Hello Scarborough Middle School Families,

Our school is offering the enclosed parent survey to learn more about your experiences this year with delivery of instruction and how student achievement has been reported. More specifically, much work went into updating reporting practices for this year to ensure we are improving efforts to communicate what students know and are able to do, and we are circling back now to get your feedback. The survey link will be open until Friday, May 10.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to give us your feedback.

Respectfully,

Diane Nadeau, Ph.D., Principal
David Currier, Assistant Principal

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Monday – May 13 to Friday, May 17th** is SMS Staff Appreciation Week
- **Late Start – Wednesday, May 15th**
  - Doors Open at 9:05am
  - Attendance Taken at 9:25am
- **Band Concerts - 7:00pm at the SHS Auditorium**
  - (Band Students Arrive at the High School 6:30pm)
  - Wednesday, May 29 – 6th Grade/Chorus
  - Thursday, May 30 – 7th & 8th Grade
- **Senior Send Off – June 6th at 9:45am SHS Track**
- **8th Grade Celebration/Dance @ Scarborough High School – Friday, June 7th**
  - Celebration begins at 6pm in the Alumni Gym
  - Dance begins at 7:30pm in SHS Cafeteria
- **Last Day of School – Friday, June 14th**
  - SMS will be dismissed at 10:50am
**Wellness Day – Volunteers Needed**

This year we will be having our Wellness Day on Thursday, May 16, 2019 and are looking for people who are willing and able to participate during the school day hours (8:30am until 2:00pm)!

We are in search of people who would like to volunteer to help out with some activities during the day.

If you are interested in being a part of our annual Wellness Day, please fill out the form found here. If you have any questions, please contact Meredith Swartzendruber (mswartzendruber@scarboroughschools.org) or Shelly Tsujiura (stsujiura@scarboroughschools.org).

Thank you ~ The Wellness Day Committee

**SMS BOGO Bookfair**

Our school library's buy-one get-one free bookfair will now be open through Tuesday, May 14th, from 7:30am to 3pm daily. This is a special opportunity to stock up on great reads for the upcoming summer vacation. Our school’s Scholastic Home page can be found here.

The attached flyer has information about popular titles, online purchases, eWallet, and more!
On **Thursday, May 2nd**, the following students participated in the Southern Maine Math League State Meet:

- 8th grade team members were Adam Bendetson, Yuliya Buturlia, Varshini Chaganti, Prisha Muthukumar, Gillian Ocampo, Ethan Rasquinha
- 7th grade team members were Nolan Badger, Logan Cloutier, Simon Hayward, Alisha Mittal, Priyanka Mittal, Carter Williams

The 8th grade team placed fourth out of 24 teams! Adam Bendetson and Prisha Muthukumar were the high individual scorers for the team.

The 7th grade team placed first out of 26 teams! Alisha Mittal placed 5th as an individual, Carter Williams placed 3rd, and Priyanka Mittal placed first with a perfect score. **WOW!!**

Congratulations to the 7th and 8th grade math teams for an outstanding year!!

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**Summer Camp Opportunity**

Does your child love nature? Are they looking for a camp experience this summer? If so, the Scarborough Garden Club sponsors a student each summer to attend the University of Maine 4-H Camp and Learning Center at Bryant Pond for a week-long overnight summer camp. If interested, please contact Michelle Grant at 730-4815 or **migrant@scarboroughschools.org**. We ask that any interested student write a short essay expressing why they are interested in this experience by **5/24/19**.

Please see the attached link for more information on this camp: [https://extension.umaine.edu/bryantpond/summer-camp/](https://extension.umaine.edu/bryantpond/summer-camp/)
Upcoming Events for 8th Grade Students

There are a number of upcoming events for our 8th grade students and their families. It is very important for the 8th grade students to be on-time to school these days or students might miss out on the opportunity to participate in the events.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6

Senior Final Assembly:
During the school day our 8th Grade students will be headed to the High School to watch the Senior Final Assembly. Please be sure your student is not tardy this morning. *This event is for students and SMS Staff only.

Senior Send Off-Track Walk:
Following the Senior Final Assembly students will attend the Senior Send Off-Track Walk at the SHS Kippy Mitchell Sport Complex (the track around the Turf Field at SHS) at 9:45am. Families are invited to be on the bleachers if they would like to support the SHS Seniors, Class of 2019 during their walk.

8th Grade Portfolio Share Day:
SMS parents and family members are invited to join us as we celebrate the hard work done by our students over the past three years at our Annual Portfolio Share Day! Light refreshments will be served and both immediate and extended family are warmly welcomed to attend.

Watch for an RSVP form coming home soon; we ask that you indicate the number attending for planning purposes. Please see the schedule below to determine when your student will be available to share their portfolio. Mark your calendars!

Date: Thursday, June 6, 2019
Times and Locations:
Red Team - 11:00am on the 200 B Wing.
White Team - 11:55am on the 200 B Wing.
Black Team - 1:40pm on the 200 A Wing.
Upcoming Events for 8th Grade Students

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

8th Grade Celebration Marching Practice:
During the school day on Friday June 7th, 8th grade students will head to the Scarborough High School to practice for that evening’s Celebration ceremony. Students will be walking to the High School this day, so appropriate attire for weather and walking is recommended.

Please be sure your student is not tardy this morning. *This event is for students and SMS Staff only.

Annual 8th Grade Celebration:
The annual 8th Grade Celebration will be held at 6pm on Friday, June 7, 2019 at Scarborough High School's Alumni Gym. A dance for the 8th grade students to follow at 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the Scarborough High School Cafeteria.

The 8th Grade Celebration is not a formal event. Student attire recommendation is business casual and should follow the student handbook.

As a reminder, as stated in our handbook, participation in after school or evening activities requires attendance at school that day. Students who need to be dismissed for any part of the day due to medical or religious appointments will still be eligible to participate.

An invitation for the 8th Grade Celebration with additional details can be found here and attached to the newsletter. A SignUp Genius for volunteer needs for the 8th Grade Celebration can be found here.

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

8th Grade Trip to Canobie Lake Park:
On Tuesday, June 11th the 8th Grade will be going on a field trip to Canobie Lake Park. More details will be shared in the upcoming weeks.
8th Grade Celebration
Friday June 7, 2019

Each year, Scarborough Middle School honors all 8th grade students at a year-end recognition ceremony. This year’s event will begin with a celebration in the Alumni Gym at Scarborough High School, followed by a dance for all 8th grade students in the High School Cafeteria.

**PLACE/TIME:** Scarborough High School Alumni Gym
*Students must report to the Plummer Gym no later than 5:45 pm*
Ceremony begins at **6:00 pm**

**WHO IS INVITED:** 8th Grade Students and their families, as well as Middle School staff

**TICKETS:** Due to space limitations, each student will be given **4** guest tickets for the event
- Tickets will be mailed to each household and must be presented by guests for admittance to the ceremony
- Up to 4 additional tickets for each student will be available while they last
- Please call the SMS office at (207) 730-4800 to make this request

**DANCE:** 7:30pm – 9:30pm in the Scarborough High School Cafeteria (Dance is for 8th Grade Students Only)
- Dance takes place immediately following the celebration and will be chaperoned by SMS staff
- The dance ends promptly at 9:30pm. Parents are asked to be on time to pick up their child

**DECORATIONS:** 8th Grade parents are invited to help decorate the SHS cafeteria beginning at 2:30pm on Friday, June 7, 2019

**REFRESHMENTS:** Refreshments will be provided during the dance and will be served by 6th and 7th grade parent volunteers

**QUESTIONS:** Please contact the SMS office at (207) 730-4800 with questions
SCARBOROUGH EDUCATION FOUNDATION’S
5TH ANNUAL OPERATION GRADUATION BALLOON

SCARBOROUGH
CLASS OF
2019

It’s time to help celebrate our Scarborough High School graduating seniors by sending our grads off with a smile and a “Congratulations Grad!” balloon.

For more information and to order balloons visit:
http://sefmaine.org/balloons2019

Balloons are $5 each and all proceeds benefit SEF, allowing the foundation to continue funding programs that fulfill the vision of Scarborough educators, stimulate creative thinking and provide future graduates with unique learning opportunities.

THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS
FRIDAY, MAY 24TH

Balloons are delivered to home addresses the week before graduation