



CRMS Schooner News

Kindness

Responsibility

Self Control

Grit

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, Nov. 7 - PLEASE VOTE !!!

Thursday, Nov. 9 - Band and Chorus District 3 Auditions in Freeport. Please send snacks, water with your student!

Thursday, Nov. 9, 2:30pm - Veteran's Day assembly at CRMS. Veteran's in our school community are welcome to attend.



Friday, Nov. 10 - **NO SCHOOL.**
VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY

Monday, Nov. 13 - Maine Through Year Assessments mailed home this week.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 7pm - Camden Rockport Schools Board meeting at Rose Hall.

Thursday, Nov. 16, 7pm - 7th Grade Learning to See Exhibition. Everyone is welcome!

Monday, Nov. 20 - **TEACHER WORKSHOP DAY - NO SCHOOL.**

Tuesday, Nov. 21 - **STUDENT LED CONFERENCES - NO SCHOOL.** Sign up information will be coming soon!

Wednesday - Friday, Nov. 22-24 - **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY BREAK - NO SCHOOL.**

Friday, Dec. 1 - Christmas by the Sea weekend

Friday, Dec. 1 - End of Trimester 1

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Schooner Families,

Happy fall and welcome to the month of giving thanks. I love this quote and share it almost every year. **Slowing down** to take stock of all we have in our lives can truly enrich our lives.

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life.

It turns what we have into enough, and more.

It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity.

It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend".

Melody Beattie

Our staff, students, and families are always on my list of things to be grateful for. Thank you for being true partners in creating a caring and healthy community at CRMS and in our towns.

If you find yourself having the means to make donations to help us support our families this winter season I hope you will. Please read more on the following page for more details.

In service and with gratitude,

*Jaime Stone
Principal*

In partnership with
Student Support Services and
Wellness Committee



**Gift cards may be sent to
the CRMS office**

Gift Card Drive

Support students and families within our school community by donating gift cards to the following locations:

- Renys
- Hannafords
- Walmart
- TJMaxx/Homegoods

Gift cards will be distributed to families to support the holiday season. Any amount is appreciated.

Help make the holidays special

Thank you for your support!



December Helping Hands Campaign

Each holiday season we are always filled with gratitude as families reach out to support other CRMS families. We truly are fortunate to have an abundance of kindness and empathy within our school community! This year we have two different ways people can contribute to the December Helping Hands campaign for CRMS families: donating to the gift card drive and/or adopting an individual/family from the Giving Tree.

GIFT CARD DRIVE: If you want to provide financial support with a gift card donation, please see the attached "Gift Card Drive" flier for details.

GIVING TREE: If you would like to adopt a CRMS individual or entire family for the holidays and purchase specific gifts, please sign up using the following link: [Holiday Support - Giving Tree Only](#) . Once you complete the form we will reach out to you with further details.

Have questions or want to help in some other way? Please contact Tanya Young, School Counselor, at tanya.young@fivetowns.net or 207-236-7805, ext 2159.

NEED SUPPORT?: At the beginning of the year we collected information from families that may need support during the holidays. If you didn't request help at the start of the year but your needs have since changed and you would like to be added to our list, please feel free to reach out to Tanya Young, School Counselor, at tanya.young@fivetowns.net or 207-236-7805, ext 2159.

Thank you ALL for being part of our CREW!

THE CRMS PUMPKIN CONTEST WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

We had a record number of entries this year!

Thanks to all who participated and congratulations to the winners!



8TH GRADE NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE ASSEMBLY - CRMS students again celebrated National Hispanic Heritage Month (NHHM) with an all-school assembly in the gym on October 17th. NHHM is celebrated in the USA from September 15th to October 15th and recognizes the rich heritage and diverse cultures of the approximately 50 million US citizens of hispanic origin who reside in the country. At CRMS, 8th grade Spanish students prepared and performed culturally authentic dances from Mexico, Colombia, Cuba, and Argentina. Viva la cultura hispana! *mil gracias* (a thousand thank you's) to Erma Colvin for once again choreographing and directing the dances and dancers. Kudos to the parent volunteers who also stepped in to help the event run smoothly!



6TH GRADE NEWS

Students have received an overview of the 19th century in 6th grade Social Studies classes to start the year. Students are rotating through stations in the library and classroom that highlight different aspects of the century. "Families" are earning beaver pelts and gold nuggets for their hard work and then will use the money to buy things for their wagon that will be heading West in a culminating simulation. Interesting people from the time period have visited the classes to impart important tips and information to the "families" that may prove to be useful later on. Careful planning and wise purchases will ensure safe passage to Oregon in the final stage of this unit.

Good luck, 6th graders!!



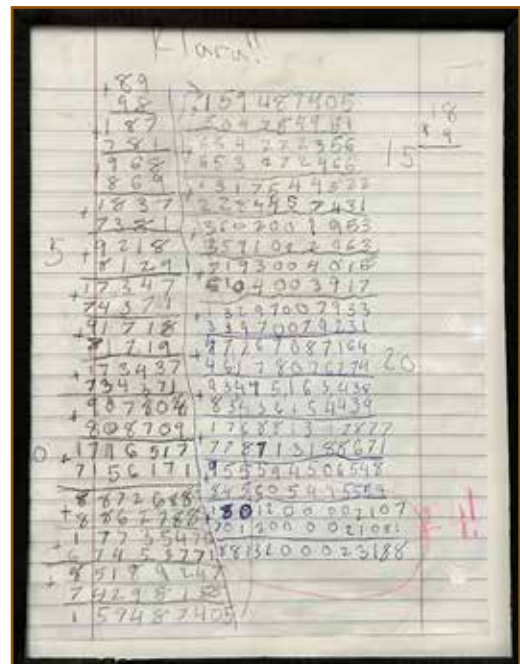
Klara Mathiau did what it takes and she found the place where 89 and 98 become palindromes!

This is a very intense and focused process and requires methodical thinking over a long amount of time. NO KIDDING, FOLKS!

Three cheers for Klara!

This is just awesome all around: there is so much grit involved, but also inspiration and gumption!

Hurray, Klara!



Environmental Club is going to be making beeswax cloths as a replacement for plastic wrap. We are in search of two things to do this:

1) we need 100% cotton fabric, used but clean. Lighter weight, non-stretch is best. Think of old cotton shirts. Why? To be truly carbon neutral, we are trying to make the wraps out of well used textiles. It is fine to use cotton that is new, it just brings the recycling part of the project down a bit.

2) Beeswax. If anyone would like to donate a block or two of beeswax for this project it would be really great! Here is my favorite from Sparky's beeswax in Hope:

[Sparky's Beeswax site is linked here.](#)



Dear Community Members,



The [Megunticook River Citizens Advisory Council](#) has a website with in-depth information about the Megunticook River and the work being done to explore the future of the dams between the lake and the harbor. The information is in the form of videos of the monthly presentations, feasibility reports, monthly (very thorough) MRCAC newsletters, community FAQs, a virtual tour of the watershed and committee materials. It is a rich resource for our community as we grapple with issues about the watershed and dams. Students are encouraged to take the [student survey](#) that is still available so the Committee can best understand how our community engages with the Megunticook river and lake. All MRCAC events are family friendly and students are encouraged to attend any and all speaker series!

Camden Rockport Middle School Gets Acquainted with S.E.A. Park.

The aquarium park became the focus of eight adventurous and curious 8th graders from Camden Rockport Middle School for two Wednesday mornings at the end of September and beginning of October. Our first session introduced the kids to the aquarium, how it works, what the creatures in the tank are and where they came from. Wayne explained how the tank is filled with water pumped from the harbor and we discussed the elements important to keeping the creatures healthy and hearty. The following week we excitedly pulled traps up from the float docks in the inner harbor. The students loved it and are ready for more.



Another school group from CRMS was introduced to the aquarium when they ventured downtown to go on a schooner ride. Heather Butler's 5th grade class had some time before they were able to board their schooner, so Heather asked me to introduce those kids to the tank and its creatures as well. It was a visit of about 20 minutes and the kids referenced the signage as they tried to find and identify the different creatures. It was a great way to expand their annual schooner trip experience.



6TH GRADE MT. BATTIE FIELD TRIP...Photo credit: Ellen Curtis. Sixth Grade students headed to Camden Hills State Park on Thursday October 5 for our yearly Fall field trip. We hiked up Mt. Battie, played some team-building games at the very-foggy summit, and had time for a little bit of capture the flag at the bottom before returning back to school. Thank you to the parent volunteers who joined us- we appreciate you!



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CROSS
COUNTRY
2023



GIRLS
AND
BOYS
BUSLINE
LEAGUE
CHAMPIONS!
CONGRATULATIONS!



CRMS COED SOCCER TRAVELING TO THEIR GAME ON THE ILESBORO FERRY!



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CHAMPIONS!
CONGRATS!*



FROM THE NURSE'S DESK.....



Get 4 Free COVID-19 Tests: Every U.S. household can order 4 more free COVID-19 self-tests. Self-tests (also called at-home tests and over-the-counter tests) are one of the several tools that protect you and others by reducing the chances of spreading COVID-19. Self-tests can be taken at home or anywhere, are easy to use, and produce rapid results. You can place an order 1) Online at COVIDTests.gov 2) By calling 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489) 3) By calling or emailing the Disability Information and Access Line (DIAL) at 1-888-677-1199 or DIAL@usaginganddisability.org (for people with disabilities).

For more information, click on this link : CDC.GOV/Covid-19



Attention all families: Please take this 5 minute survey from MaineHealth. Even if you completed the survey last year, we need your participation again!

Everyone who completes the survey will be entered into a prize drawing and five lucky winners across the state will each receive a \$100 Amazon gift card for their personal use AND if you win, our school will receive \$1,000.

Other schools are participating, so the more families from our school who complete the survey, the greater our chance of winning \$1,000!

Contact information for the prize drawing will be collected at the end of the survey and will not be connected to your survey responses. All survey responses are anonymous.

Click the following link to begin the survey: <https://redcap.link/2023FamilySCH>

Thank you!



IMMEDIATE OPENING

FULL-TIME WITH BENEFITS

CUSTODIAN

We have an opening for year-round, full and part-time Custodians for our schools. The normal work schedule for these positions is 3:00PM to 11:30PM. The pay scale for this position starts at \$18.74/hour and increases based on experience. We offer a comprehensive benefit package including single health insurance at no cost to the employee, paid vacation and personal days, 13 paid holidays, and paid sick time.

Learn more and apply online:
www.fivetowns.net/jobs

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL SUITABLE CANDIDATE FOUND.




WATERSHED SCHOOL



Midcoast Maine's only independent high school

Information Session

Please join us to learn more about how we teach our students to strive for personal growth and make meaningful connections to the world around them.

Hear from students, faculty members, and parents

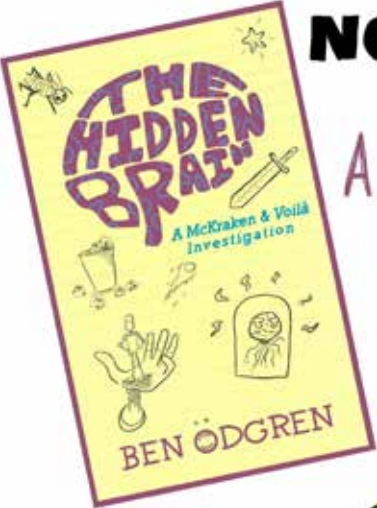
Tuesday, November 14
6:00 - 7:30 pm

1 Free Street, Camden

Watershed-school.org
 207-230-7341


NOV. 15
 AT 4:30 PM

AUTHOR EVENT WITH




BEN ÖDGRÉN

THIS GUY



AUTHOR, ILLUSTRATOR, & LIBRARIAN
 BEN ÖDGRÉN INTRODUCES HIS NEW MIDDLE-GRADE MYSTERY SERIES!

Books for sale and signing at end of event.
 Cash, checks, and Venmo.

 1 LIMEROCK ST.
 ROCKPORT, ME


 **TWEEN GAME NIGHT**

Drop in at the Rockport Public Library for an evening of video games and snacks. All games and controllers will be provided!

WEDNESDAY, 11/8 AT 5:30PM

Ideal for ages 11-14. This is a free event and open to all students.

Sponsored by:
 Rockport Library FOUNDATION

 Saturday, 11/18 at 10:30am

TWEEN/TEEN "NO BAKE" CULINARY CLASS

No oven required!

This is a free event open to all students. All materials will be provided, and taste testing is a must! Ideal for ages 11-16

Space is limited please call the Rockport Public Library to sign-up 236-3642

MINECRAFTING MONDAYS
 at the Rockport Public Library!

Work together, create, and survive!

Minecrafting Mondays will meet every other Monday. Bring your device and come build with friends! Ideal for ages 10-12. Free.

This month's dates 11/13 and 11/27
 Space is limited.
 Call 236-3642 to sign up.



LOST AND FOUND.....

Please come by the lost and found and find your students missing coats, clothing, lunch bags, water bottles, etc..... We will be donating everything during the Thanksgiving holiday break!

PLEASE EMAIL ALICIA.MARTIN@FIVETOWNS.NET, OR CALL 236-7805 IF YOUR STUDENT WILL BE TRAVELING BEFORE OR AFTER THE THANKSGIVING OR WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK SO WE CAN MAKE A NOTE OF IT. THANK YOU!

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM ALL OF US AT CRMS!

