# From Mrs. Smith/Fish Desk

Year's end is yet upon us again. I am very proud of our students; they continue to be engaged in their studies and keep their focus even as the weather warms up. Our assessments are complete and we are working on making every minute count in the classroom before the last day. We will have our traditional "Red Carpet" exit on the last day of school for our current fifth graders as we wish them the best as they persue their academics at Messalonskee Middle School next year.

#### **Congratulations to our Odyssey of the Mind Competitors**

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A group of our students participated in a state of Maine competition and placed first. They then traveled to Iowa to compete in a world competition! The students learned and gained many valuable insights, lessons, and made new connections. These are words from one of our students, "Odyssey of the Mind is a thing for

kids to make a play, costumes, and settings by themselves and do problem solving! My favorite part of Odyessy of the Mind World Finals was pin trading, performing, and being spontaneous!" - Lydia Parent

#### To our fifth grade students and parents!

"GLOW" FUN NIGHT at the Messalonskee Middle School this SATURDAY JUNE 2 from 6-8 pm. There will be a \$5 admission fee. 5th grade students from Belgrade Central, James Bean School and Williams Elementary are all invited. The Class of 2025 will all be together! We will have concession items available for purchase as well.

A group of parents are planning a 5th Grade Class Trip on SATURDAY June 16 at Camp Matoaka in Smithfield. About a week ago there was a permission slip and Matoaka release form sent home, if you've turned in your form — thank you!!! If you have not turned in your form we need it returned ASAP. If you need another form please contact Karen Alley in the front office. We have a great day planned and have some very special gifts for the students as well. We really hope they can join us on Saturday, June 16

#### From the PTA:

- The 2017-2018 yearbook is done! Thank you Val Jackson!!! This year's yearbook will be in full color! They will be sold for \$8.50/each.
- The PTA will be holding a FUN NIGHT for WES students on Friday, June 8th from 6-8 PM at Williams Elementary. If you would like chaperone/volunteer, contact the PTA.
- The last PTA meeting of the school year will be <u>THURSDAY</u>, <u>June 14TH</u> at 6 PM in the Williams Elementary music room. We'd love to see you there!

#### **Bikes for Books**

The Oakland Masons are again sponsoring a Bikes for Books program. Children need to read books at their reading level. Each book (or 100 pages for the longer books) allows for an entry to be made for a bike. There are two bikes that will be awarded for each grade level. The assembly date is June 12. We will also be celebrating reading for the summer through a book raffle from a list of popular

books. This month in the library students will be putting tickets in containers for books they want to read. During this assembly students will find out the winners!

### Congratulations to Our Recent Eagles of the Week! May 21- May 25

\*Our **Eagle of the Week celebration** will take place in the science lab on June 5! This is a luncheon with pizza and water served to celebrate their hard work!

Grade 3 - Emma Rackleff A - Awesome Attitude G - Growth Mindset E - Effort

In class Emma is always persevering and never backs down from an assignment. She takes her time and puts all of her effort into her work. She also always helps others and uses her manners daily. Emma is so thoughtful, always smiling, and can brighten anyone's day!

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

June 2 Grade 5 "Glow Fun Night" at MMS

**June 4** Grade 4 to LC Bates Grade 5 Chorus Field Trip

**June 5** Eagle of the Week Luncheon For Awardees Second Half of Year

June 6 Black Bear Book Award Party

June 7 Grade 5 to Colby Art Museum

June 8 Grade 4 to LC Bates Grade 5 Step up day to MMS 9:30-11:00

June 11 Grade 5 to Boat Landing

June 12 Bikes for Books Assembly 1-2
Budget Validation Referendum Vote - ALL
TOWNS All Day

June 13 Grade 3 to Boat Landing School Board Meeting WES 7:00PM

June 14 Grade 5 Rain Date to Boat Landing Grade 2 Step Up Day

June 15 Field Day

June 16 5th Grade Trip to Camp Matoaka

June 18 Rain Date Field Day

June 19 Grade 4 to Boat Landing

**June 20** Grade 5 Celebration/Awards Assembly 1-2 Parents are welcome to join us!

**June 21** Last day of school: students dismissed at noon. School slide show 9:00 Parents are welcome to join us!

June 27 School Board Meeting Central Office 07:00PM

## **Grade 4 - Piper Doucette** E - Engaged L - Listening

Piper is a role model for others because she is always listening and engaged. She is always engaged and she participates in class activities and cooperates with others. Piper listens to the teacher and to others. When we are in the cafeteria and the lights go out she listens to what the speaker has to say. She never calls out or interrupts when a teacher or classmate is talking. Piper is a considerate student who is engaged and a great listener.

## **Grade 5 - Emily Young** A - Awesome Attitude L - Listening E - Effort

Emily is a great student! She is always listening and tries her best at all times. At recess, if there's something you can't do, Emily can. She shows you how to do it in a kind manner. Emily is always cheerful. She deserves to be nominated for Eagle of the Week!

#### **End of School Activities**

Remember to read the newsletters from the teachers, dates and important information regarding year end activities.

#### Field Day

Atwood Primary and Williams Elementary will join together to have our annual field day on June 15. We start with our annual parade where WES students parade over to Atwood and then return to WES and add "loose change" to the "Pot of Gold" to be donated to a local charity! Parents and guardians are welcome to join us to help maintain order and have fun. The morning will be field activities and the afternoon will have individual classroom activities. Please let your child's teacher know if you will be attending. Also, please make sure sun screen is applied and water bottles are brought to stay hydrated.

Educationally yours,

Melanie Smith/Kim Fish