



# PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER - MAY '21

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## Important Upcoming Events:

- Mon., May 31 - Memorial Day, No School
- Wed., June 2 - Farm and Field Day
- Thursday, June 3: PTO Meeting - 6:30 pm: OUTSIDE AND IN PERSON! Virtual will be available if you are not comfortable with in-person. We will be socially distanced, and most of us are vaccinated.
- Tuesday June 8, 6:00 pm - School Board Meeting via GoogleMeet (link on our website)
- June 10 - Step Up Day: students get to spend the morning meeting their teacher for next year!
- June 17 - Last day of school, early dismissal
- June 19 - 9 am - 1 pm: Community Yard Sale and Makers Market at SES

*Dear Families,*

Memorial Day weekend is upon us! As this weekend marks the unofficial start of summer, I can't help but look forward to the next few weeks of school. This time of year we tend to see an overwhelming amount of energy from students. The ability to focus on school work becomes harder and harder. Trust me, I get it. The warmth of the sun, the longer days and the anticipation of summer vacation amps us all to a place where sitting in a classroom and working seems daunting at best. This is why I encourage the staff to get our students outside as much as possible to learn through hands-on and nature based activities.

Our gardens are a great tool to teach science, math, nutrition, and conduct inquiry based experiments.

Our woods offer the opportunity to observe changes in our landscape, exercise our bodies while hiking the trails and make nature based observations.

Walks through town can lead to historical understandings of our place by investigating our buildings and cemetery for signs of the past. Just simply lying on our field, looking up in the sky and taking a moment to just be can lead to a sense of calmness that allows us to move forward through our day. Please take a moment to check in with your child to ask how they are doing and what fun activities they are experiencing here at school.

I hope you and your family can join me in taking some time this weekend to reflect on the meaning of Memorial Day. Spend time outside, spend time with loved ones, and come back refreshed for our last stretch of school.

*Respectfully,*

*Keenan Haley*



## Library News

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Hello SES Families,

It's that time of year when I start to think about the SUMMER READING CHALLENGE. Your child will be bringing home a packet of information soon. You don't have to sign up ahead of time for the summer reading program. You will have everything you need to support your children reading this summer right there in the packet. If your child is more comfortable reading digital books (or listening to them), there are digital copies of everything. You can find all of the information on the Downer Memorial Library Website (Follow the link on [sharonelementary.org](http://sharonelementary.org))

In addition, students can borrow up to 10 books for the summer. If you want your child to check out books for the summer, please fill out the Summer Loan form (on the website) or look for the paper copy in the summer reading packet.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Happy Reading! - *Mrs. Hop*

## Community Yard Sale and Makers Market

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**Saturday, June 19th, 2021 from 9am-1pm at the school!**

Cost for space: Suggested \$15 donation to the Sharon PTO (cash or checks only) — Space: 10x12 foot space

YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN TABLES AND CHAIRS. FEEL FREE TO BRING A TENT IF YOU WOULD LIKE.

Do you have yard sale items and no place to hold a yard sale? Are you a crafter or a maker and want a place to sell your goods? This is your opportunity! Please join the Sharon PTO to sell your yard sale items or craft/makers goods.

Please contact Angie Carpenter-Henderson if you would like to reserve a space.

**Email: [carpentera10@gmail.com](mailto:carpentera10@gmail.com).**

**COME CELEBRATE THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!**

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