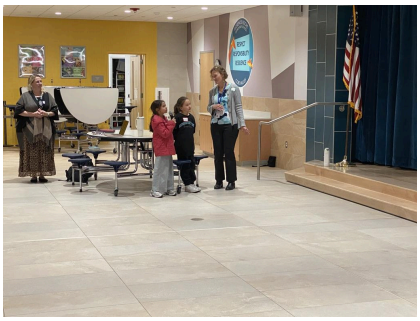
Dear Florence Roche Families,



The week ended with a grade 3 hot cocoa celebration provided by the PTA. Grade 3 families led the way with this year's PTA membership drive. Thank you to all for supporting our PTA. Your generosity provides our students and staff with many enriching experiences throughout the year.

The first graders learned about the importance of trees to the ecosystem through a program provided by the Nashua River Watershed Association. Thank you to the Groton Commissioners of Trust for funding this experience.





Mrs. Harper and Mrs. Freitas hosted our multilingual learners and their families at the Celebration of Language evening this week. During the presentation, they shared information about our instruction and assessment of multilingual learners along with the many resources available to these students and their families. Here is the presentation they shared. Take a look if you would like to learn more about multilingual learning in Groton-Dunstable.



We are once again providing an occasional training space for the NEADS service dogs. A couple of their trainees were in the building this week learning how to work in this environment. These dogs may eventually end up supporting students and adults in a school, so we are happy to be of service to them!





Ms. Kinneen is developing student leaders through her PE Pals program. She enlists 4th grade students to support younger students during their PE classes. This is a positive way for our students to learn how to help others in an authentic way. Our younger students really enjoy engaging with these 4th grader role models.

A Reminder From Our Health Office

Please read and follow these guidelines when making a decision on whether or not you should send your student to school if they aren't feeling well.. We want to do our best to keep everyone healthy and able to attend school.

When is sick too sick for school?



A regular attendance routine is important for your child's well-being and learning. These tips can help you decide when to keep your child home when they don't feel well.

SEND ME TO SCHOOL IF...

- I have **a runny nose** or just **a little cough**, but no other symptoms.
- I have **NOT had a fever overnight** and **have NOT taken fever reducing medicine** during that time.
- I have **a mild stomach ache**.
- I have **not thrown up** overnight and can drink liquids without throwing up.
- I have **a mild rash** and no other symptoms.
- I have **eye drainage WITHOUT fever**, eye pain or eyelid redness.

KEEP ME AT HOME IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4**
- I have **thrown up two or more times** in the past 24 hours.
- My **stool is watery** and I may not make it to the bathroom in time.

SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4 AND any of the following:** ear pain, sore throat, rash, stomachache, headache or tooth pain.
- I have **stomach pain and fever**, I have **bloody or black stool**, or I am **dehydrated** (tired and sleepy, dry mouth) and/or I have **not urinated** in the last 8 hours.
- I have a **persistent cough** or **trouble breathing**, or have a fever with the cough.
- I have **eye swelling, eye pain** or an **eye injury**.
- I have a **rash that has blisters**, is draining, is painful, looks like bruises, and/or I have a fever with the rash.

If you don't know whether to send your child to school, have specific concerns regarding your child's physical or mental health, or are worried your child will spread illness, contact your child's health care provider, a local urgent care or the school nurse. These tips are not meant to take the place of local health department/school district health guidance including about contagious illnesses such as Covid-19 and the flu.

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For more information visit **attendance works.org/resources**

Grade 4 Student Spotlight



Sophie

4th Grade



- In school I enjoy reading
- I like to play with my dog
- I live with my mom, my dad, dog, older brother, twin brother and my fish
- I want you to know that I love making crafts and I love my dog
- I once went to the Netherlands
- My favorite book is how to *Win Friends and Influence People*
- Something special about me is I have the ability to make clay structures

Riley

4th Grade



- In school I enjoy reading because it's calming
- I like to play with Everly, Laci, Lexi and Hemena and also my neighbors
- I live with my sister, my mom and dad
- I want you to know that I have a dog and I want a cat
- I once went to Cape Cod and caught a baby pufferfish
- I am proud of me for cantering on many horses
- My favorite book is *Diary of a Wimpy Kid Fight or Flight*
- Something special about me is that I have two loveys that are actually the same and I had them since I was a baby

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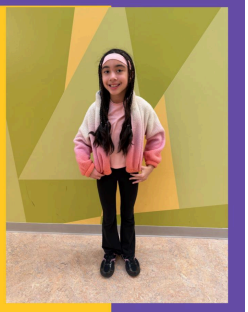
4th Grade



- In school I enjoy writing stories
- I like to play hockey and 4-square
- I live with my mom, dad, brothers, sister and dog
- I want you to know I love hockey
- I once went to the Lost River in New Hampshire
- I am proud of my ability to read
- My favorite book is the *Lord of the Rings: The Hobbit*
- Something special about me is I love to read

Rose

4th Grade



- In school I enjoy Math and Art
- I like to play Roblox and basketball
- I live with my brother, mom, and my dad
- I once went to Canobie Lake Park
- My favorite book is *Bad Guys*
- Something special about me is that I'm Cambodian, Irish, Portuguese, Italian, and American

Brady

4th Grade



- In school I enjoy writing personal stories
- I like to play Minecraft
- I once went to Mexico
- My favorite book is *I Survived the Attacks of 911*
- Something special about me is I'm a good leader and I'm responsible

James

4th Grade



- In school I enjoy math
- I like to play Fortnite
- I live with my mom, my dad, and a sister
- I once went to the Bahamas
- I am proud of having a lot of friends in school
- Something special about me is I love soccer

RETAKE DAY IS HERE!

El día de la foto llegará pronto!

Florence Roche Elementary School

Your Retake Day is:

Tu día de repetición es:

12-03-26

Remember to bring in your original picture proof and photos for replacement.

Acuérdese de traer su prueba de imagen original y las fotos para la sustitución.





Students absent on original day:

If you are having your picture taken for the first time because you were absent on Picture Day, have your photo taken on Retake Day and you will receive your photo proof after the event! This proof sheet will also have information on how to order!

Students unsatisfied with their original picture:

If you received your picture package and are unsatisfied, just return your package & proof sheet to the photographers on Retake Day and have your photo retaken. We will replenish your package at no cost!

Estudiantes ausentes el día original: *El día de retoma de fotos es la oportunidad para aquellos estudiantes que estuvieron ausentes el día de fotos original. Recibirá su prueba de foto después del evento. Su prueba también tendrá información sobre cómo completar su pedido.*
Estudiantes insatisfechos con su foto original: *Si recibe su paquete de fotos y no esta satisfecho, sólo tienes que devolver su paquete y la hoja de pruebas a los fotógrafos el día de retoma y le tomamos su foto de nuevo. Repondremos su paquete sin coste alguno.*

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Important Dates:

- 11/23 & 11/24 - Parent/Teacher conferences
- 11/25 - Early Release
- 11/26 & 11/27 - Thanksgiving break

Enjoy the weekend!

Brian