



OCTOBER 16, 2025

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

I'd like to start this week with a quote from our 6th-grade teacher, Mrs. Cross, reflecting on Adventure Day: "Our Adventure Day was a great success, full of activities at Pelham Park and lots of opportunities to spend time with people from across the school. The time we take to do this comes back tenfold when we're back in the building, maybe when we need to find someone for help (we know so many more people!) or when we offer support to someone we've gotten to know. It also gives us many experiences we can learn from and draw parallels to as we take on and persevere through the challenges of learning each day. Thank you for supporting this great work and celebrating these opportunities."

I share this because at Rowe School, we believe in teaching the whole child. While academics are a primary focus, the less tangible skills described above, collaboration, perseverance, empathy, and a sense of community, are equally essential. These experiences help students build strong work habits, a motivated mindset, and a solid academic foundation that will serve them well throughout their school years and beyond.

As an example of the impact of this approach and the fact that Rowe School remained open throughout the pandemic, this past week Rowe School was recognized as **1 of only 13 districts in the commonwealth** (out of more than 300) to return to pre-pandemic levels of performance in **both** math and reading on last year's MCAS.

Thank you for everyone's assistance in the car line. Taking the extra few moments to wait and pull up for our youngest riders who need help buckling in is making it much safer for everyone.

The Rowe PTP's Trunk or Treat and Community Pot Luck Dinner is at the school next Friday, October 24th. A flyer went home with last week's newsletter

Another reminder that Family Conferences are next week. These will occur on Oct. 29th, Oct. 30th and Oct 31st. The 30th and 31st will be 12:30pm release days. If you haven't signed up yet, for students in **3rd or 4th grade only**, please use the following [LINK](#) to sign up. For parents of students in **all other grades**, please call Laurie to schedule a time.

It's that time of year again for the Holiday Giving Tree. Are you interested in signing your children up for The Holiday Giving Tree this year? The sign-up deadline is Sunday, November 16th! Mary Lyon Foundation organizes The Holiday Giving Tree, which will be displayed at Greenfield Savings Bank (GSB). Each ornament on the tree will be coded to reflect the wants and needs of a child enrolled in the program. All children participating will remain anonymous to the gift giver. Gifts will be returned to GSB, and the Mary Lyon Foundation will collect them and distribute them to families the week of December 15th. If you would like to sign your children up for The Holiday Giving Tree, please click this link: [Holiday Giving Tree](#), or reach out to Nurse Lydia at: 413-512-5100 or lbrisson@roweschool.org.

Finally, there's still time! Call and save your seat for our next Community Lunch, scheduled for this coming Wednesday, October 22nd from 11:45-12:30pm. We will have a roast pork dinner, mashed potatoes, gravy and a roll. Let Laurie know by Tuesday if you will be joining us.

Enjoy the weekend!





STUDENT PROGRESS CONFERENCES

It is that time of year again. Student Conferences will be on Wednesday, Oct. 29th from 3:40-6:00pm, Thursday, Oct. 30th from 12:40pm – 3:00pm and Friday, Oct. 31st from 12:40pm – 3:00pm.

Please call Laurie Laffond at 512-5100 to set up your conference. Thank you.



2025/2026 Charlemont Basketball Registration (Grades 3-6) is now OPEN!

REGISTRATION IS FOR HAWLEMONT
AND ROWE STUDENTS

Click this link to sign up: [Basketball Registration](#)

Registration and Payment Due No Later than Friday, November 14th

- **Practices** will be held 2 days a week starting after Thanksgiving (days/times TBD)
- **Games** will be held Saturday mornings (schedule will be distributed when it is finalized)
- **Fee of \$60** is due upon registering and covers uniform shirt, equipment and referee fees for games. Checks can be made payable to Hawlemont/Rowe Athletics and sent in to the school office with your child by Friday, November 14th.
- **Like** the [Charlemont Athletics](#) Facebook page to stay informed quickly and easily
- **Contact** Shana Totino (814-571-5397) by calling or text with any questions



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Week of Oct. 20th

Monday	Tuesday
Tuna Sandwich	BBQ Chicken
Veggie Sticks	Mashed Potato
Chips	Veggie
Fruit, Milk	Fruit, Milk
Wednesday	Thursday
Roast Pork Dinner	Egg Salad
Mashed Potatoes	Tater Tots
Dinner Roll, Cake	Broccoli
Carrots, Gravy	-----
Fruit, Milk	Fruit, Milk
Friday	
Maxxi Breadsticks, Veggie Sticks	
Fruit, Milk	

EXTRA!
Extra!
Read all
about it...



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 17 th	1/2 day of school – 12:30pm
Oct. 24 th	Tailgate Trick or Treat –
Oct. 29 th	Family Conferences 3:30pm-6:00pm Full School Day
Oct. 30 th	½ Day – Family Conferences 12:30pm-3:30pm
Oct. 31 st	½ Day – Family Conferences 12:30pm-3:30pm
Nov. 4 th	Professional Development Day – No School
Nov. 7 th	1/2 day of school – 12:30pm dismissal - Lunch will be served
Nov. 11 th	Veterans Day – No School
Nov. 21 st	1/2 day of school – 12:30pm dismissal - Lunch will be served
Nov. 26 th	1/2 day of school – 12:30pm dismissal - Lunch will be served
Nov. 27/28	Thanksgiving Break – No School

Trunk or Treat

Organized by the Rowe PTP

Friday
Oct. 24

All are welcome!

Start:
6pm
Trunk set up:
5:30pm



Rowe Elementary School
86 Pond Rd. Rowe, MA



Community potluck to follow in the
cafeteria. Bring a dish to share!

HOLIDAY GIVING TREE

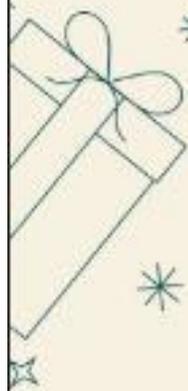
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MIDDLE SCHOOL **ULTIMATE FRISBEE CLINIC**

Saturday, November 1st

1:30-4:30pm

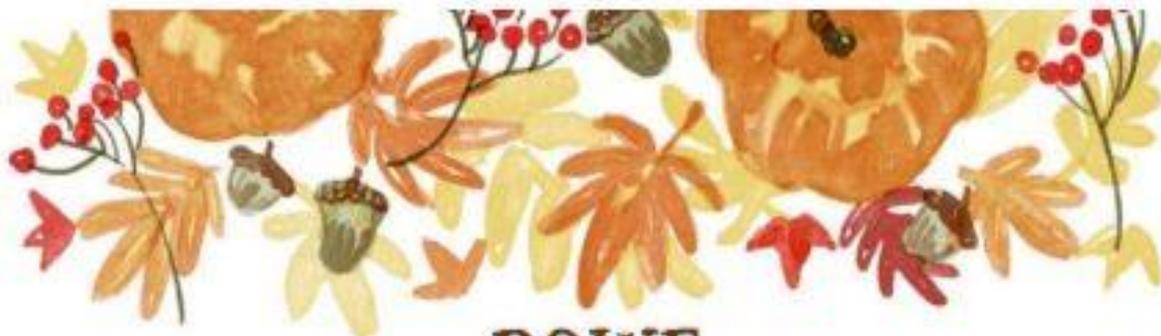
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Charlemont, MA

*Free & open to athletes of all
experience levels in
grades 5-8!*

*Throwing technique, drills,
scrimages, and snacks with
The Academy's coaching staff!*

Register at
[charlemont.org/middle-
school-ultimate-clinic](http://charlemont.org/middle-school-ultimate-clinic)



ROWE FALLAPALOOZA SOCIAL

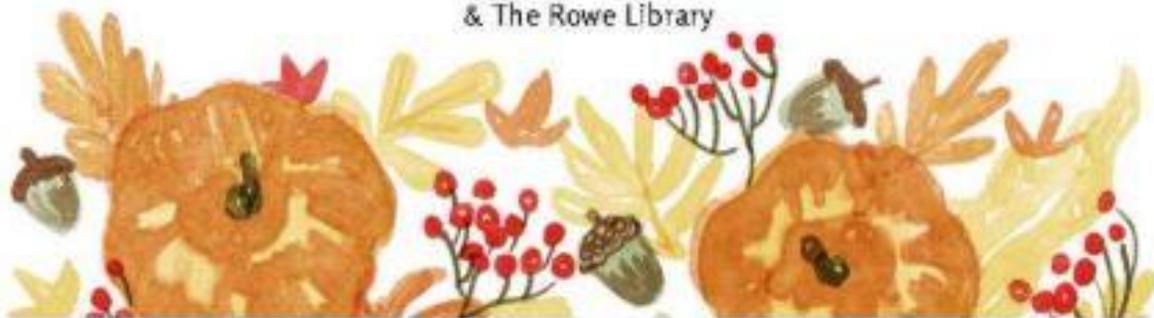
FUN FOR THE FAMILY
OCTOBER 26TH, 2025

12:00PM-2:00PM

COOK-OFF, PUMKIN CARVING, SCARECROW CONTEST, LIVE MUSIC,
TOUCH-A-TRUCK, ROWE HISTORICAL SOCIETY POP-UP W/GHOST
STORIES, GAMES, AND CRAFTS!

COOK OFF: MUST USE CORN OR APPLES

Stone Chapel Across from Town Hall
& The Rowe Library



Families of all ages, join MASS MoCA for after-hours access to select exhibitions, performances, art-making, food, giveaways, and fun!

PUBLIC PROGRAM

FAMILY NIGHT: AFTER HOURS

**Thursday, October 16,
2025, 5:30–7:30pm**

MASS MoCA



MORE INFO

massmoca.org | 413.662.2111
North Adams, Mass.

MUSEUM HOURS

Wednesday – Monday, 10am – 5pm