

Monkton Central School

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Calendar

November 13	Parent Conference Day, no school for students
November 20	Picture Re-Take Day
November 20	Community Lunch
November 25-27	Thanksgiving Recess
December 3	PTO Meeting, 8:15 a.m.
December 11	PTO Holiday Bazaar
December 17	Holiday Concert
Dec 23 – Jan 1	Holiday Break

Dear Parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying the beautiful weather. It is hard to believe that we are at the end of the first trimester. As such, it is time for parent conferences. These conferences are an opportunity for you and your child's teacher to discuss progress to date. Teachers will share with you specifics in each area of the curriculum with a special focus on math, language arts, and social skills. Your engaged participation is essential to assure that you walk away from the conference with information and answers that are meaningful to you.

We are working on establishing clear expectations for students when they are in the cafeteria. The following expectations will be posted in the cafeteria and reviewed with you child in his or her classroom. Please take a few moments to review them with your child. By doing so, you will help us to reinforce the importance of these expectations. Your support is greatly appreciated.

When entering the cafeteria:

- Walk into the cafeteria in a orderly manner (in a single line and quietly)
 - Hot lunch students may proceed to lunch line in alphabetical order.
 - Cold lunch students find a seat
 - Once you have your seat, you may not change it for the duration of the lunch period
- Food should be healthy and nutritious. Candy and soda may not be brought to lunch.

Once in the cafeteria:

- Remain seated. Once you have found your seat, you must remain in that seat for the remainder of the session unless directed to move by a supervising adult.
- If you need to leave your seat or the cafeteria for any reason you will need permission from a supervising adult. Raise your hand and an adult will come to you.
- Talk with friends that are next to you or across from you. Use your "dinner voices".
- All food stays in the cafeteria.
- Toys that students want to use on the playground must stay in the bins until dismissal time.
- Students will be dismissed by the supervising adult.
- When lights are turned off, all students are expected to be quiet and listen for adult directions.

Consequences:

- When children misbehave, according to the cafeteria or school rules, the following steps will be followed:
 - Student will be given a warning. The supervising adult will inform the student of their infraction, what is expected, and the consequences for future infractions (during that lunch period) will be reviewed.
 - If a student continues to demonstrate difficulty, the student will be provided a place to sit apart from their group (in the cafeteria) to finish lunch.
 - If the behavior continues once at the separate table, a white-form referral will be made. If there are multiple referrals filed (three) within a month, the student will meet with the principal, the parent will be called, and a plan will be developed for the student.
 - If the offence involves physical contact with others or disrespectful or challenging language toward staff, the student will be escorted to the principal's office and a referral filed.

Thanks for your ongoing support. Have a great weekend.

Richard Schattman, Principal

School Picture Re-Takes

LifeTouch Photographers will be here on Friday, November 20, to do school picture retakes. If your student was absent and you would like an order form, please call the school office and we will send one home with your student.

Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
16 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	17 - bagel with topping, cereal, fruit, milk	18 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	19 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	20 - double English muffin, hard boiled egg, fruit, milk
23 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	24 - double cinnamon toast, hard boiled egg, fruit, milk	25 Thanksgiving	26 Recess	27
30 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	Dec 1 - cinnamon bun, hard boiled egg, fruit, milk	2 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	3 - toast, cereal, fruit, milk	4 - double English muffin, yogurt, fruit, milk

Lunch

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
16 - grilled cheese sandwich, fresh vegetable, pretzels, organic yogurt, fresh fruit, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	17 - Your favorite fun fish, baked French fries, fresh vegetable, home made bread, fresh fruit, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	18 - soft taco with home made taco seasoning, cheese, lettuce, salsa, sour cream; fresh vegetable, fresh fruit, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	19 - Finger Food Day - egg or peanut butter sandwich, cheese sticks, Sun Chips, animal crackers, fresh vegetables, frozen juice bar, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	20 - Community Lunch - roast turkey, baked potato, gravy, stuffing, cranberry sauce, corn, dessert, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar
23 - home made vegetable soup, peanut butter sandwich, fresh fruit, dessert, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	24 - cheese pizza sticks with sauce on the side, fresh vegetable, fresh fruit, dessert, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	25 Thanksgiving	26 Recess	27
30 - pancakes with syrup, baked ham, fresh vegetables, cantaloupe, cake, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	Dec 1 - Crabby Patty, chips, cantaloupe, fresh vegetables, peanut butter squares, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	2 - chicken nuggets, garlic bread, grapes, fresh vegetables, jello (whipped cream optional), chocolate chip cookies, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	3 - lasagna, garlic bread, fresh vegetable, watermelon, chocolate pudding with crushed oreos, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar	4 - pizza (pepperoni or cheese), vegetable, fruit salad, brownie sundae, milk - deli or peanut butter sandwich (in place of main entrée), salad bar

Did you know that the week of November 30 the menu was made by Ms. Yerrick's grade 2-3 class. They were the Innisbrook winners.

Would you like to join us for Community Lunch on Friday, November 20? Please call Anne or Debbie (453-2314, extension 30) to make your reservation.



Holiday Bazaar News -HELP WANTED!!!

Hello everyone out there - where are you? We are in dire need of crafters. We need gluers, sewers, painters, assemblers, and people with a sense of humor. If you can help in anyway please fill out the tear off at the bottom of the page and return it to the school ASAP. With your help we can have another successful Holiday Bazaar this year.

For those of you who would like to help out on the day of the bazaar, it will be held on Friday, December 11. The following Monday (December 14) if there is a snow day. Our next craft night will be Tuesday, November 17, at 7:00 p.m., in the teacher's room. All are welcome. The following craft night will be held at Dawn Griswold's house on Tuesday, November 24, at 6:30. Appetizers will be served. Items Needed: small and large baskets; small and large round Pine cones (hundreds), and candy (lots of it).

Thank you, to all who have been helping thus far. If you have questions about the bazaar or helping out please feel free to call Nina Badger (453-5023), Janet Kimball (453-2675), or Dawn Griswold (453-8488). Thank you.

PTO Holiday Bazaar Help Wanted

NAME: _____ PHONE# _____ EMAIL _____

Please check: Interested in helping on the day of the Holiday Bazaar, December 11 _____
 Interested in helping with making crafts on craft nights. _____
 Interested in helping with making crafts at home. _____

Grade 4 Cub Scout News

Webelos I – We have a special meeting planned for Saturday, November 21, from 10:30 -12 at the old Grange Hall (behind the Bessette home). Remember to wear your uniform. Parents, please pick your son up at soon at the recreation field on Hollow Road. Call with questions: Jeff Winchester (453-4533) ; Mary Ann Wood (453-5470); or Barb Collette (453-6179).

Monkton Girl's Basketball -- Time for Hoops

We'll be kicking off an exciting season of girls' basketball with a basketball clinic at the Vergennes High School on Saturday, November 14, from 9-11 a.m. All girls, grades 3-6, are welcome and there is no fee. Please have your daughter bring gym shorts or sweat pants, tennis/basketball shoes, and a water bottle. During the clinic we'll introduce girls to the basic skills of basketball and help them get ready for the start of the season. Basketball is not only a fun sport for girls, but gives them an opportunity for winter exercise, as well as teaching them hand-eye coordination, team spirit, cooperation and good sportsmanship. To participate in the clinic you don't need to have any basketball experience. The clinic can be an enjoyable way to see if you want to be on the team this year.

Gregg Krech will be coaching the Monkton Recreation Program 5-6 girls' team and Ed Cook will be coaching the 3-4 girls team. Please contact either of us if you plan on bringing your daughter to the November 14 basketball clinic or having them on the team this year. We're happy to answer any questions. We'll have registration forms at the clinic for those who wish to sign up for the school team. We look forward to an exciting season of basketball!

Gregg Krech, todo@gmavt.net, 453-4440

Ed Cook, ecook@anwsu.org, 453-7978



PTO AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Young Rembrandts Drawing and Cartooning (Grades 3-6)

Instructor: Jennifer Ross, trained Young Rembrandt instructor. This class is drawing and cartooning for beginners or those already familiar with these techniques. This is a structured drawing class where you will work on pictures suggested by the instructor. Use the things you learn on your own work outside of class. **DATES:** Tuesdays: December 1, 8, 15, 22, January 5 **TIME:** 3:10- 4:30 **PLACE:** Art/Music room **Maximum students:** 12
Suggested Donation: \$15



- Please return registration forms by the Friday before each class starts, either to your child's teacher, or the PTO box in the office.
- Registration is on a first come, first served basis.
- Families who receive free and reduced lunches do not pay for classes. We encourage all students to participate, regardless of ability to pay.
- Checks can be made out to Monkton PTO.
- *Students must be picked up from classes on time/ Please remember to send a note with your child the first day of class, giving permission for them to stay.*
- If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Blanchette at 453-7087 or KBlanchette13@comcast.net

PTO AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

PTO CLASS: _____ NAME: _____ GRADE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PARENT #1 NAME AND #: _____

PARENT #2 NAME AND #: _____ If Parent's can't be reached, we need 2 Emergency Contact names and phone numbers.
1. _____ 2. _____

Will your child go to the Mary Johnson Program following class? Y N Who will be picking your child up? _____
Do you need help with Transportation? Y N Please indicate any special needs the participant has/ is there anything else you want us to know?

This form is also available in the office and at the MCS web site: www.mcsvt.org