

FALCON FLASH

May 19, 2018

Upcoming Events:

5/21-Elective 2
5/22- Mrs. Marc-Aurele's class to Maine Maritime Museum
5/22- 4th Graders BHM walk
5/23-All School Spring Music Concert-6pm
5/24-District Budget, 6:30pm-@Orion
5/28- Memorial Day-No School
5/29-30- Brighter Smiles (Dental Hygienist)
6/1-5th Grade to Boston
6/4-Elective 3

6/8-4/5 Gr to MAMS-Citizenship Cerem.
6/8-Bowdoinham Buds – 2pm
6/11-Elective 4
6/13-K/1 gr to MSMT-Cinderella
6/14- Flag Day
6/15-Field Day
6/18-2/3 Gr to Boothbay Aquarium
6/21-5th Grade Graduation – 1:30pm
6/22-Last Day of School – 12:05pm

Lunch Menu Change – Thursday, May 24, 2018P: **Roasted Turkey Dinner** has been replaced with
A Pork & Gravy Sandwich



THE PRINCIPAL CONNECTION

@mrlajoiebham

Our K-5 Music Concert is this Wednesday, starting at 6:00pm! Come see what our kids have been learning in music class this year under the guidance of Ms. Stratton. We have a grand finale planned too!

HOT TOPIC: VOTE

Our school district's administrators – myself included – have been working for months to create a budget for next school year. We do our best to plan for the diverse needs of our students, and provide them with the best possible education, while also being sensitive to the burden on the local taxpayer. After many meetings, including public forums across the communities of our district, and lots of opportunities to give and receive feedback, we are just one step away from our residents voting up or down on the budget referendum that will provide funding for our schools next year.

That second-to-last step is the District Budget Meeting at the Orion Performing Arts Center (@ Mt. Ararat Middle School). You should have received a mailer that includes details about the proposed budget. I encourage you to attend this very important meeting if you can. Historically the turnout at the meeting has been very low, which means that a relatively small number of folks feeling strongly about an issue can have an outsized impact. A result of the meeting could be that less money is allocated to the schools than is being recommended by our school board. Whatever your position on any particular issue, it is necessary that our communities turn out and use the power of the vote to make sure our school budget process can proceed.

Thursday night, May 24th, 6:30pm, at the Orion Performing Arts Center. Please exercise your right to vote and ensure that our overall school budget can proceed to referendum. As always, thank you for your support. And if you have any questions about the proposed budget I'm happy to have a chat with you.

Yours in meaningful learning that lasts,

Mr. Lajoie ☺

Did you see on Facebook?

The "Arts Alive" Elective program is up and running for grades 2-5. We were excited for our older students in the skateboarding elective to tear up the Matthew Parker skate park downtown!



COMMUNITY NEWS



Bowdoinham Food Pantry has new hours of operation. Beginning Wednesday, September 6, the pantry will be open from 3pm – 5pm every Wednesday. For more information please call 751-7779



The Clothes Closet is open the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 3pm-6pm at the Church of the Nazarene at 7 School St. Come to the house behind the church. A donation of \$1 a bag is welcome but not required.