

# CRMS Schooner News

**Kindness**

**Responsibility**

**Self Control**

**Grit**

## IMPORTANT DATES

[Friday, June 11](#) - Marsh/Alley 5th grade field trip.

[Monday, June 7, 9am](#) - Vaccination clinic.

[Monday, June 7](#) - Thorn/Marsh/Alley 5th grade Bishopswood field trip.

[Tuesday, June 8](#) - **VOTE** on the district budget Referendum for the 21-22 school year.

[Tuesday & Wednesday, June 8 & 9](#) - 5th grade schooner trips (rain dates 10 & 11th).

[Monday, June 14](#) - 4/5 student step up via zoom during school.

[Monday, June 14, 6:30pm](#) - 4th to 5th step up parent meeting, via Zoom.

[Monday, June 14](#) - Keefe/Campagnoli 5th grade library field trip.

[Monday & Tuesday, June 14 & 15](#) - 6th grade morning field trips.

[Tuesday, June 15, 1:30pm](#) - 8th grade Sculpture Spectacle!

[Tuesday, June 15](#) - 6th Field day.

[Wednesday, June 16](#) - 7th grade field trips.

[Wednesday, June 16, 6:30pm](#) - 8th grade Promotion Ceremony, (rain date 17th).

[Thursday, June 17th](#) - 7th, 8th grade field trips.

[Friday, June 18th, 1:15pm](#) - **EARLY DISMISSAL - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Schooner Community,

We're sad to say farewell to some of our AMAZING staff at the end of this year! We are sending a HUGE amount of gratitude for the great work you've done for THOUSANDS of our children and families you have supported over the years.

### Leaving After More than a Decade!

Matthew Smith, our fantastic Assistant Principal, is heading home to England at the end of the summer to be closer to family. Matt has been at CRMS for 13 years, 12 as an assistant principal. Matt is known for walking faster than anyone in the building, being a schedule guru, running awesome school assemblies and making the best color coded spreadsheets around! Matt helped support many children and families through some of the most challenging years of their lives and he does this with grace and compassion. Thank you, Matt for your years of dedication.

Fern Campagnoli has been a beloved Fifth Grade Teacher here for 13 years. Before that she spent 14 years at CRES. Fern has been an educator for 43 years! She is known for her wit and humor, her love of writing and calm and patient approach to children. Mrs. Keefe and Mrs. Campagnoli have been a teaching team for many years! They are a dynamic duo. While Fern is retiring as a lead teacher we are grateful she will continue to be with us as an Ed Tech! Thank you Fern for all of your years of service as a lead teacher!

Beth York has been an amazing Special Education Teacher at CRMS for 21 years. She has worked in education for 39 years. She is known for her strong work as an advocate for students with disabilities, as a support directly to them and their families and she runs workshops for our students to help them develop understanding and compassion around what it's like to be a person with a disability. Beth is retiring to spend more time with her parents and enjoy some more time in nature. Thank you for your service!

### Leaving after one or more years of service!

Jen Thorn has been our Long Term Sub in grade five this year, an Ed Tech and has served in several long term teacher sub positions in her time at CRMS. Jen is known for being kind, caring and steadfast in her support for students. She's a mom to all she teaches and she will be missed! We're so happy for her as she moves into her first certified teaching position as a Middle School ELA Teacher in Hope. They are getting a gem! Thank you for your service!

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Mike Seeger has been an awesome Ed Tech in our day treatment program. He is known for always being up for a new adventure, taking stunning pictures and doing great video work with our students. He's headed to CRES to be their new Behaviorist! Congrats Mike and thank you!

Liz Drury, Grade 7 Social Studies Long Term Sub has done an excellent job running our grade level curriculum for our students. Our teacher, Sarah Whittam will be returning from maternity leave this fall. Thank you, Liz, for your HARD work all year!

Thank you Nathan Sprangers for being our Music Long Term Sub this year. Our students especially loved Rock Band with you! We wish you the best as you move on to new adventures.

Mike Egeland is leaving his position as Athletic Coordinator. We appreciate the years Mike has supported our programs, coaches and student athletes. Thank you and best wishes Mike!

Thank you to Celia Jones for being a Long Term Sub for us this year. She has worked with several grade levels spending most of her time in grade 7 and 8. She also has taught our special programs how to play the Ukulele and provided impromptu concerts during arrival. Thank you, Celia!

Thank you to Chris Tofani and Nick Denny for being our tag team Permanent Subs this year. They have done it all! We are SO grateful for their flexibility and positive attitudes!

Thank you to our lunch monitors, Jackie and Megin who helped us magically move from 4 to 8 lunch periods this year so we could follow COVID protocols and open to ALL of our students!

We will miss you and thank you for ALL you have done!

Jaime Stone  
Principal



## NEW CREW TO WELCOME FOR THE 21-22 SCHOOL YEAR!



### **MATTHEW GORDON, BAND AND MUSIC TEACHER**

Born and raised in Paris, Texas, I attended the University of North Texas for my Bachelor's in Music Education before moving on to a Master's degree in Music Performance at Ohio University. For the past five years I've worked as a musician and educator, instructing everything from elementary general music to instrumental music, and even digital music production! My favorite parts of being a music teacher are building relationships with the students and seeing them grow as musicians and individuals. I am thrilled to be a part of Camden-Rockport Middle School!

In my spare time, I enjoy distance running, reading, and baking. I'm particularly fond of baking bread and sweet treats!

### **HEATHER BUTLER, 5TH GRADE TEACHER**

I moved here from Connecticut this past fall to be near family and the place we love. I am a graduate of Camden High (Husband too) and a teacher for many years (22 years). I have experience teaching many years as a 4th and 5th grade teacher and also middle school history. I am coming from South School as a 4/5 Homeroom and Reading Teacher. I have three boys Caleb (9th grade at CHRHS, Wesley - 5th grade Appleton Village, Colton - 2nd grade - Appleton Village). When I am not teaching I am usually at a baseball game :), reading, or enjoying the outdoors! I am so excited to be back in Camden teaching in the town we have always called home and teaching my favorite subjects ELA and Social Studies! I am thrilled to join the Camden Rockport Middle School community!



### **RYAN WATTS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

I'm really excited and grateful to be joining the Camden Rockport community! I'm coming to you most recently from Gotham High School, where I've served as the Assistant Principal. With 19 years working in education, I can confidently say I enjoy the students and the communities I serve. Supporting children at a time in their lives when they are experiencing such significant growth and change is extremely rewarding.

It has been a dream of mine to come back to the midcoast and to work professionally where I grew up. In Babe Ruth league, I made a lucky fly ball catch running into the trees at the baseball field that was on route one in Rockport. As a teen I worked at Camden Pottery, creating sculptures while also tending the register.

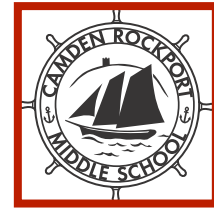
I am beyond excited to be coming to Camden Rockport Middle School and I look forward to connecting, and in some cases reconnecting, with all of you soon. You'll find that I am as approachable, lighthearted, and hardworking out in the community as I am working with students and serving our schools.



**(NEW 21-22 CREW cont.)**

**RITA ACKLEY, ED TECH**

My husband, kids, and I moved back to Maine 9 1/2 years ago (my husband is the Mainer, I was raised in Kentucky) after living almost 16 years in Virginia. We have been married over 25 years and have two kids, Matthew is 22 and Sara is 14. After serving my time in the Air Force, I was a stay at home mom for many years. I started subbing in the Camden Rockport School district 7 years ago in order to have a flexible schedule. I have enjoyed my time subbing at CRMS and have decided to join full time. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with my family, reading, and making quilts.



Please remember to vote on Tuesday, June 8th for the SAD District Budget Referendum

[https://sad.fivetowns.net/school\\_board/budget\\_and\\_financial\\_statements](https://sad.fivetowns.net/school_board/budget_and_financial_statements)



**NEWS FROM THE WELLNESS TEAM**

As winners of the 2021 Penny Wars, the 8th grade is proud to present a check for \$606.25 to the Landing Place. The Landing Place is located in the heart of Rockland. It offers supportive programming for at-risk youth in the mid-coast who are experiencing unstable housing, food insecurity, and different types of adversity. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing organization in our community, and we are pleased to support them. This was truly a whole school effort. Thank you all for participating!

**2020-2021 CRMS Library by the Numbers**

**12,696** Books checked out  
 7,243 physical  
 5,696 digital

**13** Co-Taught Units in the Library

**176** overdue books

**June 11** Day by which all books are due

**TOP 5** Books this year

**1** Gorgeous New Space

**1** Grateful Librarian

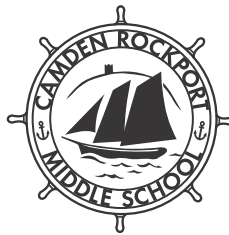
**Thank you to the Small Wonder Gallery in Camden for donating the frame for the recognition certificate that Jaime received from the Maine state House of Representatives for her 2021 Principal of the year award!**

**Thank you Vicki Doudera for making this gesture happen at the state level.**



### CRMS TRACK AND FIELD 20-21

The 2021 Girls and Boys track teams had incredibly successful seasons. Most participants in the two groups were new to the sport but all the athletes quickly picked up the necessary skills for the many challenging events. Long standing records were broken and both teams entered the Championship meet undefeated. Results of the championships will be announced next week. A special shout out to all the volunteers that made the season so successful. Your willingness to jump in to assist is wildly appreciated!! The Coaches





**CRMS SOFTBALL  
20-21**

*THANK YOU COACHES,  
PARENTS AND PLAYERS FOR  
A GREAT 20-21 SOFTBALL  
SEASON. IT WAS A BRIEF  
BUT SUCCESSFUL ENDING  
AT A 5-3 RECORD!*





*CRMS BASEBALL 20-21*  
*THANK YOU COACHES, PARENTS AND PLAYERS FOR A GREAT SEASON!*



## CONGRATULATIONS MR. MORSE!

The Blueberry Broadcasting Teachers Appreciation Award Program encourages listeners from all of their stations to nominate educators who have or are making a difference in their children's lives. More than one current and former students and parents nominated Jim and used words and phrases such as: "Clever, engaging, motivating, inspiring, fun, "best teacher ever"; "kids look forward to his class and lessons"; "full interactive role play of topics being studied Make learning real and fun at the same time". Jim was chosen as the May 2021 recipient. His award includes recognition on all their radio stations, various gift certificates, a one night stay at the Senator Inn and Spa and a special keepsake from the Blueberry Broadcasting Teacher Appreciation Award Program. We are all very happy for you Mr. Morse. Congratulations!



I had the privilege of spending time in ALEKS math with nearly every student in grades 5, 6 and 7 this year with a few 8th graders thrown in for good luck. I would love to continue our math relationship and will be available this summer for one-to-one tutoring with your awesome 6th-12th grader. If you, as a parent, would like to brush up, I'll meet with you too! \$40/hour keeps things simple. Ask your kid about me or see my profile on page 4 of the CRMS staff directory [here](#). I can be reached at 207 691-1049 or [chris.mcbride10@gmail.com](mailto:chris.mcbride10@gmail.com). Have a great summer! Chris McBride

8TH GRADE STUDENT TESSA BYRNES HAS BEEN NOMINATED BY PRINCIPAL STONE TO BE OUR CRMS STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE CLASS OF 2025 AT CHRHS. BASED ON TESSA'S LEADERSHIP AND ACTION ORIENTED FOCUS HERE AT CRMS, WE THINK YOU WILL BE A GREAT FIT! CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU FOR BEING SUCH A STRONG, COMPASSIONATE LEADER! WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!







**WHEN: Monday, June 14**

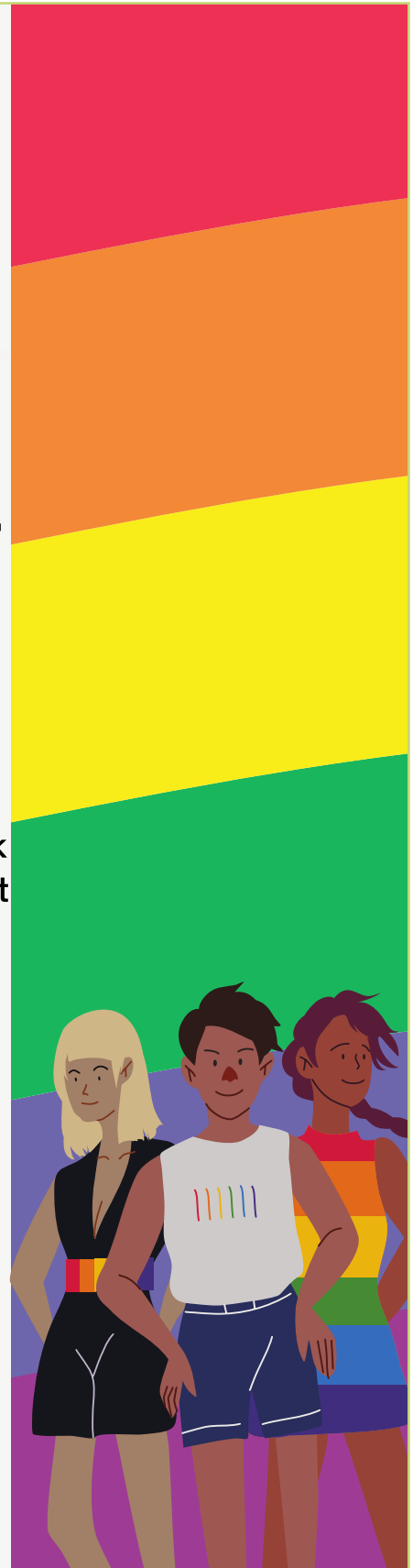
**TIME: 3:30 - 4:00pm**

**WHERE: CRMS**

With a police escort, we will start at CRMS, walk down Knowlton St., turn left onto Mechanic, right up Washington, left on Alden St. and then right back up Knowlton, ending at CRMS.

**WHAT: Marching proudly  
with our LGBTQ+  
community**

**Everyone is welcome!  
We hope to see you there!**





# CHills Summer Field Hockey 2021

We're ready for summer field hockey, and we hope you are too! Details can be found on the online registration link.

**Tues & Thurs evenings July-early August**

Email [lkclement@gmail.com](mailto:lkclement@gmail.com) with questions.



PLEASE ASK YOUR STUDENT TO LOOK THROUGH THE LOST AND FOUND RACK BEFORE THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! ALL REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TO CHARITY ON JUNE 21ST!

## DOE PRIORITY NOTICE

### Emergency **Broadband** Benefit Program Launches Tomorrow

Dear Champions of Education,

We are excited to share with you that the FCC is launching the Emergency **Broadband** Benefit program tomorrow, May 12, which provides a discount of \$50/month to eligible households for **broadband** access (\$75/ month if the household lives on Tribal lands). Cost is one of the barriers for accessing **broadband** for work and learning that families across the country have identified.

Because so much of our messaging and communications relies on **broadband** access, we need to employ all partnerships to ensure that those households who can benefit from this program are aware of the opportunity. We hope that you will join us in reaching out to families in your schools who might be able to take advantage of this opportunity. Sample announcements and informational poster can be found at: <https://www.fcc.gov/emergency-broadband-benefit-outreach-toolkit>.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to reduce this inequity for Maine students.

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## The Dance N' Art Studio

### KIDS C.A.M.P.

Creative Arts & Movement Program

KIDS C.A.M.P. is a program for children that focuses on different visual and performing arts.

- Children who enroll in C.A.M.P. participate in the Jumpstart Programs as well as Movement to Music (M2M) Classes, 1 hour each, everyday.
- Our Jumpstart Programs gets them hands-on in the vast world of visual arts and our M2M Classes keep them active while focusing on different performing arts.
- Learn different dance styles, musicality in dance, proper technique, keeping time, musical theater and improv/acting skills in M2M. Iconic dancers & different eras will be discussed throughout the sessions. 5 different styles of dance taught. 1 a day, repeated weekly. Dance Moves (Not Limited to): Hip-Hop, Tap, Jazz, etc.
- Jumpstart examines the many styles of art, different artists, their time periods, etc. Projects will occur on a weekly, bi-weekly and monthly basis depending on the project. Create S.T.E.A.M. inspired art, cornucow, sculpting, 3D pens and so much more.
- Sessions are limited in size giving children more one on one attention with instructions and are grouped by school grade so all dance levels/artwork are age appropriate.
- Art is expressive and essential for people of all ages... This enriching program for children encourages exercise and creativity along with imagination! Don't miss out!

Come and Join us For a FREE day of C.A.M.P.

**WHO & WHEN:** 1st to 3rd grade: Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:30  
 4th to 6th grade: Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:30  
**WHERE:** 161 Main St (Route 1) Thomaston, ME  
**FMI:** CALL/TEXT: 207-691-4560

\* If you enjoy playing with slime, this day is for you.. You'll LOVE making not 1, but 2 different types of slime and comparing them in this S-T-E-A-M project at the Art Studio! Over in the Dance Studio you'll learn some Hip-Hop moves and create a Hip-Hop combo with remixes from some of your fan fave kids movies! Space is limited so hurry and sign-up



Summer programs for grades 1st thru 10th!  
[www.mountainseaexp.com](http://www.mountainseaexp.com)  
scholarships available

**Camden Area Youth Seamanship Program (CAYSP)**

- Where rowing, sailing, & coastal exploring are available for EVERYONE!
- **Generous Financial Aid** with easy application to join this outdoor community
- Morning, Afternoon, and Full Day Classes
- **Safety First.** US Sailing Certified Instructors with a 6:1 ratio
- Fun on land and sea. Skills to take anywhere. Make new friends - ages 6-18

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**SAIL CAYSP**

**Windjammer BASKETBALL CAMP**  
For Players entering grades 7-9

**JULY 12-16**  
9AM - 11am, 12pm-2pm

Hosted By **CHRHS**  
Coaches and Players

At Camden Hills Regional High School  
Questions? Contact Jon Moro at  
[JON.MORO@FIVETOWNS.NET](mailto:JON.MORO@FIVETOWNS.NET)  
CALL : 207-691-7564

REGISTRATION FEE **\$120**

**Reminder about Medications in Nurse's Office - Epi Pens, Inhalers, Pills:** For those who have medications at school, be sure to schedule a time to retrieve them from the nurse office. If they are not picked up, they will be properly disposed of by nursing staff.  
Thank you! Gretchen Kuhn, RN 236-7805 x 2108

HAVE A SAFE, RESTFUL AND FUN-FILLED SUMMER VACATION AND WE WILL SEE YOU BACK IN SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021!



CRMS Schooners

