



CENTER DRIVE SCHOOL

HOME OF THE EAGLES

To: Members of the School Committee

Fm: Judy Marvin, Principal

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The weather has changed a little bit! I'm noticing our kiddos not wearing the shorts and tank tops they were wearing in the beginning of the school year. We have had quite a few absences from both kids and staff due to these late summer/early fall colds and then an outbreak of strep. Let's hope that this passes quickly.

We have completed our Fall NWEA testing. Teachers will use the data generated from these assessments to plan the future instruction and intervention with their students. Time will be provided at our October inservice day to review this data within our grade level teams. This data will also be looked at by our RTI team of teachers, planning specific interventions for specific students needing things beyond the classroom. I would like to thank Mr. Mugnai for his attention to this testing. Testing takes a great deal of time between scheduling, trouble shooting computers and make ups. Needless to say, his presence in the office during this time has been limited.

Our 8th grade students will be attending their final Maine Studies trip, September 26th -28th . Students will tent at Cobscook Bay. During their time there, they will visit Campobello Island, Raye's Mustard, and go on a Windjammer cruise. These carefully planned activities extend the learning beyond the classroom. We are very fortunate to continue to provide this experience for our students. Mrs. Wendy Stone works very hard coordinating this and making sure the activities fit within the current curriculums being taught in the classrooms. If you haven't had the opportunity to look at the Maine Studies blog on our website I would encourage you to do so.

I will be starting my observations with our probationary teachers. These teachers continue to do a great job and leave me so excited for the experiences our students are receiving under their guidance. We have implemented for the past two years ongoing new teacher orientation meetings, meeting with them two times a month until they feel comfortable with their positions and the building. I love this time with them as you see the connections they are making with each other as well.

Enjoy the Fall weather everyone!