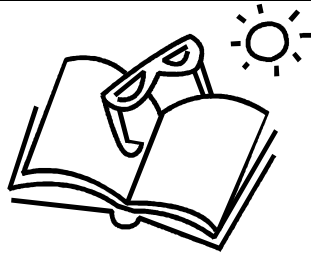





# Sandown North News



*From the desk of  
JoAnn H. Georgian, Principal*

This year is quickly drawing to a close. As we do at the end of each year, we have assessed our practices and have considered areas for

growth.  Our Leadership team - Linda Janvrin, Terry Kellaway, Jennifer Barcelos, Amy Difeo, Linda Wright, Patrice Liff, Carol White, Diane Chauvette, and I are reading Learning by Doing by Richard and Becky Du Four. Our goal is continuous and sustainable school improvement. Participation in this process is certainly not reserved for these individuals, but will be a responsibility of every member of our school.

As we look towards next year, I would like to thank some individuals who have offered so much to our daily lives. Lorraine Beucler, our

Parent Volunteer Coordinator, will be ending her stay with us in that position as Craig is moving on to Sandown Central. She has been unbelievable in always having parents at our events, doing, literally, whatever it takes to get the job done. She worked also closely with Christine Augusta and Sharon Joyce, our out-going PTA Presidents. All three of these women have offered so much of their time and abilities to us, and we are truly grateful.



So many people have done so much to help us raise monies for the children. Dawn Mazur worked with Hannaford and we earned \$900. Sue Reynolds coordinated the Box Tops for Education and Laurie Duff managed the printer cartridge recycling program. Thanks to them and to all who do so much for us every day. Allison Linehan, Justin Bentley-Melle, Patrice Liff and Margaret Winn worked collaboratively to secure a grant to support an artist-in-residence program. Our students will have the opportunity to work with Laura Campbell to discover their relationship to the environment. It

will be an exciting learning opportunity.

Recently, I read a UNH study which found that parental involvement does indeed boost student achievement. Students are more successful in school when their parents are actively involved in their education. All benefit in our school: students, educators, and the parents. I sincerely thank you for your involvement.



A change that the district has planned for next year is in start and end times of the school day. Next year, the day will run from 8:30 am - 3:10 pm. It is hoped that this 10 minute change at the beginning and end of the day will help the Middle School children with scheduling and bus times.

In closing, I want to wish you a wonderful summer break with your children. Please continue to play math games and to read, read, read! Research also shows that children must practice newly learned skills so they do not regress in their achievement. The town of Sandown offers an exceptional library program and hopefully your child will be able to participate.

Have a *GREAT* !

*From the Assistant Principal*

Welcome summer (I think)! The end of the school year is quickly approaching, and families are looking forward to slower days, swimming pools, and beach trips. While our children look forward to relaxing times, we parents tend to wonder how to keep their academic skills in shape between June and September. Our staff would like to tell you about three "summer items" that will be included in the final Sandown Express of the year, and one summer adventure that is not to be missed.



*Everyday*

**Mathematics Packets:** Each grade level will be receiving an Everyday mathematics packet that includes directions for games, game cards, making an EDM card deck out of a regular deck of cards, and a suggested "math related" reading list. Our philosophy is that students learn best while playing games. The children are familiar with all the

games in the packets because they have played them during the school year. Providing an opportunity for your child to play math games throughout the summer will reinforce skills learned throughout this past year.



### *Everyday*

#### **Mathematics Math Journals:**

During the school year, students complete math journals as part of our every day programming. Due to the nature of the curriculum, not every math box will be completed. We will be sending home the unfinished journals. We would like to encourage you to have your child finish any blank boxes. This will also help reinforce skills.



### *Summer Reading*

**List:** Read, read, read! That is our summer mantra! The district librarians spend time every year compiling a summer reading list for your use. Please read to your child, with your child, and ask your child to read to you. Make a

game of it. How many books can you read over the summer?



### *Sandown Town Library:*

Take a trip Down Under with your children! Explore the great continent of Australia through literature and fun activities. For specifics, contact the library at 887-3428.

Have a wonderful summer!

*Patrice Liff*

*Assistant Principal*



## **Sandown North is now recycling paper!**

Abitibi ([www.paperretriever.com](http://www.paperretriever.com)) is providing a paper recycling service for our school. We are glad to reduce our waste while providing a valuable resource for this company. As an added benefit Abitibi paper will pay Sandown North for the paper it collects from us. This money will be used to help support our artist in residence program. Please consider dropping your paper off at our Paper Retriever dumpster located behind our school outside of school hours. Abitibi accepts all paper.

\*\*\*These items are **NOT** accepted\*\*\*

\*\*\***NO** cardboard (corrugated or cereal box)/ **NO** paper towels/ **NO** tissue\*\*\*

In addition to reducing our waste here at school, we hope that this program promotes recycling of all kinds at home.

Thank you for your participation in this program

Mr. Melle



## Music Department Instrument Sign-ups

This year's second, third, and fourth graders who do not already play an instrument can try out an instrument on any one of three nights at the PAC: June 16, 17, or 18, at 5 pm, lasting until 7 pm, at which time an instrument can be rented if so desired.

Second Graders can try strings only: violin, viola, or cello (come in smaller sizes). Third and Fourth Graders can try out both strings or band: violin, viola, cello, flute, clarinet, sax, trumpet, trombone, oboe, French horn, or percussion. The trials last from 5 to 7 pm. You must arrive at 5 pm and come only one of the three nights. At 7 pm, you may rent an instrument if you want, or rent elsewhere.

The first three instrument lessons are given the following week: June 24, June 25, and June 26, from 10 am to noon, or from 5 pm to 7 pm. Refresher lessons are available for

sign-up during the summer. Then instrument lessons are given once a week in the fall, during the school day.

Look for an Instrument Sign-Up Notice to be mailed to your home in early June, or to arrive through the school shuttle.

Marjorie Nelson, Strings, Deb Lincoln, Band, and Kim Cook, Band at Danville

## *Dates to Remember:*

**June 13** – Flag Day



**June 16** – Monday Morning Meeting – 9:00 am

**June 19** – Second grade field trip

Kindergarten Spring Celebration

**June 23** – Last day of school

**Dismissal at 12:00 noon**

**August 15** – Teacher assignments will be posted

**September 2** – First day of school



