

GARRISON NEWS



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DATES AT A GLANCE

June 6	Tuesday	School Store
June 6	Tuesday	Dover Fire Safety Show 9:00 & 1:15 (2 shows)
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June 9	Friday	Garrison Spring Picnic hosted by the PTA
June 14	Wednesday	Kindergarten welcoming Wayne From Maine at 9 a.m.
June 14	Wednesday	Dover Middle School Assembly at GES 12-1 (during lunches)
June 15	Thursday	First Grade field trip to NewCastle Beach 8:45-1:45
June 16	Friday	Field Day – (rain day Monday 6/19)
June 20	Tuesday	Fourth Grade Moving Up Ceremony
June 21	Wednesday	Talent Show
June 21	Wednesday	Last Day of School ~ dismissal at 12:45 p.m. - (report cards go home)

Volunteer Fingerprinting:

(Please call for an appointment 516-6241)

Report to the: McConnell Center, 61 Locust Street, Suite 40, Dover, NH

~Remember to check the Lost and Found for lost items~ this is cleaned out and donated monthly~

PRINCIPAL UPDATES

Dear Garrison Families,

June is upon us – a month of learning both in the classroom and with special activities like field trips, field day, and end of year events. June is a powerhouse month for schools – we are culminating the year of learning with projects that show what students know, stretching skills academically and socially, and preparing students for their future adventures. Thank you for all your support and help this year – it is very appreciated!

Garrison has some changes on the horizon that I want to share with you. First, our renovation has been postponed a few months to address some funding and construction questions. I do not yet have a concrete date, but it looks like we will be able to begin sometime in the fall/early winter. The construction manager that was hired last month has done some number crunching, and the complete renovation will cost ~\$8.2M. The JBC (Joint Building Committee)

has \$5.5M set aside for funds from the City Capital Improvement Plan. The JBC has charged Harriman (architects) and Harvey (construction) to come up with some options for the JBC of how to proceed with priorities, while also pursuing a parallel course of putting the remainder of the project into the next CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) for the city. I will keep you updated. JBC information and meeting minutes can be found [here](#).

Garrison wants to congratulate Joan McLaughlin and thank her for her years of service to Dover students. Mrs. McLaughlin is retiring this year and we wish her all the best! With Mrs. McLaughlin's retirement and shifting student enrollment numbers in some of our grade levels, we have made some team changes for next year to best serve the needs of all our students.

Kindergarten:

Mrs. Cushing-Long
Mrs. Minerowicz
Mrs. Gross
Ms. Kelleher
Ms. Dube

3rd:

Mrs. Schlapak
Mrs. Bauer
Mrs. Gagnon
Ms. Cotter

1st:

Mrs. Perkins
Mrs. Knowlton
Mrs. Matz
Open Position

4th:

Mrs. Krans
Mrs. Tucci
Mrs. Stevens
Mrs. Sawyer

2nd:

Mr. Romps
Mrs. Hill
Mrs. Mayhew
Ms. Duff
Mr. Cook

Next year's placements are being done knowing these teacher teams, and as always, placement is done with the utmost care by your child's current teacher knowing their strengths and needs as learners. As in past years, students will receive classroom placement information in August along with bus routes/times, etc.

We are asking all parents/guardians to check your student's lunch balance to make sure they are not running a negative balance as we approach the end of the school year. We appreciate your cooperation and attention to this obligation.

Don't forget to order your yearbooks before they're all gone!

NURSE  **NOTES**

Just a reminder that all medications and health plans provided by your Doctor need to be renewed for every school year. If you visit your provider over the summer request documentation for school. Updated physical forms and immunizations are appreciated. If you receive notice of missing physical form or immunization you must provide them as soon as possible as they are required by law and exclusion from school is the consequence.

I will not be sending medication home with children.

Any medication left in my office after the last day of school will be available for pick up until June 30. Ms. Lilakos will be in the main office to assist you.

I will be checking my voice mail and email occasionally over the summer. Please feel free to communicate any question/ concerns that come up.

A big thank you to the PTA for all the amazing things they do for everyone at Garrison!

Summertime and childhood...both go by so quickly! Enjoy your children this summer!

Kathy



WEE DELIVER
Another Awesome Year!

The Wee Deliver program at Garrison was another success this year! Thanks to students, staff and parents for writing so many letters.

The third graders did an awesome job handling their mail delivery duties! They collected, stamped, sorted and delivered 2,258 letters!

A big THANK YOU to our parent volunteers who assisted in getting the job done each day: Robin Therrien, Emily Sidmore, Becky Corringham, Glenda Gutierrez, Amanda Cook and Alicia Cacciola. We couldn't have done it without you!!

STAMP CONTEST

The Stamp Contest winners had the honor of having their designs made into Wee Deliver stamps for the entire school to use and also received a gift certificate to the school store.

Kindergarten:

Parker Redman
Sommer Hefel

First Grade:

Declyn Mangum
Kate Winn

Second Grade:

Sophiya Semmar
Ava Tullis

Third Grade:

Nicole Cancilla

Cady Sidmore

Fourth Grade:

Isabel Schlosser

Will Angers

In addition, we displayed a collage of the stamp entries on the bulletin board each week, so that all entries had a chance to be highlighted. This made for a very colorful bulletin board!

Congratulations to everyone and to all who submitted an entry... we had many creative designs to pick from and they were all wonderful!

LIBRARY NEWS

Our "Happy Camper" Scholastic Book Fair energized our "happy readers". Thank you, parents, for continuing to support your students' avid interest in reading and books. Mark your calendars now -- our book fairs are always in November and May. Volunteers greatly appreciated!

Congratulations to the following winners of the Dover Public Library's 15th Annual Poetry Contest:

Category 1 - 3rd Place: Amara Endrizzi, grade 1

Category 2 – 2nd Place: Maddie Healey, grade 4