
Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet
with a red circle sticker at
our Hannaford location this month,
we get a $1 donation!

Learn more at
hannaford.bloomin4good.com

Hannaford

If your child is running a fever, they must be fever-free and med-free for <u>24 hours</u> before they can return to school.

Our school district has partnered with
Tooth Protectors, Inc.
to offer preventative dental care here at school to students

When:
During the month of February and March
(Date to be announced)

For Who:
Services are available for students with or without dental insurance.

Cost:
Services are FREE to those with active MaineCare Insurance
Fees available for self-pay patients
Tooth Protectors can bill other dental insurances

Tooth Protectors currently do not accept the following insurances:
Harvard Pilgrim, Humana and Martins Point

If you would like your child to receive this dental service, please complete and sign the Tooth Protectors Dental Permission Form, one per child, and return to the school as soon as possible

There are also Tooth Protectors Permission Forms in your child's school's Main Office.

Sign up today to help keep your child smiling!

Attn: Parents and Guardians of Grade 6 Students

For students entering grade 7 next fall 2023, proof of the following immunizations need to be sent in to the RSU 40 District Health Office:

Meningococcal Vaccine #1 & Tdap Booster

(These should be done, when medically appropriate, during the 6th grade)

Please send documentation of the above vaccinations, signed by the physician, to the RSU 40 District Health Office as soon as possible to:

RSU 40
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES PO Box 701
Union, Maine 04862

Or faxed to us at: 207-785-3124 Attn: Nancy Vannah, District Health Secretary

If you have questions regarding the above vaccine requirements, please contact the Maine Immunization Program at (207) 287-3746 or (800) 867-4775 or by email at Immunize.DHHS@maine.gov.

SAVE THE DATE!! - ONLINE SAFETY PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS

Keeping our kids safe online is the topic of a presentation by Detective Joseph Royle of the Maine State Police Special Investigations & Computer Crimes Unit. Det. Royle will present to MSAD 40 parents about current issues affecting children today regarding Smartphones, Cyberbullying, Sexting and Sextortion, Gaming, Online Enticement, Live Streaming, Peer-to-Peer and Social Media.

Join us in the ***MVHS Auditorium at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, March 14th*** for the Parent Presentation of *"What's Going ON-line?* Learn about the current trends, how parents can identify issues, tips 'n' tricks, and how parents can protect children in this connected world. This presentation is approximately 2 hours long. Det. Royle will be presenting age appropriate assemblies to our 7th through 10th grade students in 2 separate presentations on Wednesday, March 15th.

Click the article link that follows to read more about Det. Royale. NewCenter Article

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Jones, MMS School Counselor at melissa_jones@msad40.org or call 207-832-5028, ext 211.

THE WALDO

Celebrating Arts & Culture • Building Community

AFTER SCHOOL ACTING CLASSES
Winter/Spring 2023

KINDERGARTEN
Magic Suitcase: Into the Wild!

Where will the suitcase take us today? Get ready for an adventure full of imagination! Each week, our magic suitcase will reveal a mystery object that will launch us into a fun-filled journey full of movement, creative problem-solving, and imaginative play.

Together we will explore stories, visual art, and music that coordinates with the destination of the day. Friends and Family are invited to join us for a sharing during the last class.

Thursdays, 3:45-4:45 PM, 3/2 - 5/25 (no class Apr 20th)
Teacher: Mia Branco | Class Fee: $240*

GRADES 1 - 3
Creative Drama: Create a Character

Heroes, villains, and wizards - Oh my! Using familiar stories, we will explore what it takes to make a compelling character and understand what drives characters forward in a story.

With the actor's tools of body, voice, mind, and imagination we will transform into fun, theatrical characters, culminating in creating original characters to be shared with invited family and friends during a culminating performance at the last class.

Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45 PM, 2/28 - 5/23 (no class Apr 18th)
Teacher: Mia Branco | Class Fee: $240*

GRADES 4 - 6 | SECTION 1
Actors Toolbox: Scene Study

Put your acting skills to the test! Students will build on the foundational concepts of acting as they dive into scene work that will develop physical control and focus on creating sustainable and believable characters, moments, and truthful actions for the stage.

Through games and activities, students will create an ensemble with one another in order to construct an environment where they can effectively explore scenes, make bold choices, and take risks! The class will culminate with a performance for invited family and friends on the last day.

Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00 PM, 2/28 - 5/23 (no class Apr 18th)
Teacher: Mia Branco | Class Fee: $240*

GRADES 4 - 6 | SECTION 2
Actors Toolbox: FUNdamentals of Acting

A fun and physical introduction to the fundamental building blocks of acting. Young actors will bring characters to life while exploring and developing the four tools of body, voice, mind, and imagination.

Through engaging and creative games, students will learn the importance of clear physical and vocal choices in developing a believable character, while scene study and improvisation foster collaboration, concentration, and imagination.

The class will culminate with a performance for invited family and friends on the last day.

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 PM, 3/1 - 5/24 (no class on Apr 19th)
Teacher: Teralyn Reiter | Class Fee: $240*

GRADES 7 - 12
The Actor's Studio: Audition Essentials

Move deeper into developing your craft as an Actor! Burgeoning actors in Grades 7 and up will develop a strong foundation of monologues, scenes, and audition techniques. Through monologue work and imaginative challenges, actors will develop compelling characters, and then apply those skills to scene work. Following this deep dive into character development and creating well-rounded scenes, actors will focus on the do's and don'ts of auditioning. Actors finish the class with a strong piece they can use in their next audition.

The class will culminate with a performance for invited family and friends on the last day.

Wednesdays, 5:15-6:30 PM, 3/1 - 5/24 (no class on Apr 19th)
Teacher: Teralyn Reiter | Class Fee: $300*

All after-school classes are 12 weeks long and held at The Waldo Theatre
(*) Payment plans and scholarships are available
Questions? Email: education@thewaldotheatre.org | Call: (207) 975-6490
Register: https://www.thewaldotheatre.org/youth-education

2 FULL DAYS OF COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!
June 17th & 18th, 2023

Commemorative Opening & Closing Ceremonies ~ Road Race ~ Entertainment ~Dance ~ Live Music ~ Vintage Kids Games ~ Interactive Demonstrations ~ Art Show ~ Local Food Vendors & Restaurant participation ~ Cornhole Tournament ~ Movies @ Waldo Theater ~ Fireworks ~ And More!

We want YOUR business or organization to participate in the parade! The "Welcome Home" themed parade will be Saturday, June 17th at 12noon, starting at the old Sylvannia site on Friendship Rd! Please call Seth Blodgett at 207-542-7095 to sign up!

Want to Sponsor an event or be a Partner? Call Bob Butler at 207-837-1785 to make a donation today! Volunteer opportunities available also!!

Lunch Calendar

20 NO SCHOOL	21 NO SCHOOL	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 NO SCHOOL
27 One Fish Two Fish Fish Sticks / Rice Veg., Fruit, & Milk Or PB & J / Cheese Stick	28 Who Hash Shepherd's Pie Fruit, Milk, Roll Or PB & J / Cheese Stick			

Milk is now **FREE** for students who bring their own lunch

LUNCH

PB & J Sandwiches come with a Cheese Stick

MARCH 2023

Miller School

Vegetable, Fruit and Milk served with every meal
WG = whole grain

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Sneeches Ham Italians Or PB & J Sandwich	2 Poodles of Noodles Spaghetti W / Meatballs Or PB & J Sandwich	3 Cat in the Hat Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Or PB & J Sandwich
6 BBQ Pork Riblet Sandwich w / Pickles Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich	7 Walking Tacos W / All the Fix'ns Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich	8 Chicken & Gravy Over Biscuits Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich	9 Cheese Pizza Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich	10 Cheeseburger & Oven Fries Or Ham & Cheese Sandwich
13 Hot Dogs Baked Beans Or Egg Salad Roll	14 Home-Made Mac & Cheese Or Egg Salad Roll	15 Chicken Cordon Bleu Poppers Or Egg Salad Roll	16 Steak Bomb Quesadilla Chips Or Egg Salad Roll / Chips	17 Cheese or Bacon Pizza Or Egg Salad Roll
20 Chicken Burger Cole-Slaw Or Bologna & Cheese Sandwich	21 Chili Corn Muffin Or Bologna & Cheese Sandwich	22 Hamburger W / Pickles Or Bologna & Cheese Sandwich	23 Cheese or Veggie Pizza Or Bologna & Cheese Sandwich	24 Chicken Salad Wrap Or Bologna & Cheese Sandwich
27 Corn Dog Sweet Potato Fries Or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	28 Chicken Alfredo Over Noodles Or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	29 Sweet & Sour Meatballs Over Rice Or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	30 Chicken Fries Pasta Salad Or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	31 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Or Turkey & Cheese Sandwich

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider"
Menu subject to change according to availability of food.

MY SCHOOL BUCKS PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE MySchoolBucks.com