

Reading Elementary School
Principal's Report

The Reading Elementary School experienced a year full of enriched learning opportunities for both students and staff in the 2022-2023 school year. Current enrollment for grades Pre-Kindergarten through fourth is 34, with students coming from multiple towns within the MVSU district and Weathersfield.

Over the course of the 2022-2023 school year, RES faculty took part in a multitude of activities that increased their skills as educators with the overall goal of benefiting student learning and growth. All RES educators participated in the LETRS program, which is an intensive training in best practices in literacy instruction based on the science of reading.

The core academics at RES are also supported with genuine experiences that connect our school to the surrounding communities. In the past year, students engaged in artist residencies with the Saint Gaudens National Historical Park sculptor, visited Sculpture Fest in Woodstock, traveled to Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park, and participated in hands-on learning with the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Students have also made meaningful connections within the Reading community by partnering with a local resident to plant and harvest pumpkins behind the fire department, collaborating with the town librarian to carve pumpkins, and visiting the renowned Hall Art Foundation.

These experiences would not have been possible without the support received from the generosity of donors in our school and community. Both the Hall Art Foundation and the Reading PTO are exceptional supporters of our school. The support allows for RES students to partake in learning opportunities directed at growing as a whole.

Finally, we are grateful to parents and the larger community for their support of our students. Together, as a team, we create a safe, welcoming environment that allows all students to prosper.