

Memorial Elementary School E-Newsletter

Week of May 15, 2023

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A Note from Interim Principal Davine:

What a great week we had at Memorial! We were able to celebrate the amazing teachers and staff during Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week! The students also had the opportunity to dress up like Mr. Laporte on Monday, for his birthday. Students got off the bus and danced to the music and mostly looked at me trying to dance, which I think that I had more fun with. The Spring Dance is coming up, May 19th. Just a quick reminder that parents do stay for this event! The Book Fair was a success, and so was the beginning of SAS testing for the 5th graders. SAS will be in full swing this coming week. To help prepare your child for standardized testing, you can encourage them to get a good night's sleep and eat a full breakfast.

The weather was perfect, and allowed for more happy thoughts that spring has arrived. Also, keep your eyes open for a WMUR segment featuring Officer Oljey, Memorial students, and Lucca, the comfort dog!

Meredith

Thank You PTO and Families!

A big thank you to our wonderful PTO and the many generous families who made last week so special! From the beautiful walkway drawings and hallway decorations to the delicious treats, breakfast, and luncheon to the thoughtful cards, gifts, and words, you sure made us feel appreciated! Thank you, also, for all the amazing and creative raffle baskets and prizes! The teachers and staff here at Memorial truly appreciate all that you did for us last week!

Mark Your Calendars! Important Upcoming Dates

MAY & JUNE 2023					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
15	16	17	18	19	
	SAS Math Test - All Grades	SAS Math Test - All Grades	SAS Reading Test - All Grades	SAS Reading Test - All Grades	
			6:30 pm: PTO Meeting	5-7 pm: "Hollywood" Spring Dance	
22	23	24	25	26	
SAS Writing Test - All Grades		SAS Writing Test - All Grades	SAS Make-up Testing	SAS Make-up Testing	
29	30	31	1	2	
Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL		Chorus Field Trip to Fisher Cats game		Grade 5 Field Trip to Camp Lincoln	
5	6	7	8	9	
	6-7:30 pm: Spring Band & Chorus Concert	Grade 5 Move-Up Day - Visit to SRMS	Field Day	Elementary Walk (HS Seniors walk through Memorial)	
				HS Graduation Preparation - Early Release at 12:55	
12	13	14	15	16	
		1:00-2:30: Grade 5 Graduation & Celebration		Last day of school - Early Release at 12:55	

Please note: Events in green are those to which parents and families are invited.

Spring 2023 Statewide Testing at Memorial School

Each year, New Hampshire public schools are required to assess students using a standardized assessment. These statewide assessments are an important part of a student's core educational program and, along with student work, provide teachers and parents with important information about where students are on their path toward academic success. This letter from the NH Department of Education provides detailed information on the assessments including requirements by grade level, exemptions, results, and practice tests. Memorial School's statewide assessments continue this week through May 22nd. Please send in earbuds/headphones with your child the week they are testing. See the calendar above (p. 2) for test days and click here to view a detailed schedule of testing days and times by grade and team. Thank you!

SPCA Fundraiser

Memorial School's Student Council is fundraising to support New Hampshire's Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) and our new comfort dog, Lucca. (In case you missed it, <u>check out the April 30th article in *The Eagle Tribune*</u>, which describes the comfort dog program and the benefits it provides to our students and community.) Students are encouraged to discuss with their families ways to help support this fundraiser. From Monday, May 8th through Wednesday, May 31st, students may bring contributions to the school. The classroom that raises the most money will get popsicles and the grade level that raises the most money will get popcorn!

Grade 5 Graduation & Celebration—Save the Date!

We are looking forward to honoring our 5th-grade students as they move on from Memorial School at the end of this school year! Memorial's **Grade 5 Graduation & Celebration will be on June 14th at 1:00 pm** (with a rain date of June 15th).

We invite parents, guardians, and immediate family members to join the ceremony, which will be held outside on our playground fields. We will require all visitors to check in for the event with a driver's license or another form of identification at designated tables. To make this process easier, <u>please</u> <u>pre-register by completing this short form</u>.

Families may begin arriving at 12:45 pm and the ceremony will begin at 1:00 pm. Following the ceremony, students will have a celebration on the playground. Please understand that families need to leave right after the graduation ceremony by 2:30 pm to ensure that there is no disruption to bus and parent pick-up dismissal that day. If you plan to dismiss your child immediately at the conclusion of the ceremony, please be sure to update PickUp Patrol to "Early Dismissal." There will also be a designated area outside to sign your child out before you leave the school.

Counselor's Corner

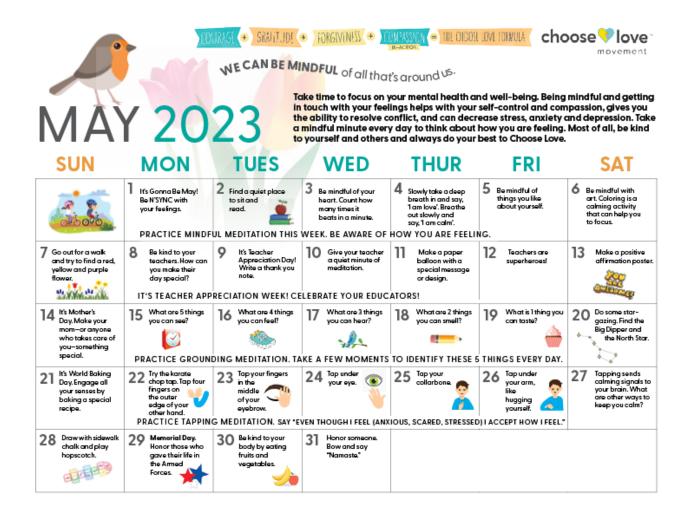
May Choose Love Calendar

Hello Memorial families!

Your School Counselors are here to bring you the Choose Love Calendar for May (image below and <u>the</u> <u>calendar is available for download here</u>)! Each day has a fun activity to encourage your student to practice COURAGE, GRATITUDE, FORGIVENESS, and COMPASSION IN ACTION.



Mrs. Nippert's favorites on this calendar are the grounding meditations! When she feels stressed, she likes to use the 5 senses to calm herself down. Give it a try if you can and let her know how it went! :)



PTO Hollywood Spring Dance

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THIS EVENT IS NOT SPONSORED BY THE SANBORN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT				
	cut here & return bottom portion			
Student's Name:		+ 1 Adult		
Grade/Teacher:				
Amount Enclosed \$				

Next PTO meeting: Thursday, May 18, at 6:30 pm The current board will be accepting nominations for the next school year. Voting is to be held in June.

SRSD 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

The 2023-2024 academic year calendar is available to download here.

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Community Events, Activities & Programs



School Age Childcare LEARN. GROW. THRIVE. Southern District YMCA

At the **Southern District YMCA** we believe that all kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve. That's why child care and early learning programs at the Y focus on holistically nurturing child development by providing a safe and healthy place to learn fundamental skills, develop healthy, trusting relationships and build self-esteem through the Y values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

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Enrolling!

**Not a school sponsored event.



Thank You

As always, thank you for your support, and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

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