

Milford Central School

Important Reminders from Mrs. Wenck

Friday, March 18, 2022

Dear Parents, Community members, Students and Staff,

What a fun and exciting week! Leprechauns, green clovers, green ties, green hats,...you name it, we saw it in beautiful Spring Green!! The Leprechauns were especially naughty in the classrooms, however. The messes they made kept everyone on their toes, never knowing what to expect! Students tried their best to capture one with their very clever Leprechaun traps, to know avail. Not even the gold coins and glitter were enough to trap one. Oh well, better luck next year!! I certainly hope the messes will stop now!

And who could not have enjoyed the warmer weather and sunshine we experienced these past few days. Spring is truly on its way!! The baseball, softball and track teams took advantage of the weather as well. There are not many years when we can get outside so early in the season. I just hope, we all hope, this nice weather continues.

In addition to sports and Leprechauns, we have a lot of other interesting items to share with you. I want to congratulate our 4th and 5th grade students for completing several of the Otsego County Hiking trails identified on the "Otsego Outdoors Winter Octet Challenge." While we did not complete all 13 trails listed in the challenge, our students did several. What a great way to learn about the beauty of our area, even in the winter.

I would also like to take this opportunity to reflect on the Senior Independent Projects (SIP). This has been my first experience with the SIP program, and I have truly been impressed. Public speaking is known as one of the least favorite things people want to do. As a result of the project our seniors not only have to overcome their fears of public speaking, but they must also present a professional, fully organized, and engaging topic. They have been doing a great job and to be perfectly honest, I have learned a lot!

In closing, I would again ask that you take a minute to review the information provided below. I know you have seen it before, but reminders are always helpful. I also know that folks are asking about the use of the five remaining emergency days we presently have built into our school calendar, and we have to return all five days. By the end of next week, I will be announcing the return of the first two days. I just don't want to use our days to quickly to then have a crazy spring snow or ice storm and have to take them back. So,...more information on this to come next week!

Have a pleasant weekend!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Romona N. Wenck

MCS Interim Superintendent

Important Information and Reminders

- * **COVID Symptomatic Individuals:** If an individual demonstrates COVID-like symptoms while in school, they will still be sent home and will need to test before returning to school. They should test on day 1 and day 5. If the tests are negative the individual can return to school on day 6 but should wear a mask until day 10. If the person refuses to test they must be out of school for a minimum of 5 days and must be fever-free for 24 hours without taking any fever reducing medication.
- * **Positive Cases:** If an individual tests positive for COVID they can return to school on day 6 but they **MUST** wear a mask until day 10.
- * **Exposure:** If an individual is exposed to a COVID positive person here at school we will notify parents. (Exposed means to be within 6' of the positive person for a total of 15 minutes.) The exposed person may stay in school and should test on days 1 and 5. It is highly recommended that they wear a mask.
- * **Test Kits:** For all situations, the school can provide you with test kits for your children.

Breakfast: All students in grades 1 -12 will eat breakfast in the cafeteria. PreK and K will still eat breakfast in their rooms. The cafeteria will be ready to start serving at 7:30am. Students arriving ahead of the buses can go right to the cafeteria, or PAC, depending on grade level. Students grades 6-12 who do not eat breakfast will continue to report to the PAC lobby. Students in grades 1-5 will report to the cafeteria whether they eat breakfast or not. Students in PreK and K will go directly to their rooms upon arrival. All students report to their classrooms at 8:00am.

Lunch: All students, grades PreK – 12, will eat lunch in the cafeteria. At this time, we are asking that everyone keep their presently scheduled lunch time. Students in grades PreK – 5 will be escorted to the cafeteria by their teacher or classroom aide. Students in grades 6-12 who eat lunch will be required to remain in the cafeteria for the first 15 minutes of their lunch period. Students who do not eat lunch will report directly to the PAC. After the first 15 minutes students in grades 6-12 will be allowed to go to the gym. Please be sure no food or food trays are taken out of the cafeteria.

Dropping students off in the morning: Please remember to use the center lane of the parking lot when dropping students off in the morning. Even if the buses are gone, there often are students using the crosswalk and we do not want any accidents. Thank you.