The Falcon News

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Auger's Accounts:

Curiosity, community, and discovery in K/1

November has brought a cozy rhythm to our classroom, grounded in kindness, gratitude, and shared purpose. From celebrating World Kindness Day to preparing for Thanksgiving, our learning this month has focused on caring—for ourselves, one another, and the broader community around us.

In honor of World Kindness Day on Thursday, November 13, we read *I Walk with Vanessa*, a moving wordless picture book that invited deep reflection about empathy and the courage it takes to stand up for others. Earlier in the week, *Bear Snores On* sparked joyful conversations about friendship and sharing, while *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* gave us space to talk about managing tough emotions and supporting each other during hard moments. These stories helped us practice not just reading skills, but emotional awareness and connection—important lessons that ripple throughout our school days.

That same spirit of gratitude came to life as we prepared for the school's Veterans Day Brunch. Our students created heartfelt postcards, crafted red, white, and blue bracelets as thank-you gifts, and helped decorate the cafeteria with stars, flags, and artwork. These hands-on projects were a meaningful way to honor those who serve, and our classroom was full of pride and purpose as the children worked.

Academically, we've been revisiting important skills in both reading and math as we wrap up our first trimester. Kindergarteners are working on letter sounds and story retelling, while First Graders are building fluency, decoding more complex words, and identifying story elements like characters, setting, and problem/solution. In math, we've been using ten-frames, number lines, and hands-on strategies to explore combinations to 10—and for some First Graders, up to 20. These daily routines support place value understanding, flexible thinking, and mathematical confidence across both grade levels.

As we head into Thanksgiving week, our read-alouds and songs continue to highlight themes of thankfulness, friendship, and coming together as a school family. Thank you for sharing your amazing children with us—they bring curiosity, kindness, and joy into our classroom every single day.

🌟 Student Spotlight 🌟

This week's student spotlight is actually a dual spotlight!!

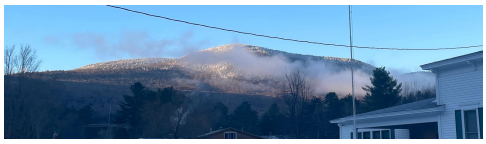
Mrs. Auger wanted to recognize **Celia** and **Noah!** They have done a phenomenal job in class and recently worked together to read the morning message, a tricky task for first graders! Way to go you two!



The Principal's Post:

Keeping you current with SVS news

Do you ever catch yourself noticing that glimmer of good—the small moment that sparks a feeling of awe and peace?





This time of year, on my way into school, I'm lucky enough to watch the sun chase away the shadows on Devil's Slide and Hutchins Mountain. Then, at the end of some days, I get to enjoy the colorful lights on the bridge and the soft glow from the church. I often find myself feeling truly content—a marvelous way to end the day.

Not only do I work with an amazing team of educators, but I also have the opportunity to learn from and with some of our town's most marvelous humans: our kiddos. In a tumultuous world, it brings such relief and hope to know that our youngest generation care for one another, look for the good in each other, and stand up for each other.

In the past two weeks, we've had the honor of sharing meals with many of our families at the Thanksgiving luncheon and with our Veterans at the Veterans brunch. When I asked the students what I should say during my introduction, they reminded me that first and foremost I needed to tell the Veterans, "Thank you... and that we're glad you're here."

I think that sentiment should extend to the rest of our community, too.

So—thank you. And I'm glad you're here today.

The Jewell Journal: News from ⅔

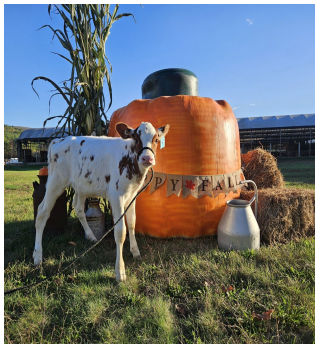
Students concluded their Work of Water unit with an exciting, hands-on activity called Erosion Engineering. They successfully applied their knowledge of water dynamics and erosion by designing and testing multiple solutions to prevent soil loss. Using a model hill made of cornmeal, they learned firsthand how different designs keep water from washing the "land" away.

Our math journey is progressing well! Students have been focusing on the crucial skill of telling time to the quarter hour and have just begun exploring elapsed time. Additionally, we are strengthening our foundational skills by concentrating on math fact fluency, particularly doubles and near doubles. Students are also continuing their work with patterns and predictions, developing important analytical thinking skills.

We have been diving into the fascinating world of Dairy Farming! Students are learning that this is a way of life for over 40,000 farm families across the United States. We are exploring the ins and outs of operating a farm, the importance of animal health, and the dedicated ways farmers care for their cows daily.

Calf Update! We were thrilled to receive the one-month update on our adopted calf, Ginger! The students were very excited to learn that she has already grown four inches!





Riddle Me This!

I can fall but never get hurt.

What am I?

Answer in next issue!

Answer from last issue: A Candle





Martin's Media Wave: Updates from 4/5/6

The 4th, 5th and 6th grade classroom has been abuzz with students completing work for the close of the 1st trimester. Our school year is flying by!

We are proud to announce that 7 students have successfully tested out of their New Hampshire county unit. In addition, 7 students have successfully completed their multiplication practice, five students recently "graduated" from cursive study. Kudos to this awesome work!

On November 14th, students were excited to welcome Veterans into our school for a Veteran's Day Tribute. Our multi-purpose room was nearly full and the kids were so pleased to welcome our Veterans with songs and brunch.

With the assistance of Mrs. Peel and Mrs. Rogers, our classroom is creating some Christmas decorations for the Gingerbread Bazaar, which will be held at the Stark Village School on December 6th.

Our 6th grade class has been selling Christmas wreaths. In less than one week they have sold out!

Brady's Eye on the Sky: Weather Report

*7 day forecast from Weather Underground

Sat 11/22	Sun 11/23	Mon 11/24	Tues 11/25	Wed 11/26	Thurs 11/27	Fri 11/28
Hi: 41° Low: 29°	Hi: 38° Low: 34°	Hi: 42° Low: 32°	Hi: 43° Low: 41°	Hi: 50° Low: 36°	Hi: 40° Low: 31°	Hi: 36° Low: 27°
Cloudy	Cloudy	AM Cloud PM Sun	PM Showers	Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy



Izzy's Craft Corner

For this Thanksgiving Turkey Craft, you'll need:

- A toilet paper tube
- Googly eyes (or a black marker to create eyes)
- Construction paper in a few different colors (orange, yellow, brown, red)
- Glue or a glue stick
- Scissors

Steps for Making

1. Trace your hand with a pencil on the yellow, orange, and brown paper.
2. Cut them out.
3. Glue them together so they look like feathers.
4. Glue the feathers to the back of the toilet paper roll.
5. Draw on the eyes or use googly eyes.
6. Cut out a beak from the yellow paper.
7. Cut out the wattle from the red paper.
8. Glue on the wattle first and then the beak.
9. Place it on your table to decorate for Thanksgiving!!

Happy Thanksgiving!



History with Harper

Spotlight- Stark Union Church





The Stark Village Covered Bridge is a historical landmark in the town of Stark, New Hampshire. It was built sometime around 1862.

The Covered Bridge is often called “the most photographed bridge in New Hampshire”. It has a single lane in the middle for vehicles and two walking paths on either side. The bridge managed to get saved from a demolition in the 1950s.

The Covered Bridge has gone through many notable floods, the most severe in the 1890s and again in the 1940s. A small flood broke away the center pier during the storm in the 1890s, the bridge was carried downstream. The people in town built new stone piers, brought the bridge back, and reset it. In 1938, they had to repair the arches, but the bridge sagged, and in 1946 the center pier was replaced with one of cement. In 1954, steel stringers were put under the bridge.

Today, the Stark bridge remains in the heart of Stark Village along with the beautiful Stark Church and our Stark Village School and in the background, the rise of Devil’s Slide.

(*History of Stark, New Hampshire,* Stark Bicentennial Committee)



November/ December

Monday Guidance	Tuesday Art	Wednesday Library Media	Thursday Wellness	Friday Music
24	25	26 Early Release 11:15 Thanksgiving Recess	27 **No School** **Thanksgiving**	28 **No School**
1	2 School Board Meeting 5:30pm	**3**	4	5 Band _____ 6(Saturday) Gingerbread Bazaar 9:00-3:00 Wreath Pick up Day!
8	9	10 WMSI	11	12 Band

The Good Deeds Docket

- Adam wanted everyone to know that Celia was being a good friend when she picked up his glove when they walked into the building and returned it.
- Amelia and Amelie helped Ms. Rachel clean up some spilled scrambled eggs!
- Ella and Kinley volunteered to get the rest of their friends water bottles from inside during PE.
- Matthew volunteered to mop up a mess during lunch, giving up his own time to help!
- Ms. Rachel prepared a fantastic lunch for the family luncheon and Veteran's Brunch!
- Mrs. Jewell's music class did an outstanding job singing to Veterans.
- The recess soccer teams have welcomed K/1 amatuer soccer enthusiasts to play with them.
- Mrs. Martin is the school coffee preparer and we couldn't thank her more! -Ms. Landry

