## May 2019 Principal's Report

Our MS team, including our art teacher, will be attending the King Middle School Site Seminar in Portland May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17th. King Middle School is an expeditionary learning public middle school.

Teachers voted on three after school WS sessions over coming back on Monday or a Saturday field day. Our first session was Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. We worked on grading practices and refining ELOs.

Our new school nurse is Amanda Eyler. She has nursing experience from Pen Bay Medical Cener, Patient First Urgent Care, Sine Strategies, and Johns Hopkins Bayview. Her hours are Monday-Friday, 9-1.

6<sup>th</sup> grade will be visiting the State House and the Maine State Museum and 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be traveling to the Gulf of Maine Research Institute. 8t grade will be on their class trip May 30-31.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Advisory position discussion

**Goal 1: Build a strong sense of community between students, staff and families.** Our annual PTO Pen Pal Tea is May 16<sup>th</sup>.

PTO organized two successful events, an activity night for each PK-4 and 5-8. The PTO is raising money to send all grades to the Botanical Gardens in June.

We had a wonderful Staff Appreciation Week, which included breakfast and lunch brought in by parents, organized by the PTO.

## Goal 2: Become more environmentally friendly.

Our school garden is alive and active. MaryBeth Pride is spearheading this project. She is offering to work with classes on Fridays to increase student involvement.

## Goal 3: Foster confidence in students.

We are continuously working on building confidence in our students.

Change Makers is an after school club being offered by Katie Urey for grades 3-5.

Our  $8^{th}$  grade field day at Camden Hills State Park had been postponed until Wednesday. This day is spent with rising  $9^{th}$  graders meeting their homerooms for the first time and spending the day doing team-building activities.

MS students will be traveling to LCS for a viewing of Screenagers, a documentary about growing up in the digital age. <a href="https://www.screenagersmovie.com/trailer">https://www.screenagersmovie.com/trailer</a>