



Loranger Memorial School

148 Saco Ave. Old Orchard Beach, Maine 04064
Phone: (207) 934-4848 Fax: (207) 934-3712
Matthew Foster, Principal mfoster@rsu23.org

June 4, 2021

Good Morning Everyone,

We are wrapping up the week here at LMS and preparing for the last school week of the 2020-2021 school year. The end of the year has come very fast, and we are looking forward to closing it out next week. Our classroom teachers and grade level teams have some ways to celebrate student accomplishments safely, and we are excited for our upcoming 8th grade promotion next Thursday at 6:00 on Joe Regina Field at the High School where we will send off our eighth graders!

Friday, June 11th Half Day

Next Friday is the last day of school and it is also a half day for our students. Our third through fifth grade students will be dismissed at 11:30, and our sixth through eighth grade students will be dismissed at 12:00. We will be offering a breakfast rotation for all students that morning as we have done all year. For lunch we will be offering a bagged grab and go lunch for any student that would like to take a lunch home.

Summer Reading Programs and Ways to Read All Summer

The LMS Librarian has created a single resource to share all of the great things happening to promote reading and literacy this summer. [Letters From the Library: Summer Reading Edition](#). There is a bike raffle, a virtual summer camp, a summer reading program at Libby Library and the login information for all of the resources students can use to keep reading over the summer. All of the information is also available on the [LMS Library website](#). We wish you a great summer filled with sunshine and reading!

2021-2022 Class Placements

In preparation for the 21-22 school year, we are starting the process of class placement. While we do not accept requests for a specific teacher, you do have the opportunity to provide input about your child as a learner that will assist with classroom placement. Please reach out to Judy Milligan (jmilligan@rsu23.org) for rising fourth and fifth graders if you wish to share some information about your child. Ms. Milligan will provide you with a Google Form to fill out in which you can share details about your child to assist in the placement process. The information you provide will be used to make the best placement for your child. Please complete this process by Monday, June 7 to ensure that we have all the data necessary to make these class placement decisions.

Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Emergency Broadband Benefit provides a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers.

Eligible households can enroll through a participating broadband provider or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) using an online or mail in application. You can learn more about the benefit, including eligibility and enrollment information, by visiting www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit, or by calling 833-511-0311.

Outdoor Learning

With the changing of the weather, our teachers will be utilizing outdoor spaces more frequently. With that increase of outdoor use we want to be cognizant of our summer bugs, particularly ticks. It may be a good idea to have students perform a tick check when they arrive home in the afternoon, especially if they have done a considerable amount of outdoor learning. We will also be doing our part here to check for ticks prior to entering our building.

Apex Youth Connection Summer Camps

Apex Youth Connection offers low-cost camp options for area youth and they are looking to get the word out. You can get more information on those camps [here](#).

Rental Assistance

The government has released rental assistance funds for families impacted by the economic downturn due to the pandemic. For more information please click this link:

<https://yccac.org/covid-19-rent-relief-program/>

School Nutrition Program

Breakfast and lunches are available daily at school and are free to all students throughout the entire school year. We ask that you still complete a Free and Reduced Application. These applications help us to receive funding and programming that helps all students district-wide. In addition, if you qualify, you can get Spectrum internet for only \$14.95/month! Applications are available at the front office and on our website at: <http://rsu23.schoollunchapp.com>. School breakfast and lunch menus are also posted on the RSU 23 Website on the [Food & Nutrition Page](#). Please feel free to contact Caroline Trinder, Food & Nutrition Services Director, with any questions at ctrinder@rsu23.org or 934-4461 ext. 1239. We are looking forward to serving healthy and tasty meals all year!

Free Breakfasts and Lunches are also provided every Wednesday behind Loranger Memorial School between 10:15-10:45am, no need to RSVP, just show up!

A reminder of a few upcoming dates:

- Tuesday, June 8 OOB Budget Referendum Vote - OOB High School
- Thursday, June 10 at 6:00 - Grade 8 Promotion
- Friday, June 11 - Last day of school - Half Day

Have a great weekend,

Matt Foster