



# Union Elementary School

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## Dates to Remember

**Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Northern Stars Planetarium  
at UES

**Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

Early Release Day- dismissal  
@ 1:15 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> UES Parent Teacher  
Committee Meeting  
5:30-6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Skiing @ Camden  
Snow Bowl

**February 16-20**

**No School- February Vacation**

**Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Ice Skating @ MRC

**Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

Early Release Day- dismissal  
@ 1:15 p.m.

**Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Skiing @ Camden  
Snow Bowl

**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Trimester 2 Ends**

**Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Workshop Day - No School**

## Weekly Principal Message

Dear Students and Families.

What an action packed week we've had! Fourth grade had their first of three skiing and boarding experiences at the Camden Snow Bowl. Third grade had their third ice skating excursion, and fifth and sixth grade students had their biennial trip to the Gulf of Maine Research Institute in Portland. Students explored the Gulf of Maine ecosystems through hands-on learning - it was epic!

Looking ahead to next week, we have our rescheduled planetarium experience on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> here at Union Elementary and all students will participate in the learning fun. Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> is our monthly early release day as well. School ends at 1:15.

As we conclude January it is worth noting the academic success students are experiencing. The Maine Department of Education recognized our outstanding growth in Reading. The school also grew 17% points on our i-Ready math diagnostic, which aligns with our NWEA growth as well! 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade math and reading NWEAs produced both high growth and high achievement, leading the school.

We have a lot to be proud of socially and academically here at UES. We hope to see those who are able and interested at our first Parent Teacher Committee (PTC) meeting on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 to help shape the vision of UES engagement.

Wishing everyone a warmer weekend. We are excited to return to outside recess next week as temperatures warm back up.

In partnership,

Dr. Rankin, Principal

## Students recognized for positive behaviors!

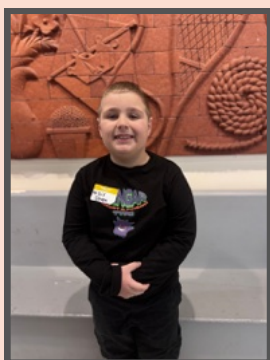
Our PBIS monthly theme for January is Honesty/Trust - I will be truthful and trustworthy. Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

**Pre K - Evelyn Wood & Gemma Tracey**  
**Kindergarten - Violet Perkins & Karter Pushard**  
**1st Grade - Xavier Pushard & Brayson Gamage**  
**2nd Grade - Kirill Searles & Lucas Small**  
**3rd Grade - Malachi Calderwood & Ryker Skidgel**  
**4th Grade - Charlie Ward & Bailey Robinson**  
**5th Grade - Hanah Thompson & Aaliyah Stanton**  
**6th Grade - Brayden Bendtson & Emma Heald**

## Super Citizens



## Student Feature: Steven Manning 2nd Grade



**I like UES because** I really like playing our math games. They are epic! We get to see and learn all new things.

**My favorite books include:** on Epic, I like Master Hampster

**My favorite show to watch:** Unspeakables are hilarious videos. They do real life pranks!

**My favorite singer is:** I listen to music on my tablet.

**My favorite food is:** fish sticks at school and lasagna at home

**My hobbies include:** I like art like water colors and clay structures. One time I made a school bus!

**When I grow up I want to be:** a Youtuber!

**If I could live anywhere I would live:** a city with a bullet train and rails attached to a roof.

## Free Winter Coats



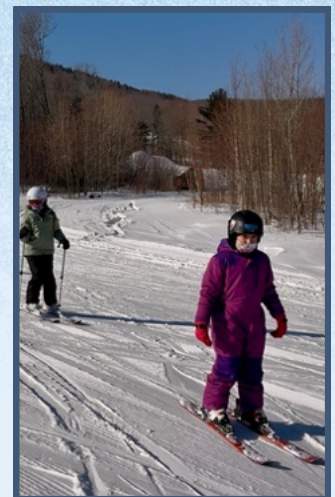
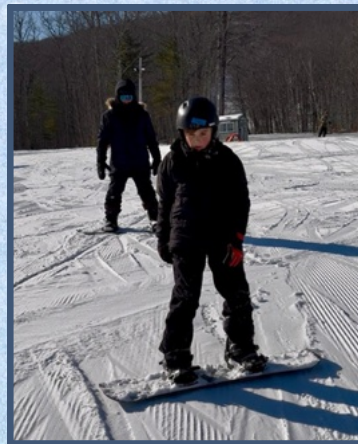
We have had a donation of new winter coats! If you would like one for your child, please contact Mrs. Davis in the office. We have a total of 12 coats so let us know ASAP if you would like one. Thank you to Maine Water Company for the donation!



# 4th Grade Learn to Ski Program



# At the Camden Snow Bowl





# UES PTC MEETING

**Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30-6:30 p.m.**

**All parents and guardians are  
welcome to attend!**

