

Monkton Central School

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Calendar

October 20	School Picture Day
October 21-22	Vermont NEA Days, no school
November 5	Parent Conference Day, no school for students
November 11	PTO Meeting, 8:15 a.m.
November 24-26	Thanksgiving Break

Principal's Notes

Dear Families,

It's been a great week at MCS. I have seen rich literacy events, quiet test taking, eager students listening, playing, and learning. I have enjoyed hearing about the soccer games and the upcoming tournament. Monkton Central School is a good place to be.

As you may know, our beloved second shift custodian, Arletta Hallock, has taken ill and is on medical leave. The faculty and staff are busy looking for ways to support her. As a school we are relying on substitute custodians while Arletta is absent.

You may have noticed that we are introducing some activities at the 8:45-8:55 time slot. Please bear with us as we get this going. The idea is that once the buses have all arrived some adults will take those students that are here on a brisk walk. This helps get the circulation moving, gets us energized, and helps students manage their behaviors. We are also looking for other active ideas for this sliver of time. When the walk goes, there should be at least one adult hanging back. I'm sure you've noticed that we haven't quite worked out the part about there being one adult waiting outside the gym while others walk. My apologies. We are working out the kinks in the system. Thank you for your patience.

I apologize for the Parent/Student handbook being so late. I was working on it in August when *The Unfortunate Event* struck my family and I have not gotten back to it. I hope to finish it up this weekend and get it to you next Wednesday.

Please remember that next week is a three day week. There will be no school on Thursday and Friday so that teachers may attend the Teachers Convention. Picture Day is on Wednesday, October 20.

Our new website, www.monktoncentral.org, should be live on Monday. Teachers, with the guidance of Kevin Grace, have been working steadily on their web pages. I think you'll enjoy their work.

Have a great weekend,
Susan Stewart

SOCCKER NEWS

The annual soccer awards banquet will be held on Friday, October 29, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the school cafeteria. All soccer players and their families who attend are asked to contribute the following items to share at this event:

Kindergarten: paper cups & paper plates (enough for 125 people)

Grades 1 & 2: juice, milk, or cider

Grades 3 & 4: a dessert item

Grades 5 & 6: a healthy snack

Thank you, Bob Radler and the Monkton Recreation Committee

Haunted Forest

The Scouting community of Monkton will be creating a Haunted Forest right here at the Monkton Central School. The Haunted Walk will take place on Saturday the 23rd of October from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Our local scouts will guide you through a haunting path directly behind Monkton Central School and it will be an event for the whole family.

We will have a bake sale with goodies and warm cider. We welcome everyone to bring the entire family to take a trip through our spooky trail with lots of glowing pumpkin carvings and beautiful luminaries. The entrance to the trail area will be at the Monkton Central School parking lot. We can't wait to see you there. Happy Haunts. Theresa Payea

Monkton Central School - October 2010 Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
18 toast, cereal, fruit soft taco, seasoned rice, salsa, sour cream, fresh vegetables, fresh fruit Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	19 double cinnamon toast, hard boiled egg, fruit macaroni and cheese, buttered peas, dessert Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	20 toast, cereal, fruit ham or turkey grinder on a home made whole wheat bun, cheese, pickles, fresh vegetable, fresh fruit Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	21 Vermont NEA Days no school	22 Vermont NEA Days no school
25 toast, cereal, fruit baked whole wheat chicken pattie on a wheat bun, potato wedges, fresh fruit Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	26 home made French toast with syrup, sausage, fruit English muffin pizza, pretzels and peanuts, fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, chocolate oatmeal no bake bars Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	27 toast, cereal, fruit buttered rotini or meatballs and sauce, green beans, garlic bread, fresh fruit Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	28 double cinnamon toast, hard boiled egg, fruit Breakfast for Lunch French toast sticks, syrup, double sausage links, fruit juice Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat	29 toast, cereal, fruit hot dog on a wheat bun, fresh vegetables, Sun Chips, cheese sticks, fresh fruit, ice cream Or peanut butter & jelly sandwich on wheat

PTO



October Craft Nights Hello fellow crafters! Mark your calendars for the following craft nights: Wednesday, October 20, 7:00-9:00 pm at my house (All are welcome! Call for directions.), and Thursday October 28 - 7:00-9:00 pm - Staff room. Hope you can make it! Dawn Griswold, 453-8488, or email bdgris@gmavt.net

PTO Meeting Our November PTO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 11, at 8:15 in the staff room. Please join us! On another note - if you are interested in attending a PTO meeting but the times don't work for you. Please contact John Kelliher jkelliher@longtrailenv.com or Dawn Griswold bdgris@gmavt.net to discuss times that would work better for you. We may not be able to accommodate everyone's schedule, but we would like to find a way to reach more parents interested in being involved with the PTO and the great work we do! Thank you! John Kelliher and Dawn Griswold, PTO Co-Chairs

Genevieve's Fundraiser A big THANK YOU for all the support with Genevieve's! I don't have the final word on out profit yet, but so far it looks GREAT! Watch the newsletter for the delivery day (November 4) reminder. Thanks for supporting the MCS PTO.
Dawn Griswold

Silent Auction Update

Thanks to everyone who donated, bid on, and picked up their items from the Open House Silent Auction. At this point we have raised **\$2172!!!** This money gets put to great use all year by our incredibly active PTO! Thanks to you and them for all that you do. Special thanks to Dawn Griswold, Amy Moody, and Andrea Wolak for making donation calls and to all who helped set up and tear down the auction this year.
Shawna Sherwin

Ski and Snowboard Program

Once again the Monkton Recreation Committee will be sponsoring Friday evening skiing and snowboarding at Bolton. There are two 5 week sessions. The registration deadline for the first session is usually mid November. We will be holding an information meeting at the school soon. Watch upcoming newsletters for specifics and dates. We are looking forward to seeing many familiar and new faces on the mountain. Thanks, Andrew Peterson (453-7307) and Bob Wahl (989-0273)

Monkton Creates

Fall is upon us and you are invited to visit the Monkton Farmer's Market this Saturday October 16, 10:00-12:00. Come visit local vendors at the Monkton Recreational Field off Hollow Road to stock up on winter veggies, shop for holiday gifts, and warm up with some stone soup! If you would like to participate in this event or have questions, please contact Kathy Boyer at weg@gmavt.net or 453-6067. Also, if you haven't made it over to the East Monkton Church to view the gallery, be sure to make a trip. Local artist display their art work and photos, 7 p.m.- 9 p.m. nightly. Saturday is the artist reception and the closing of the show! Both these events are part of Monkton Creates, a week long celebration of our community.
Kathy Boyer