



OSPREY NEWS

APRIL 4TH, 2021

Dear Families,

I hope you have been enjoying this sunny weekend together with your family! I have included a few pictures below from this year's version of the Lucky Day Carnival that we held last week in PE classes. Thank you to the MBS PE department and the MBS PTA for helping to make this event happen this year. Here are just a few updates for the week:

We will be keeping our last day of school 5th Grade Talent Show tradition alive! This year's show will be held as a live stream event. Permission slips will be going home with our 5th grade students very soon. If your 5th grader is interested in participating and you have questions, please reach out to Mr. Mast at tyler.mast@colchestersd.org or Mrs. Eastman at elizabeth.eastman@colchestersd.org.

If your child will be a third grade student at MBS next year, we will be holding a virtual third grade information night on Thursday, May 6th, 2021 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm for parents and caregivers. A zoom link will be sent out to all current 2nd grade families prior to the event.

Respectfully,

Ms. Burke



Upcoming Dates

April 8: MBS PTA meeting @ 6:30

April 19 - 23: School Recess

April 26 - 30: Kindness Week

May 6: 3rd Grade Information Night at 6:30

May 3 - 21: MBS SBAC Testing

June 11: Field Day

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Allergies or COVID Symptoms?

Allergy season has arrived. Covid-19 and allergies share some symptoms, but not others. Use this chart to compare the common symptoms of Covid-19 and allergies. Please reach out to your child’s pediatrician if they are experiencing allergy symptoms. If they take daily allergy medication or maintenance inhalers, this might be a good time to start taking those. If it’s unclear if your child is having allergies or covid symptoms, they should stay home until you can communicate with their pediatrician. They will provide guidance on whether COVID testing is needed, and when it’s ok for your child to return to school.

COVID-19 vs. Allergies

	COVID-19	Allergies
Common	Fever or chills	✗
	Cough	✓
	Body aches	✗
Less Common	Headaches	✓
	Tiredness	✓
	Loss of taste or smell	✗
Not Common	Shortness of breath	⊖*
	Sore throat	⊖
	Sneezing	✗
	Itchy or watery eyes	✗
	Runny or stuffy nose	⊖

*Seasonal allergies do not usually cause shortness of breath, unless a person has a respiratory condition such as asthma that can be triggered by pollen.



The CMS PTA Needs You!

Without your help, the CMS PTA may dissolve. For current members to be comfortable with the continuation of the CMS PTA, we would need to fill all 4 board positions (President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary) and have additional active members to fill committee needs. This commitment would be for the remainder of this year through the next school year. Through the years, the PTO, which became the PTA in 2019, has helped fund many activities and events. Here are some examples of what PTO has done in the past.

- Coordinate a school dance
- Support the CMS OOTM and LEGO teams
- Purchase snacks for students during SBAC's
- Co-sponsor Speakers
- Sponsor Africa Jamono Assembly
- Help pay for licenses for remote learning
- Coordinate Teacher Appreciation week
- Purchase furniture for faculty room
- Help purchase books for a classroom
- Purchase t-shirts for a project
- Help fund COVID safe 8th grade recognition

Please take the time to read [this message](#), which provides information about the current openings and other important details. If you are interested in joining, please email Danielle Bevins at daniellemarinello@yahoo.com.

Contact Erika Merrell for more information about [Eagle Island Camp!](#)

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Eagle Island Camp
in the Adirondacks
Girls' Overnight Camp

Swim lessons & free swim time with certified lifeguards

Crafts

financial assistance available

Camp Craft/ Outdoor Skills

padding

Hiking & Nature Education

grades 5-9
Session 1: July 11-16
Session 2: July 18-23
\$850 / week

eagleisland.org

The best place to spend a summer! I spent 10 summers there as a camper and staff member. Feel free to contact me with questions!



PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATES

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- There are still spots open for the Youth Lacrosse League! For more information and to register visit: <https://colchestervt.gov/348/Youth-Lacrosse>
- Summer camp registrations are still open but spots are filling up quick! To see what is still available visit: <https://colchestervt.gov/335/Program-Registration>
- School Year 21-22 A.C.E. Before & Afterschool registration opens to the public on Monday, March 22nd. Spaces fill fast, for more information contact us at 802-264-5640.

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