

TEAM KENNEBEC SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2018

School Supplies

- (4) 1 1/2" binders for all classes
- (4) Dividers (pack of 5)
- Pencils
- Composition Book for ELA
- Headphones

Planners will be supplied by the school.

Summer Read

Any student who reads books over the summer and shows evidence of reading the books can take part in reward activities when they return in the fall. If your child reads five books they will be invited to a pizza/ice cream party in the library. If your child reads ten books they will be invited to the party in the library and also be eligible for their name to be drawn to win a prize. If your child reads fifteen or more books, they will be invited to the party in the library and be eligible to win gift cards for iTunes and other local area spots. FMI: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTU4MjY0MzZM3MDVa>

Google Classroom Code:
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Welcome to Team Kennebec!

We are very excited to welcome you to Team Kennebec for your sixth grade year. We look forward to meeting all of you and helping you grow as learners and individuals during your transition to Middle School. Some exciting new things that you have the opportunity to participate in at our school is our SPARK program, 40 Book Challenge, and our brand new JMG Program for 6th Grade. One thing that we are asking parents to do is please send us an email with your email address so we can ensure timely team communication. We hope you have a fun and relaxing summer and can't wait to see you in the fall. We would also like to invite you and your parents to our Curriculum Night on August 28, 2018 at 5:30 pm.



Math Practice

Free Rice -

<http://freerice.com/#/multiplication-table/17498>

Two Minute Practice -

<http://playkidsgames.com/games/mathfact/mathFact.htm>

Multiplication Games -

<http://www.multiplication.com/games/all-games>

Meet your teachers...

Mrs. Tupper (ELA)

My name is Holly Tupper, I am the English Language Arts teacher on team Kennebec. I began my teaching career in Topsham, at Mt. Ararat Middle School where I taught Spanish for ten years. In 2006 I came to Messalonskee Middle School where I taught Spanish and Latin for an additional seven years. This will be my twenty-third year teaching and my sixth year teaching ELA. I live in Cornville with my husband, Chris and our daughter Morgan who will be entering fourth grade this fall. As a family we enjoy hunting, fishing and many other outside activities. We have many pets ranging from two dogs and two cats to chickens, ducks, goats, horses and a miniature donkey! We will begin the school year with a writing unit using the Lucy Calkins writing program. This unit will be focusing on writing a personal narrative. There is one "assignment" I am asking students to do in preparation for this unit before coming to school in the fall: ***In your composition notebook, write down two or three events from the summer that could be used for a personal narrative. This can range from a vacation taken with family to a special day just hanging out doing your favorite things.***

Mr. Mahoney (Social Studies)

My name is Keith Mahoney. I have taught middle school for 9 years and this is my 6th year at Messalonskee Middle School. I live in Oakland with my wife, Lindsay, my daughter Ellie and my dog, Captain. I enjoy camping, boating, spending time with family and Boston sports teams. I can't wait to get the year started in Social Studies and look forward to see all of you in the Fall.

Ms. Marston (Math)

My name is Jane Marston, I am the math teacher on Team Kennebec. This will be my third year teaching at Messalonskee Middle School. I live in Oakland with my two dogs, Buddie and Rue. I enjoy spending time with my family, being outdoors, and watching sports. We will kick off the year learning about area and surface area!

Mrs. Anderson (Science)

Hello Messalonskee Eagles!! Welcome to team Kennebec! My name is Mrs. Anderson, and I will be your science teacher this year. This will be my first year at the middle school as well, so we can learn the ins and outs together. After teaching 14 years of language arts and social studies at Bonny Eagle Middle School in Buxton, I am definitely due for a change. My husband and three little girls have come along for the ride, and we are so happy to be living as members of the Eagle Community. I want you to know that I will work incredibly hard to motivate you to take pride in your behavior and academics through organization, hard work, and attention to detail. I also value the element of fun and will strive to incorporate that into a variety of learning activities. We will conduct experiments, create hypotheses, discuss *why* things happen, and simply be curious about the world around us. I can't begin to tell you how excited I am to start this new adventure and get to know each one of you. Have a great summer, and I'll see you in August!