

Union Elementary School

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February 27, 2026

Dates to Remember

March 2-6

Dr. Seuss Week @ UES

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

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

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Friday, March 6th

4th Grade Skiing @ Camden
Snow Bowl

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

UES PTC Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.  
All parents welcome!

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Thursday, March 12th

Trimester 2 Ends
4th Grade Skiing @ Camden
Snow Bowl

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

Workshop Day - No School  
(Stay tuned as this may turn into  
a regular school day)

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Friday, March 20th

Trimester 2 Assembly 2:15 p.m.

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

Author Visit Grades 3-6

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Thursday, March 26th

Author Visit Grades PK-2

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**Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

Family Movie Night @ UES  
6:00 p.m.

## Weekly Principal Message

Dear Students and Families,

What an interesting week back after winter break! Between the snow day, delayed start and early release we still were able to dive into learning as we get back into our instructional routines.

This upcoming week is Read Across America week where we work to foster a love of reading by dressing up in theme each day and welcoming a series of guest readers to school. We have some pretty special readers coming, too! Wednesday is an early release day as well. Next week fourth grade will return to the slopes at Camden Snow Bowl as one of two more skiing and boarding experiences this year.

This week we had a few cars pass by our buses with stop signs out and lights on while loading students for dismissal. This is an easy mistake, but an avoidable one. Please help us ensure the safety of all students by not passing the buses in the pickup line unless specifically waived on. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe!

Thank you to those who were able to come out to our sledding party the Friday before break! We look forward to doing it again next year.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and safe weekend,

Dr. Rankin

## Students recognized for positive behaviors!

Our PBIS monthly theme for February is Friendship - I will be a good friend to others.

Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

Pre K - Anastasia Callahan & Telos Paquin-Cofski  
Kindergarten - Isaac Lorentzen & Jackson Newman  
1st Grade - Olivia Burns & Zoe Brown  
2nd Grade - Rinny Ilvonen & Michael Lemoi  
3rd Grade - Tegen Bernardo & Gloria Grubb  
4th Grade - Lauren Burns & Taavi Ilvonen  
5th Grade - Philip Jura & Everitt Williams  
6th Grade - Eli Wood & Brooklyn Moody

## Super Citizens



*friendship*

## Student Feature: Jason Corbett 3rd Grade



**I like UES because** it has a ginormous gym & a quick school day! I like library and music time.

**My favorite books include:** I like that we have a book fair every year. I like books about animals.

**My favorite show to watch:** I like to watch hockey, football, basketball and all the sports.

**My favorite singers include:** Hip hop is my favorite & NBA Youngboy is my favorite artist.

**My favorite food is:** steak!

**My hobbies include:** Nerf gun wars and turbo sledding.

**When I grow up I want to be:** a rapper

**My pet peeve is:** when people say things over and over again and won't stop!

**If I could live anywhere I would live:** in Japan...they have really big snow banks!

Donations to



## Pope Memorial Humane Society

We would like to thank the friends and family members who donated to the Pope Memorial Humane Society before break. We were able to collect so many helpful items for the animals at our local shelter. During the month of February, students focus on what it means to be a good friend to someone. So thank you for helping us be a good friend to animals in need!

# Dr. Seuss

## Week

March 2-6

**Monday**  
**Cat in the Hat**

Wear your favorite hat



**Tuesday**  
**Fox in Socks**

Wear crazy socks



**Wednesday**  
**Green Eggs and Ham**

Wear green

**Thursday**

Your favorite Dr. Seuss book  
dress up as your favorite Dr. Seuss character

**Friday**

**Sleep Book**

Wear your favorite pajamas

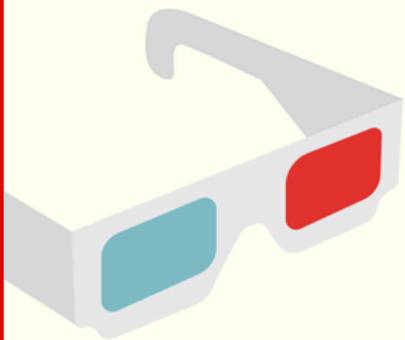
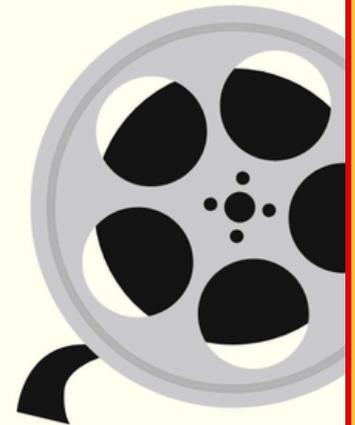




# JOIN US FOR A FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Hosted by the PTC

## MOVIE TO BE VOTED ON BY STUDENTS



## MARCH 27TH IN THE SCHOOL GYM

Doors open at 6 movie starts at 6:15  
Small concessions provided and you  
are welcome to bring your own



### March 14: Owls of Maine

Start:  
End:  
March 14, 2026 10:00 am  
March 14, 2026 11:00 am

A live owl is the highlight of this program, which introduces participants to the owls native to Maine and New England. Using pictures and sounds, participants will learn the identifying characteristics and calls of each owl. Then, using talons, wings, and skulls, we explore the adaptations of these silent nocturnal hunters. This program ends with an intimate and detailed look at live owls, bringing these creatures of the night into the light!

The Owls  
are Coming to Gibbs!

3/14/26 @10am  
in the Bryant Room



### Learn More:

Since 1985, Chewonki has been home to a collection of ambassadors. Birds, reptiles, mammals, and amphibians arrive at our campus with injuries or conditions that prevent their return to the wild. Our teachers are extensively trained and take deep pleasure in making connections with students, and in passing on a lifelong appreciation for the value of wildlife and nature.

## UMAINE INCLUSIVE EDUCATION MICRO- CREDENTIAL BUNDLE

## GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR FAMILIES!

Families are invited to participate in a **free**, self-paced, online learning opportunity through the UMaine System. This is a great way to build knowledge about inclusive practices and better understand the IEP process, all on your own schedule!



SCAN ME

## Winter Fun Day Camden Hills State Park

**When:** Saturday, March 7, 2026

**10AM—2PM**

**Where:** 280 Belfast Road, Camden

**Activities Include:**  
Mammal Tracking Display  
Winter Camping Display  
Warming Fire & Hut  
Hot cocoa while it lasts  
Sliding, XC-skiing and Snow Shoeing

Lots of FUN  
with or  
without snow!

**Maine State Parks Ski & Snowshoe Trailer**  
with free snowshoe and cross-country  
ski rentals.

**NOTE:** The trailer will be at the park  
from 2/26-3/9 with free  
equipment loans,



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**Special Event Park Admission rate**  
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