

April 28, 2023

South Bristol School Weekly Newsletter



Memo from the principal

As I prepared for the week after April break, I looked at our week's schedule. This week included Jump Rope Club, Outing Club, Boosters meeting, Newspaper Club, Baseball, Softball, Outing Club, K-2 swimming, PreK registration, emergency drills, Reading Buddies, Running Club, Kelp harvesting, Yearbook Club, and FARMS. I'm sure I'm missing a few things. I've always noted that the school year does not wind down at this point. It's quite the opposite. Teachers are busy organizing their lessons around field trips, enrichment activities, and various clubs and teams. I attended the Maine Principal Associations conference this week and am sending this week's newsletter from my borrowed desk at the Samoset. My thoughts are never far from SBS and I look forward to the coming weeks as we amp up our pace. The Jump Rope Team did an amazing job performing for the school and the public. A few photos may be found below. It's also Administrative Assistant week! Huge shout out to Ms. Katie for all she does for SBS. We simply would not be as successful as we are without her. - Mr. Hamm

"The world only exists in your eyes....You can make it as big or as small as you want." - F. Scott Fitzgerald - *Writer*

Reading Buddies is one of our hallmark programs.



After 2 months of training on the roads and trails of South Bristol, the SBS Running Club will be racing the Dash for Dogs 5k this Sunday in Lewiston, ME. Wish our runners luck in their big race.

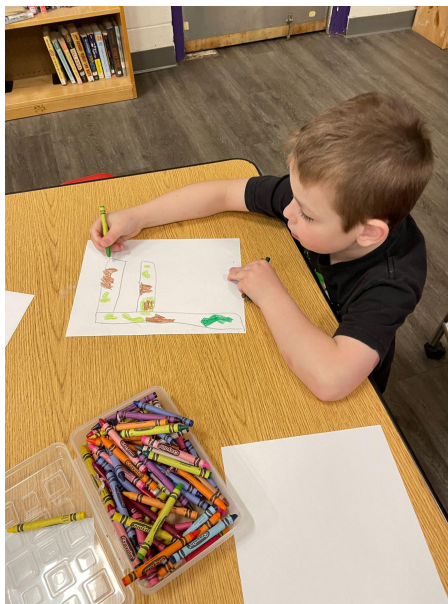
Some recent upgrades just in time for baseball/softball season. Thanks to our Booster Club for the gravel and stone work in front of the snack shack!



Library Bookmarks

We are 31 days away from our 2023 Scholastic Book Fair! Sail into reading and shop the SBS Book Fair May 30 - June 5th either in-person or online. Please reach out to Mrs. Mower or Tenley Seiders if you are interested in volunteering to help with set up, take down, and/or helping during shopping hours.

Thank you very much to our friends in Ms. Packard's and Ms. Harvey's classes and Autumn, Sam, Helena, and Sabrina for helping create our book fair countdown bulletin board!



Spindrifters Jump Rope Club



8th Science

We are about halfway through a unit about waves and energy. This unit is more challenging and a bit more like a high school class. Students are learning about the different types of energy, how energy is conserved in a system (one experiment and one engineering project for this), how mass and velocity affect kinetic energy, the different types of waves and parts of waves, and how waves behave.

Our final unit of the year will be chemistry. We will learn about chemical reactions, review the reactions for photosynthesis and cellular respiration, and balance chemical equations.

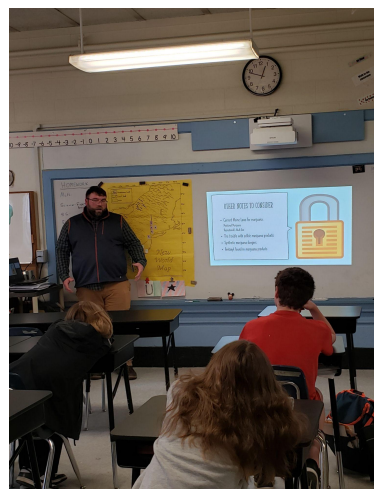
I am using Unified Classroom/PowerSchool to keep track of work completion and assessment scores in science. Students will also be scored on the Habits of Work. I will also be reporting conventional grades for 8th grade. The goal is to familiarize students with how they'll be scored in high school. You can login to Unified Classroom by going to classroom.powerschool.com. You login using your child's gmail account. He/she can show you how to do this and how to navigate around the site.

The 5th grade class took an afternoon field trip on Thursday to Ocean Point Marina in East Boothbay to harvest the sugar kelp and alaria that were put into the Damariscotta River on December 22, 2022. We grew the seedlings in our classroom for almost two months prior to then. We took measurements of the kelp and the water. We fertilized them once a week. The longest blade on the sugar kelp was about 10 cm in December.

At the harvest, the longest blade was 296 cm! And it weighed 29.5 pounds. Our alaria was even shorter when it was put in the river and grew to 319 cm and 29.5 lbs! This project is a multi-school collaboration through the Boothbay Sea and Science Center aimed at helping aquaculturists better understand seaweed farming and to test new ideas.



Mr. Will Matteson from Healthy Lincoln County spoke to our grades 6, 7, and 8 students in Guidance classes this week.



A few more pics from the week....



HEALTHY KIDS DAY®



DATE: Sat. April 29
TIME: 9am-12pm
Location: CLC YMCA

**FREE
FOR ALL!**

Emergency Vehicles
Smoothie Bike
Arts & Crafts
Tennis
Obstacle Course
Outdoor Games
Touch A Truck
Bristol Air Devil Performance
Community Partners
And more!



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LINCOLN  ACADEMY

8th
Grade

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Friday May 12 6:30 pm
LA Dining Commons
Courtyard

**Open to all current 8th
graders and their families.**

**Meet administrators,
LA Ambassadors, other
8th grade families and
current parents.**

***Stay for Sophomore class fundraiser
and OPEN TURF at 7:30***



7th Graders are going to Kieve!

Hello from Damariscotta Lake, We are so excited to welcome South Bristol 7th graders to The Leadership School Residential Program **May 8-11!**

- Required [HEALTH FORM](#) for parents to fill out online
- Additional Forms are being sent home with students including the daily schedule, a description of the areas of concentration, packing list and Kieve waver. Please return those to Mrs. Stiles at SBS ASAP.

Upcoming events

The Civil Rights Team will be holding a *Day of Welcome* next Thursday, May 4th at lunch. We will be selling bracelets made with the colors of the flags of different countries. The bracelets are \$1 a piece or by donation. The money will be donated to a local organization that spreads kindness. Thanks for supporting the Civil Rights Team here at SBS!

SBS Book Fair May 30 - June 5th

May 3 - Planetarium @ SBS

May 4 Civil Rights Team *Day of Welcome*

May 5 - Grades 5-7 to Science fair @ Brunswick

May 8-11- 7th graders to Kieve

May 9 - AOS 93 Board meeting

May 10 - New Hope for Women

May 12 - Civil Rights Team @ Sea Dogs

- Ice Cream Social @ Lincoln Academy @ 6:30

May 15 - Kid's Heart Challenge @ 1:25

May 17 - SASSMM visits Guidance classes

May 18 - Agricultural Fair

May 20 - Tricky Tray at 5:00 PM at SBS!

May 23 - Author visit with Kevin Hawkes

May 25 - Sea Dogs Game!

- Jump Rope show at 8:30 AM
- Public Jump Rope performance @ 6:00 PM

May 30 - June 5 - SBS Book Fair

June 1 - Spring concert/Art Show

June 6 - Tip of Plummer Point Celebration, 4-6 PM

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