The Falcon News

November 13, 2026

Auger's Accounts:

Curiosity, community, and discovery in K/1

These past two weeks have been a mix of building new skills, practicing familiar ones, and showing what we know. Much of our literacy work continues to center on helping children communicate their thinking clearly. We have been building and revising complete sentences, returning again and again to the idea that a sentence needs both a naming part and a telling part.

We also began our first Mystery Writing lesson! Mystery Writing uses a series of short instructional videos, discussion, teacher modeling, and student work to guide children through a writing skill one step at a time. In *Butterfly Parade*, we learned that a complete sentence has a subject—who or what the sentence is about—and an action—what the subject is doing. The children practiced finding these parts by boxing the subject and circling the action, then used the same strategy as they worked with sentences themselves. This connected beautifully to our familiar language of the naming part and telling part while introducing more formal writing vocabulary.

In Fundations, Kindergarten continues strengthening lowercase letter formation, letter-keyword-sound connections, and careful listening to sounds in words. First Grade continues applying taught sound and spelling patterns through tapping, building, decoding, spelling, and dictation. Both groups are also becoming more independent with familiar routines while I work directly with the other grade.

Our move into November Number Corner has brought a new set of patterns and mathematical ideas to investigate. We are looking closely at our calendar markers, making predictions, and explaining the patterns and relationships we notice. As November continues, we will explore wholes, halves, and fourths and begin telling time to the hour. We will also work with doubles and halves within 10, continue tracking our days in school now that we have moved into the 50s, and extend our number path into the 40s and 50s.

Our other math work continues to build number sense in different ways. Kindergarten has been counting, building, matching, and comparing quantities, while First Grade continues working with tens and ones, place value, 10 more and 10 less, doubles and near doubles, and part-part-whole number stories. The goal is not simply to find an answer, but to understand how the numbers are related and explain the thinking behind it.

We have also spent some time completing fall assessments and progress monitoring as we prepare for the end of the grading period and our first report cards of the school year. While I meet individually with students, the children practice using familiar literacy and math routines independently. These check-ins help me see what has become secure, what still needs practice, and where we are ready to go next.

Finally, Veterans Day has given us a meaningful opportunity to talk about gratitude, service, and welcoming others. We learned about what it means to be a veteran, made thank-you cards, and practiced ways to help our guests feel welcome at our school Veterans Social. It is a lovely reminder that the skills we practice in our School Family—kindness, appreciation, respect, and thoughtful communication—matter far beyond our classroom.

These past two weeks have asked the children to grow in many ways: thinking more carefully, working more independently, explaining more clearly, and taking pride in what they now know how to do. I love watching that confidence build.

🌟 Student Spotlight 🌟



This student has been working incredibly hard in class. Sophia has been studiously paying attention to her work, even listening to Mrs. Jewell coach her peers to her own betterment. She has really been putting in the time and effort. We are lucky we get to see her incredible progress. You should hear this gal read and look at her handwriting sometime!

The Principal's Post:

Keeping you current with SVS news

6th Grade Wreath Fundraiser! Please call the school to speak to a 6th grader to take your order. 603-636-1092



Lit Wreaths -$24

Unlit Wreaths $20



We are approaching the end of the first trimester, and are already so proud of the gains our kiddos are making, whether it's knowing 24 out of 26 letters, being responsible for raising the flags in the morning, leveling up to. 4.5 in Read Naturally, or how to check our long division with multiplication, we are making some big gains over here in the little white schoolhouse! Be on the lookout for Report Cards on 11/30!

It was Throwback Thursday in Wellness/PE this week when students played Pacman. We made our own chalk mazes, threw in some ghosts and laughed for 40 minutes straight. If you want to give it a whirl come check out the parking lot with your kiddos!





The Jewell Journal: News from ⅔

We have been busy with so many wonderful learning experiences! Last Friday, students had a terrific lesson with the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC), where they explored the changing seasons and looked for signs of fall. They discovered how plants and animals prepare for the coming winter, and they wrapped up their time together by going on a nature walk to gather scavenger hunt items to create their very own nature portraits.

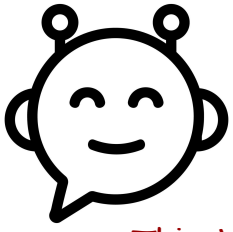
In our Growth Mindset lessons this week, we focused on the "Power of Yet." Students learned how adding that tiny three-letter word to their thoughts about current struggles can shift their perspective and make anything seem possible.

As we prepared for our Veterans Day Social, students also spent time learning about the importance of celebrating our veterans and the many ways our nation honors them. We explored key vocabulary terms and learned about the different branches of the military. To show their appreciation, the students wrote heartfelt letters, made cards, and created beautiful poppies in Art class for our visiting veterans to enjoy during the social.

Finally, we received an exciting one-month update on our adopted calf, Penny! She has grown so much over the past month and now weighs 150 pounds and stands 32 inches tall. We are thrilled to see her making such healthy progress!







Affirmation Alley!

This Week's Positive Affirmations to Try at Home:

- ➔ I am enough.
- ➔ I am growing and learning every day.

Martin's Media Wave:

Updates from 4/5&/ 6th

Our classroom is abuzz with activity. Students are excited for the oncoming winter, for our special afternoon with our Veterans, for our Thanksgiving break, and all things that go with the holiday season.

Students are working on a daily math crossword sheet which gives them practice with addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

Application Mountain Club(AMC) visited recently and our class explored outside. Following instructions from the AMC leaders, students collected leaves, twigs, and moss from the outer forest floor and created designs. Interestingly, this class designed three-dimensional structures which mimicked shelters constructed by the main characters in two of the fictional titles that the class has recently read with a theme of survival!

4th,5th and 6th graders recently completed 'Positive Posters' in Mrs. Lyon's Guidance class. Students worked in groups creating posters with the theme "Bee Kind" encouraging and inspiring everyone who sees them displayed on our hallway to "keep going" and "never give up".

Our 6th grade class is now taking orders for Christmas wreaths. They will be available for pickup Saturday, December 5th at The Gingerbread Bazaar which will be held from 10-2 at the Stark Village School.

The Good Deeds Docket

- K/1 were amazing helpers! They helped carry in packages and also helped to clean up the MPR floor to quickly move inside for P.E. due to weather.
- Everyone has been so kind and welcoming to Ms. True transitioning to SVS.
- Brady is always willing to help his classmates!
- Josie was a kind friend helping to catch Orrin's runaway hat during recess.
- K-6 students worked together to transform the MPR for our Veterans Social!

Counselor's Corner

STARK VILLAGE SCHOOL I NOVEMBER 2026

See digital attachment for links.

NOVEMBER CLASSROOM LESSONS:

- Mrs. Auger's classroom:
  - Performance Task
  - Game Day
  - Noticing Feelings
  - Sometimes We Feel Worried
  - Feeling Calm
- Ms. Jewell's Classroom:
  - Performance Task
  - Game Day
  - Feeling Proud
  - Friendship/Confidence
  - Feeling Disappointed
- Mrs. Martin's Classroom:
  - Red Ribbon Week Escape Room
  - Reflecting on Our Journey
  - Performance Task
  - Games

Lessons may change during the month!



HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH

THE BENEFITS OF PRACTICING GRATITUDE

Practicing gratitude is an excellent way to improve our mental well-being. Here are some benefits your child may experience from practicing gratitude:

- Increased self-esteem
- Increase in positive emotions: happiness, optimism, enthusiasm, and love
- Increase in kindness and generosity
- Fewer physical problems

- Sleep better
- Decrease stress and ability to cope with stress more effectively
- Live longer - being thankful adds 7 years to our lives!

Skittles Gratitude Game
Turn gratitude into a fun family activity by playing The Skittles Gratitude Game - click HERE



M&M's Gratitude Game
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RESOURCES

TIPS FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

- Practicing Gratitude as a Family - Click HERE
- How to Practice Gratitude - Click HERE
- Making Gratitude Fun for the Whole Family - Click HERE

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Brady's Eye on the Sky: Weather Report

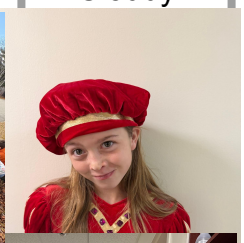
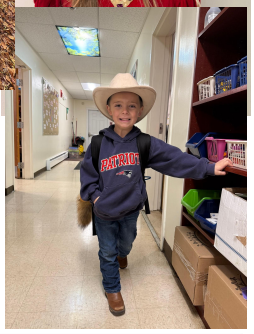
*7 day forecast from Weather Underground

Sat 11/14	Sun 11/15	Mon 11/16	Tues 11/17	Wed 11/18	Thurs 11/19	Fri 11/20
Hi: 38 Low: 29	Hi: 39 Low: 29	Hi: 40 Low: 25	Hi: 48 Low: 31	Hi: 53 Low: 30	Hi: 54 Low:30	Hi: 55 Low: 35
Mostly Cloudy	PM snow showers	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy







Monday Guidance	Tuesday Art	Wednesday Library Media	Thursday Wellness	Friday Music
16 Picture Retakes	17	18	19	20 Thanksgiving Lunch End of Trimester 1
23	24	25 Early Release 11:15AM	26 Thanksgiving No School	27 No School
30 Report Cards Home	1	2	3	4 Band
7	8 Holiday Lunch RSVPs Due	9	10 WMSI	11 Holiday Lunch