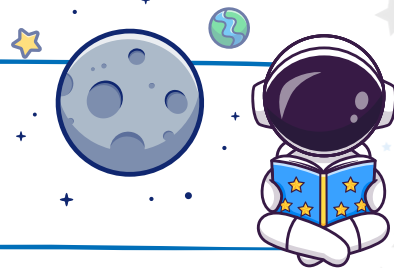




PRINCIPAL NEWSLETTER



PRINCIPAL MESSAGE OCTOBER 13TH, 2026

Dear SES Families,

As we settle into the crisp, vibrant days of October, I want to take a moment to express how incredibly proud I am of our students. Walking through the hallways of Scotland Elementary School, I see minds at work, friendships growing, and an unmistakable energy for learning. We are well on our way to a fantastic school year.

Looking ahead, an essential milestone is quickly approaching. Our Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the end of October. At Scotland Elementary, we firmly believe that your child's education is a shared journey. These conferences represent a cornerstone of our parent-school partnership. When we align our support—combining your deep knowledge of your child with our teachers' academic expertise—we create an unstoppable foundation for growth. This is our opportunity to connect, celebrate initial successes, and map out tailored pathways for the academic year ahead.

Our message to you as we prepare for these conversations is one of profound hope and unwavering belief. We are committed to achieving greatness this year for each and every child at our school. To us, greatness isn't a single standard; it is defined by the individual breakthroughs, steady progress, and personal victories of your child. We are fiercely dedicated to the unique learning success of each individual student, ensuring they feel seen, challenged, and supported.

To help you get the most out of your upcoming conference, here are a few quick tips to help you prepare as the time is often limited to 10-15 minutes:

- **Ask your child first:** *Find out what they feel proud of and what they find challenging before you arrive.*
- **Write down your questions:** *Jot down any specific academic or social-emotional thoughts you want to cover.*
- **Focus on collaboration:** *Look at the meeting as a team strategy session for your child's success.*

You will begin to receive specific scheduling details from your child's teacher. Please make every effort to attend, as your presence sends a powerful message to your child about the value of their education. Thank you for your continued trust, partnership, and dedication to the Scotland Elementary community. Together, we will make this a year of boundless growth and greatness.

Warmly,
Ann Knowles
Principal, Scotland Elementary School

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, October 14th (1st of 7 sessions)

- Circle of Security Parenting Class 5:30-7 PM
Pre-registration to Dr. Rijs: jrijs@scotlandes.org

Monday, October 19th

- Field Trip Gr. 3 & 4 Florence Griswold Museum
- LYMAN PIES & Cookie Dough due back

Tuesday, October 20th

- 3 PM Family Event Pumpkin Decorating



Wednesday, October 21st (2nd of 7 sessions)

- 5:30 - 7 PM Circle of Security Parenting Class

Thursday, October 22nd

- 5:30-7 PM ECESC Community Table via Zoom with EastConn

Friday, October 23rd

- 6-7 PM Trunk or Treat at PHHS



Wednesday, October 28th (3rd of 7 sessions)

- 5:30 - 7 PM Circle of Security Parenting Class

Thursday, October 29th - Friday, October 30th

- 1:00 PM Early Release Days for Students
- **Parent - Teacher Conferences** in afternoon
- Scholastic Book Fair in school library
- Friday, Oct. 30th SPIRIT DAY Wear your costume

Saturday, October 31st

- Happy Halloween



Sunday, November 1st

- Daylight Saving Time ends



Tuesday, November 3rd

- Election Day - We Have School
- 6:30 PM Board of Education in school library

Wednesday, November 4th (4th of 7 sessions)

- 5:30 - 7 PM Circle of Security Parenting Class

Wednesday, November 11th

- NO School - Veteran's Day

