



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 5/12/2017

CLASS NOTES

LUNCH MENU

## Lunch Menu

WEEK OF 5/15-5/19

**Monday:** Baked chicken, mashed potato, buns, corn, fruit and milk

**Tuesday:** French toast, sausage, hash browns, fruit and milk

**Wednesday:** Chili, corn bread, fruit and milk

**Thursday:** Spaghetti with meatballs, salad, buns, fruit and milk

**Friday:** Chicken Quesadillas, tortilla chips, salad, fruit and milk

### COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWS/EVENTS:

#### Upcoming Dates and reminders:

--May 31- Art Show

## Adams School Newsletter

--**June 5-** 5/6 Independent Study Presentation

--**June 6-** 7/8 Independent Study Presentations

--**June 8-** Spring Concert

--**June 16-** Graduation

### **Blue Hill Heritage Trust:**

#### **5/18 Thursday 7PM -**

Blue Hill Heritage Trust, Tick Talk. The First talk in our Spring Speaker Series will be a panel discussion with professionals from the science and medical community to discuss an all-too-relevant and nerve racking subject- TICKS!

Join Griffin Dill from the UMaine Tick Lab, Chuck Lubelczyk from Maine Medical Center, Dr. Karen James from Maine Coast Vet and Dr. Mike Murnik from Blue Hill Memorial Hospital, for the most current information on ticks in Maine. The talk will be held at Blue Hill Consolidated School and include Q&A, light refreshments, and childcare will be available for up to 25 kids on a first come first served basis for those with small children, please contact BHHT if you would like to reserve a childcare spot in advance. For more information, please contact our office 374-5118 or [info@bluehillheritagetrust.org](mailto:info@bluehillheritagetrust.org)

#### **5/20 Saturday 10AM - Vernal Pool Party.**

It's a Vernal Pool Party at Patten Stream! Let's investigate the magic and excitement of the annual cycle of salamanders, frogs, fairy shrimp, and other amphibious life! Kim Ridley leads this exploration starting at 10am. We will begin at the Gatherings Community Center across the street where Kim will read and sign copies of her award winning book "The Magic Pool" and will have a few copies on hand to sell. Then we'll head across the street and venture out on the Patten Stream Trail to a fabulous vernal pool for a "show and tell" with



Kim. Join Us! Free and open for all ages.

### **5/21 Sunday 3PM - King Hill Farm Tour.**

In collaboration with the Blue Hill Co-op, we are pleased to present the first farm tour of the season at King Hill Farm in Penobscot. Join Paul Schultz and Amanda Provencher for a tour of their wonderful farm. BHHT holds an agricultural easement on King Hill Farm, protecting the land forever. The farm tour is free, family-friendly, and open to the public. Sponsored by NHHT and the Blue Hill Co-op. For more info, directions, or to register for the event please contact us.

### **5/30 Tuesday 6:30PM - Spring Speaker Series: Building a Trail.**

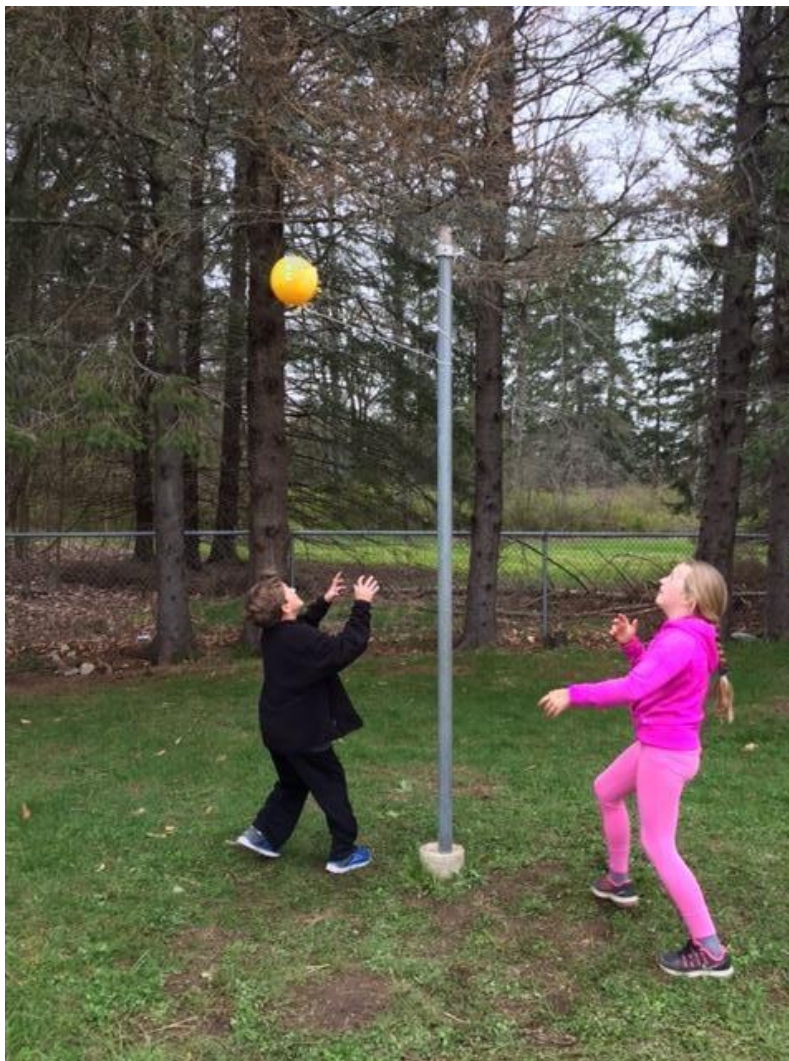
Join Blue Hill Heritage Trust for a presentation on how conservation groups design and build new trails, with experts George Fields of Blue Hill Heritage Trust, Caleb Jackson of Maine Coast Heritage Trust and Pete Coleman of Acadia National Park. Held at the Blue Hill Library and refreshments will be available. Open to the public.

### **6/3 Saturday 10am - OAAI Young Artist Workshop at Patten Stream.**

Join Blue Hill Heritage Trust & Cynthia Winings Gallery for a Young Artists Workshop at Patten Stream Preserve in Surry. School aged children are invited to bring their favorite art supplies and hike the Patten Stream Preserve Trail with the group, and create a work of art to submit to the 2017 Open-Air Arts Initiative show. All mediums welcome. Please bring your own supplies and a snack. For more information and or to pre-register, please contact the Blue Hill Heritage Trust at 374-5118 or [info@bluehillheritagetrust.org](mailto:info@bluehillheritagetrust.org)

### **6/10 Saturday 11AM - Horseshoe Crab Walk & Talk.**

Want to learn about our very own living fossil that comes specifically



## Classroom News

### Updates from teachers/staff/students

#### **PE:**

The bike rodeo is still scheduled for next Thursday, May 18. Students in grades 5-8 should drop their bikes and helmets off at Adams School. Our ride begins at 9:15. If you would like to ride with us please email me. Students in grades K-4 should drop bikes and helmets off outside or inside the fieldhouse at MMA. We will be riding between noon and 2pm. If you would like to help out please email me at [kdagan@schoolunion93.org](mailto:kdagan@schoolunion93.org). I need at least 2 Volunteers! We are also in need of a couple bigger bikes for students to borrow and some smaller ones. Please let me know if you have a bike or helmet we can borrow.

here to Maine's Bagaduce River? The horseshoe crabs are here to spawn once again and our very own board member and local naturalist Sarah O'Malley will teach us about the wonders and share latest information about them. Join us at Snow Natural Area at 11am.

#### **6/12 Monday 10AM - Ladyslipper Walk & Talk.**

Join our naturalist Merrie Eley and volunteer Laurie White on the Becton Trail of Blue Hill Mountain. We will begin the hike at 10am and learn about the showiest orchid in the Eastern U.S.

#### **6/17 Saturday 10AM - Summer Tree ID W&T with Sarah O'Malley.**

Now that trees are in full foliage, join our Board Member and Local Naturalist Sarah O'Malley for a guided Tree ID W&T at Greenbie Natural Area in Castine. Learn how to distinguish species in the spring/summer in this diverse landscape.

#### **6/30 Friday 1PM - Quill's End Farm Tour.**

In collaboration with the Blue Hill Co-op, join our second farm tour of the year at Quill's End Farm in Penobscot with the Retburg family. Blue Hill Heritage Trust holds agricultural easements on Quill's End Farm, protecting the land forever. The farm tour is free, family-friendly, and open to the public. Sponsored by Blue Hill Heritage Trust and the Blue Hill Co-op. For more info, directions, or to register for the event please contact the BHHT office.

#### **Health:**

The 7-8 class discussed depression and suicide. The K-2 class continued to talk about stranger safety and we made bracelets with our phone numbers on them.

#### **1st-2nd Grade:**

Every other Friday of the month the class and I have been spending the last hour of our day with Miss Jess down at the Witherle Library. Over the last few months we have listened to books that have been nominated for the "Chickadee Award" and voted what our class thought was the best "Chickadee Award" book. We have kept a running tally and finally read all 2016/17 Chickadee Award nominees. To celebrate the end of our voting and our book winner, Mother Bruce by Ryan T. Higgins, today we enjoyed a special snack and reminisced on our favorite book! Take a look at the books we read and learn more about the Chickadee Award at [www.mainechickadeeaward.org](http://www.mainechickadeeaward.org)

#### **3rd-4th Grades:**

This week 3rd and 4th grade has been experimenting with transferring energy. During our first lab students worked to turn on a lightbulb (creating heat and light energy), and to turn on a buzzer (sound energy) by attaching them to a battery. Students are also looking at how energy is transferred in a collision by observing how toy cars react when they collide.

#### **Mr. McWeeny:**

The 5-6 science class has moved on to the study of the Earth in Space. The students are exploring the movement of the sun across the sky and will soon be working on the cause of the seasons on Earth.

The 7-8 Science class has been working on the structure of DNA and its function in protein synthesis. Friday they will be looking at animal and plant cells to discover similarities and differences. Next week the class will explore the mechanism of protein synthesis to get ready for The Cell Play in a couple of weeks.

#### **Calvineers:**

The Calvineers spent last weekend in Boston. On Saturday they visited the Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology. It is a wonderful little museum with collections dating back more than 300 years. There are whale skeletons and many other mammal skeletons as well as stuffed specimens. The glass flowers exhibit was extraordinary. That night the students slept in the Education Department at the New England Aquarium. The movie of the night was Dolphin Tale. On Sunday the Calvineer set up their displays and activities for the Right Whale Festival. There were a dozen organizations displaying at the Festival. The Calvineers had four activity tables and four displays about right whales. Their impact on the Festival cannot be underrated! People loved their activities and were impressed by their knowledge.



### **Ms. Jackson:**

We all (5-8) worked very hard on writing better essays on Monday and Tuesday to prepare for the MEA test on Wednesday! We looked at essay structure (3 and 5 paragraphs), practiced writing strong thesis statements, topic sentences, using transitional words, and sandwiching all of the body paragraphs between an introduction and conclusion that expressed the main points in the piece. We read and dissected text exemplars written in the mode in which students were tested on Wednesday.

5/6 LA/SS In their writing work, 5th graders refined their thinking about the characteristics of a strong opinion statement and the words and phrases that are most likely to persuade readers to agree with their position. 6th graders practiced the same skills as 5th and then learned to shape their opinion into an argument by adding refutation statements. They practiced creating thesis statements that were strong and debatable.

On Thursday we went back to mythology. We studied more myths and then made an Olympians Go-Fish game!

7/8 LA/SS In their writing work, 7th graders focused on synthesizing information from multiple sources and writing with the intent to share information without including their opinion on the topic. 8th graders reviewed the weeks of notes they had collected in their binders from months ago when we learned about argument essays. They also dissected and evaluated examples of argument essays. On Thursday 7/8 studied foreshadowing and symbolism in literature. 7th and 8th graders are currently reading *The Outsiders* as a class, and they have their individual or book-club books to read as well. There are plenty of opportunities to get those reading minutes for Books for Bikes!

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