

# Happenings

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October 12, 2023

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Everything is easier and engaging if it is fun! You can make math practice at home fun with a little creativity. Your child's interests can lead the way!

- Got a child who needs to move? Label each stair riser with a math fact. Ask your child to shout them out as they run up and down the stairs..

## Making Practice Fun

- Love singing? Sing the facts to a familiar tune.
- Find satisfaction in getting through a task? Practice with fact triangles. (Let us know if you need some!)

You can find many ways to practice and extend math thinking, all vetted by teachers, on the Caught In the Web site.. Click [here](#).. No matter your approach, any practice is better than no practice!

## COLLABORATIVE COMMUNICATION

Kindergarten students explored maritime flags--and the messages they send--through colors and shapes.



Guided by Mrs. Yutkins, Art teacher, and Cathy Kelly, Cape Ann Museum educator, the students selected shapes and colors to assemble in a way that gave meaning to a message they wanted to share with others.



These community collaborations are enriching for all involved! Watch for more of these learning partnerships, across grade levels, throughout the school year.

## Can we hear (from) you?

### SCHOOL COUNCIL SURVEY

[Survey Link](#)

With an eye on continuous improvement, the School Council respectfully requests your feedback on a short survey regarding communication, connection and building programming for our youth.

Please take this 5 minute survey. The survey results will be shared and used to set goals, direction for our work, and initiatives in the year ahead. Thanks in advance!



Tuesday, Oct 17: School Picture Day!  
6pm School Committee meeting

Wednesday, Oct 18: 2:45-3:30pm Open Door Food Truck

Thursday, Oct 19: Book Fair

Friday, Oct 20: 5:30-7:30pm Book Fair  
6-7pm Hoe Down

Wednesday, Oct. 25: Maritime Museum visits Gr 5



Be sure to check out Family Calendar for the most up-to-date events:  
<https://www.mersd.org/Page/16#calendar3050/20230907/month> !



Menus for each school will be posted on the MERSD Nutrislice web page at <https://mersd.nutrislice.com>, or you can also download the mobile app from the App Store or Google Play.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

Get outside and learn the Wilds with Kestrel - 6 Thursdays starting Now!

Local outdoor education group Kestrel has a last minute brand-new class addition! Ages 8-14, learn to track and trail animals at Chebacco Lake.

Our instructor is an expert tracker and trailer, and is certified level 3 by Cybertracker, an international agency for ranking wildlife trackers. It's extremely hard to get any certification with that agency, and I am super impressed with both James Michael's skill as a tracker and his passion and joy as an educator of children.\*\*

Note - Kestrel will provide partial fee waivers if you're in need or if you miss a class. Contact them at the website above.

# Review the dances here!

Hoedown dances for your review at home!



## Join us for the 7th Annual EES HOEDOWN

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20th~ 6 - 7PM

Put your dancing shoes back on and hit the floor for everyone's favorite fall event!

Sponsored by the Friend of EES  
Featuring Mr. Carpenter as Caller

Festive dress is encouraged!  
Please note that this is not a drop-off event







Save the Date!

EES will host the Scholastic Book Fair **October 19-20.**

Details can be found here:

**<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/essex>**

Each class will visit the book fair and there will also be family shopping hours during the Hoedown!

There will also be teacher "wish-list" bins filled with books if you would like to purchase a book for your child's teacher.

All proceeds go to books for the library and classrooms!

Scan here to set-up e-wallet, an easy online payment account for the book fair.

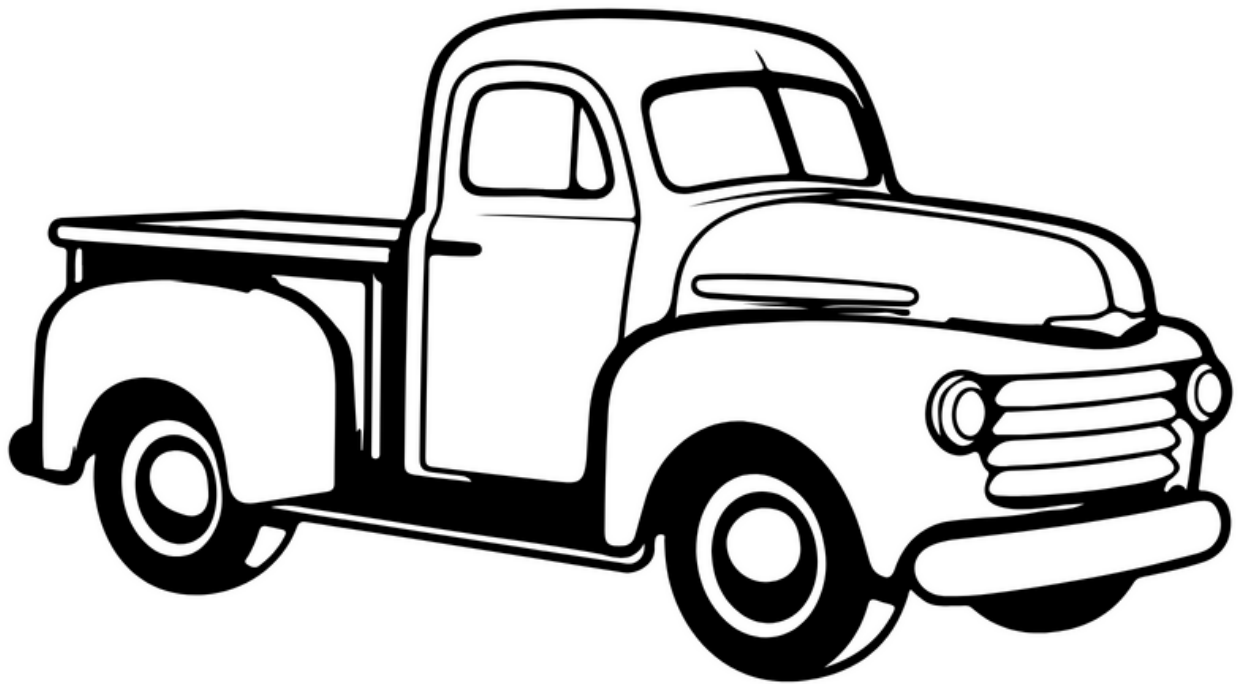


# **EES**

Bring All The Good.

## **FILL THE TRUCK**

10.13-11.15



## **FOOD DRIVE/FUNDRAISER**

### **MOST NEEDED ITEMS**

- Peanut Butter
- Canned Soup
- Pasta
- Canned Veggies
- Canned Tuna
- Rice + Noodles
- Cereal
- Bars

**No Glass + Check Expiration Dates!**