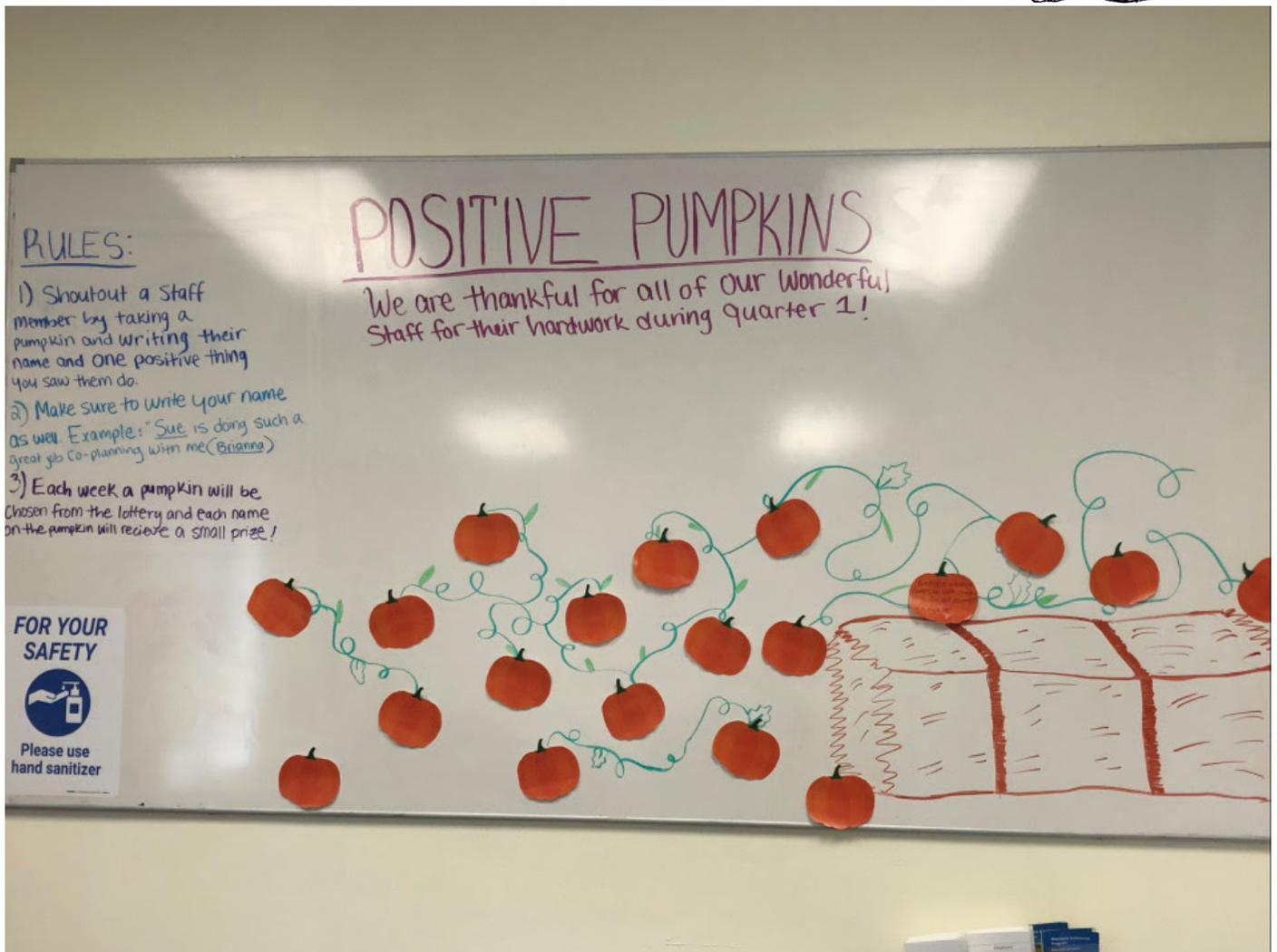


# Maranacook News

For Faculty, Families, Students and Community

Nov 2nd - Nov 6th



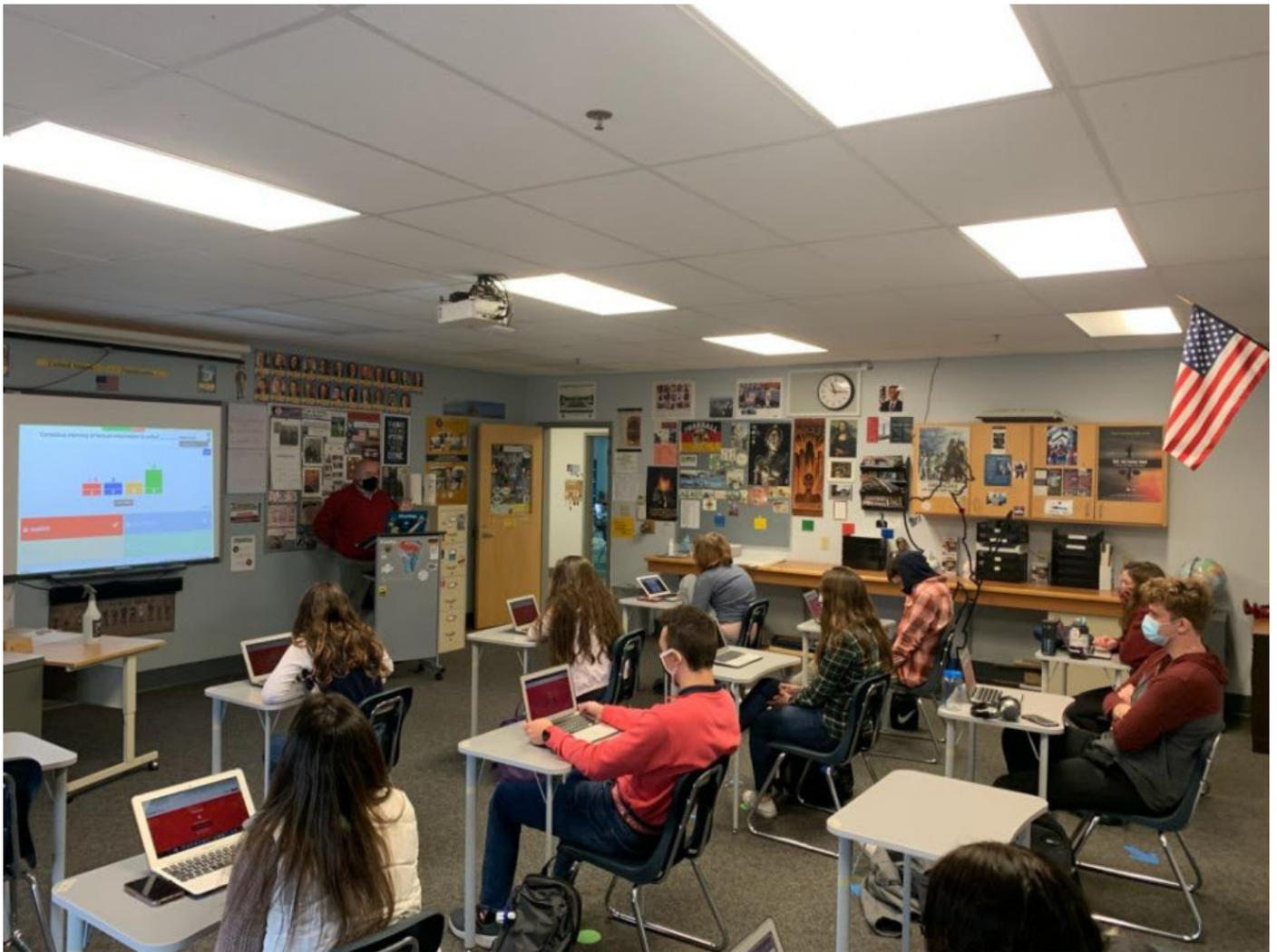
It was a fast but good week here at Maranacook. Students have been hard at work finishing up their assignments for the 1st semester Black Day Classes. It's hard to believe how far we have come over the past two months. Everyday has brought new challenges, opportunities and

innovations. On Monday, students will begin their 1st semester Gold Day Classes. Schedules were handed out earlier this week during advisee times. Students should make sure to accept Google Classroom invites from their teachers and be ready for class Monday morning.

This week we finished up NWEA testing. Thank you to students for giving it your best effort and to Mrs. Twiss and Ms. Brackley for organizing the assessment. The data helps us to plan individual academic interventions for students as well as identifying aspects of curriculum we need to focus more on and course pacing. Overall, the scores were incredibly high for both reading and math. In next weeks newsletter, we will share our scores along last years scores for comparison. Freshmen and sophomore families should look for reports coming home with 1st quarter report cards in the next two weeks.

**Awesome Bear Recipients:** This award is given to students that are excelling at one or more of our Habits of Work which include quality worker, responsible citizen and collaborative worker. These students have been recognized for showing outstanding accomplishment in one or more of these areas. Brady Cumber, Gabrielle Galouch, Parker McRobbie, Lauren Pepper, Ella Trefethen, and Olivia Wilson.

Pictured below are students in Mr. Gower's Advanced Placement Psychology class. It's always great seeing students engaged in learning and discussing topics they are passionate about. This course is part of our dual enrollment program. Starting this coming Monday, we have a new dual enrollment opportunity through Thomas College at Maranacook with Advanced Placement World History taught by Mr. Demillo. In all we offer our students over 120 credits of dual enrollment college credit.



Gratefully,  
Dr. Conway  
Principal

## JMG (Jobs for Maine Grads)

For the final week of the quarter, students completed a Career Plan final project. This Career Plan lays out exact steps the students would need to take to enter a career of their choice. Students completed extensive research on different careers and fields.

## Maranacook Alternative Program (MAP)

**STEM** Students are finishing up all of their units (Similar Triangles, Graphing Systems of Inequalities, and Multiplying Polynomials) in preparation for the end of the quarter. **Humanities** This week students watched selections from the recorded Broadway performance of Hamilton. As our first quarter comes to a close students will be asked to submit their first artifact into the

“Museum of Who Else”. At the end of the week, they will be asked to research and create an artifact to represent a person who was collectively left out of the historical narrative. That writing and artifact will be added to our museum to help us understand that history isn’t just one narrative, but rather a collection of stories. **LEAD** Everyone is continuing work on their PLP and Juniors and Seniors are finishing their Personal Learning Plans as they are nearing graduation.

## Music

Students in Music this week are completing their final compositions and performances in front of their classes. This is always my favorite part of teaching these classes; seeing how students bring all of their work together for a final product. Even though it is an odd year, students have blown me away with their musicality and dedication to creating.

Next week, the Concert Chorus and Concert Band meet for the first time this year, and it sure will be interesting! More news will come as we start up next week, and parents can expect a letter being sent home that outlines things like expectations and sanitation procedures for instruments. This week the MCHS Theater Students had their first in-person meeting on Tuesday. They had a great time catching, playing some fun (socially distanced) theater games, and just getting excited about working and performing together again this year. Really excited to begin casting our show next week!

## English

**Mrs. Moran and Mrs. Jones’ English 9 Classes:** English 9 students are wrapping up their final summative assessment. Students are collaborating to analyze an author’s use of literary devices to convey a theme in a song. **Mr. Brigham’s English 10 Classes:** English 10 students are finishing out the term by sharing their Folktale Presentations with the class and exploring Act I of the Hero’s Journey - The Departure. Students will finish out the term by putting their analytical skills to the test by attempting to identify the four phases of Act I of the Hero’s Journey in Star Wars: A New Hope. **Mrs. Guillemette’s AP Language Classes:** Students finished up the semester work with an on-demand rhetorical analysis essay in response to A Long Way Gone, modeled after the AP prompts. Students also produced audio versions of their memoir writing, considering the changes in rhetoric that were needed to transition from a written to an audio format. **Ms. Chadborune’s English 11 and AP Lit Classes:** AP Lit: Students are finishing up the Frankenstein Unit. They are analyzing the elements of literature within the book and developing an argument as to which they believe is a monster, Frankenstein or his creation, based on evidence they find surrounding human nature and humanity itself. English 11: Students are finishing up The Crucible and are beginning to evaluate themes within the play, utilizing evidence from the play to support their argument. **Mrs. Moran’s Creative Writing Class:** This week students in Mrs. Moran’s Creative Writing class worked on revising their outline and first chapter. It has been such a pleasure to work with this

talented group of people over the course of the last quarter! I appreciate their effort, empathy and the risks they took in following the words. And, as always, thank you for sharing!

## World Language

**Señora Frey:** All classes are finishing up the Black semester with quizzes, reading practice and listening comprehension exercises. Spanish 2 presented about their families via Zoom. Spanish 3 saw an Edpuzzle video about the Otavalo market in Ecuador, and Spanish 4-5 watched a Dreaming Spanish video about Spanish festivals. **Herr Fecteau:** All levels of German are working diligently on their finals. German 2 is working on lots of basic skills, German 4 is working on news media, and German 5 is working on the history of the Third Reich. **Dr. McLaren:** For the final week of the first quarter, French 1 students did a great job playing our own version of Guess Who/C'est Qui? to describe internal and external characteristics of classmates. French 3 students also played C'est Qui?, describing in both past and present tenses. They have greatly improved their usage of passé composé in all its picky intricacies. French 4 completed a practice test to prepare for UMA French 203. Quarter 1 Portfolios make up a large proportion of the French grade. Students have set very thoughtful goals in these and have shared some quality work!

## Advisee

The Advisee Calendar for November and December was finalized. During Advisee students will have weekly grade checks. This time is meant to support students academically. The Social Emotional focus during Advisee will focus on setting goals for the next quarter, how to handle stress, how to manage time, and how to expect our lives have changed during the pandemic and expect the loss of events. As always Advisors are here to provide support don't hesitate to reach out.

## Social Studies

**Mr. DeMillo:** Psychology and Global Studies are both finishing up the semester with videos and discussion to end the semester on a smaller workload than normal. **Mr. Gower:** Semester Final Exams in both AP US History and AP Psychology with questions that are in the AP style. **Mr. Sirois:** Global Studies students are preparing to demonstrate their ability to analyze a document connected to China's Water Crisis DBQ using Close Reading, Sourcing and Corroboration skills they have been practicing for the past two weeks. **Mr. Streeter:** U.S. History students are presenting their NHD projects this week to wrap up their first quarter of the class. **Mrs. St. Clair:** Literacy RTI: Supporting students as they attempt to earn credit for Quarter 1 courses. Planning to support students in Q2 courses.

# Math

**Mr. Babbitt:** Algebra 2 is reviewing for a final test about graphing and writing linear equations. Honors Geometry is reviewing for a final test about triangle congruence. Problem Solving is reviewing the math meet that is Wed Nov 4 (Go math team!) **Ms. Harman:** Algebra 1 Part 1 is finishing up the semester solving inequalities. Geometry CP is ending a mini unit on Ratios and Proportions. Algebra 1 Part 2 is learning how to write systems of equations from word problems. **Mrs. Bickford:** In MAP, STEM: Math students are finishing up all of their units in preparation for the end of the quarter. In MAP: LEAD Juniors and Seniors are finishing their Personal Learning Plans. In Teen Issues, students are starting to reach out to possible presenters and gathering materials to hand over to the Gold Day class. **Mr. Morin:** Algebra 1 is reviewing for a test on linear equations. Honors Algebra 1 is reviewing for a test on writing and graphing linear equations. College Algebra is reviewing for the midterm on polynomials, factoring, exponents/scientific notation, and quadratics. **Mrs. Graziano:** Honors/AP Calculus students are learning about real-life applications of exponents and logarithms. They will begin their study of limits and continuity this week. Mrs. Graziano has also been working with students who are at risk of not completing their class requirements.

## MATH NINJA AWARDS

The Math Department is excited to announce October's Math Ninja Award recipients. The award goes to a math student who has knocked our socks off either mathematically or through their habits of work.

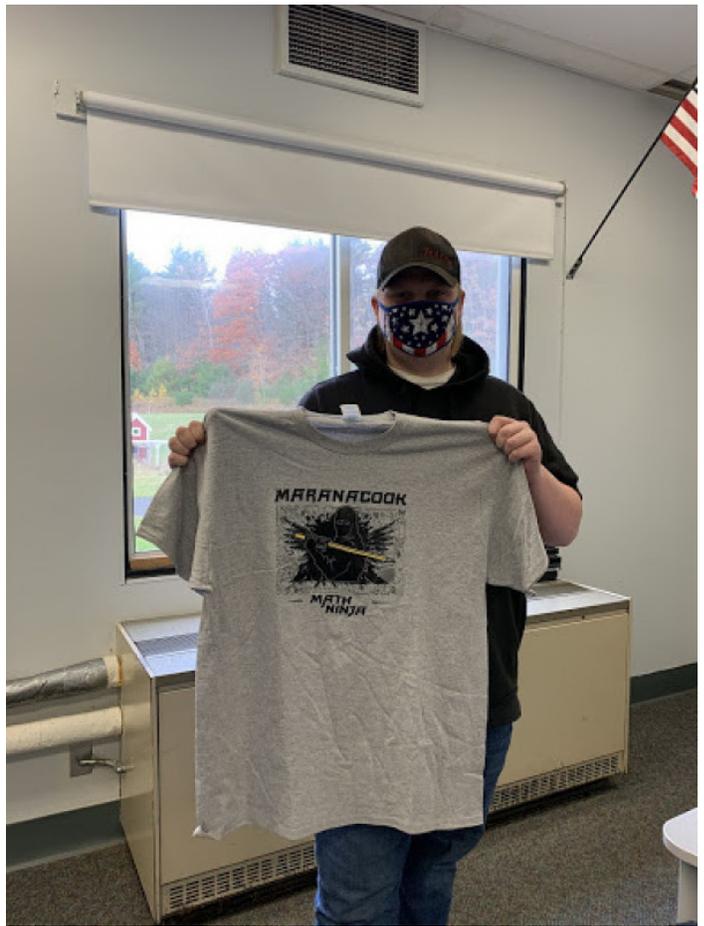
Mr. Babbitt gave the award to Molly Poulin (see picture below) for her hard work and perseverance in Algebra 2. She never gives up and asks for help when she needs it.

Mrs Bickford presented the award to Nate Foster. For not only persevering through Algebra 2 but thriving!

Mrs. Graziano awarded the prized t-shirt to Chad Lancaster (see picture below) for his work ethic, always making sure he shows up for his help sessions and getting work done.

Ms. Harman gave the award to Owen Dunn for participates a lot and works really hard in class.

Ms. Cormier presented the award to Mary Hatt. Mary approaches everything with a positive attitude and strives for excellence with all that she does. She works to gain a true understanding of the concepts being taught and never settles for anything less than her best!



## Health Center

As the holidays are approaching we want to make sure that families are being cautious and taking the necessary steps in order to keep our community and schools safe. While travel is discouraged we understand that many of you may choose to do so. Currently a few states do not require quarantine or testing when returning to Maine but most do. As of now, however this is always subject to change, if you are planning a visit to New Hampshire, Vermont, or Massachusetts you do not need to quarantine or test after returning to Maine. If you visit any other state besides those listed above, you are required to do the following:

- 1) Quarantine for 14 days or get COVID-19 test within 72 hours of arriving in Maine.
- 2) While awaiting a test and the results, quarantine is necessary. Quarantine is staying home and avoiding any travel outside of the home except for necessary or emergency medical care.
- 3) A negative test result or a 14 day quarantine should be communicated to the School Nurse before your child can return to in-person learning.
- 4) If your child or anyone in your household develops symptoms and/or receives a positive test result please let the school nurse know as soon as possible.
- 5) If you have any questions or concerns relating to your travel plans please contact your school nurse: [anya\\_davidson@maranacook.com](mailto:anya_davidson@maranacook.com) 685-4923 ext.1033

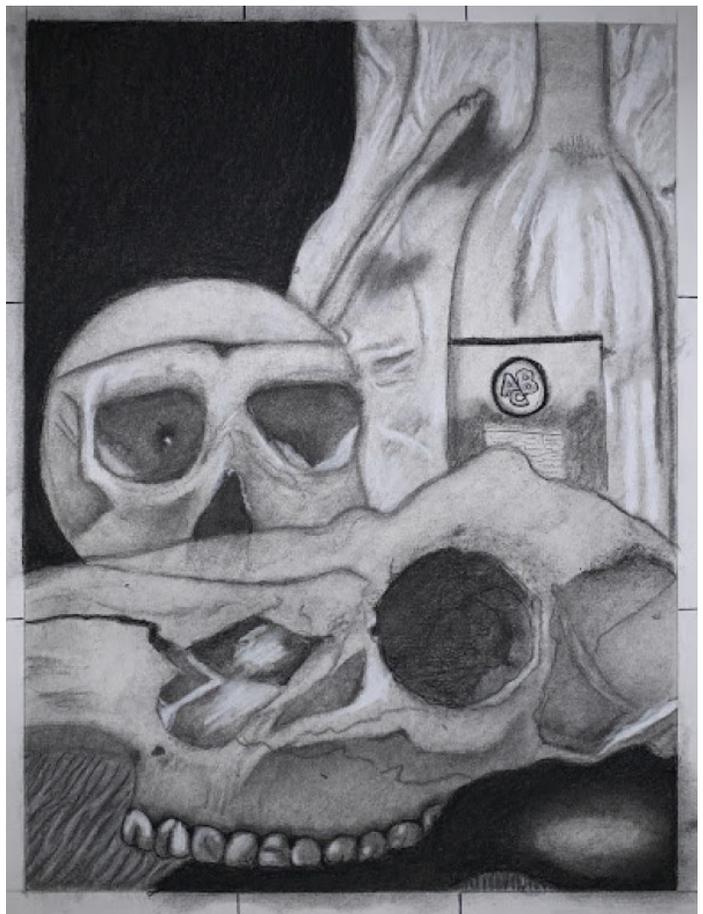
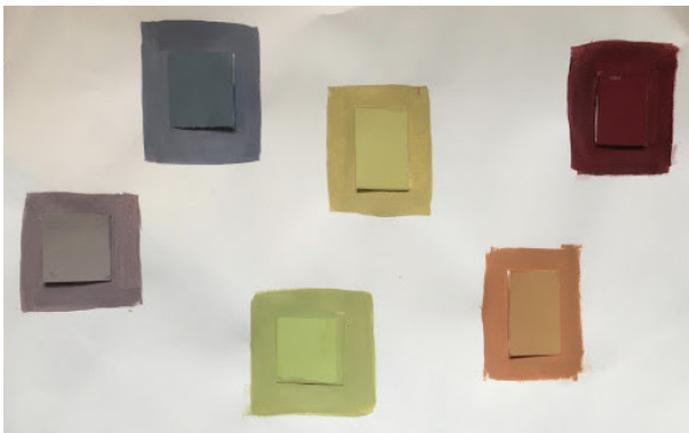
Thank you for understanding and doing your part to help us keep our schools open and safe for everyone!

## Fine Arts

Fine Arts: Mr. Smith: As we end the first quarter, students in Drawing are producing some awesome work. A few of these images are pasted above for your enjoyment!



**Mr. Ferrero:** Students are rounding the turn as we approach the end of the first quarter. Drawing classes have been producing some outstanding charcoal works and ink self portraits while Painting students have been learning how to precisely match complex colors using only the three primaries.



## Extra and Co Curricular

### *Cross Country*



Coach Cowan, S. Tilton, S. Ertha, K. Hall, C. Innes, S. McLaughlin, M. Small, D. Williams, J. Thurston, K. Palmer, M. Scott, J. Crocker, D. Harriman, W. Cole, J. Golden, L. Dodge, S. McLaughlin, A. McKendry, M. Small, T. McCollett, D. Brown, R. Silsby, A. Peacock, J. Dearborn, R. Antanavich, P. McCollett, W. Jeffries, Coach Dexter, W. McKee, D. Greely, K. Gleason, A. Silsby, T. Dolloff, R. Bowden, A. Golden, L. Wright, S. Dumaine, T. Gleason, M. McNeff, D. Dodge, S. Roberts.



**In 1980, the boys cross country won their first of many state titles.**

The fall season has just about wrapped up with most teams having successful seasons. It was not a normal season as most sports did not have any playoff games but there were a lot of positives.

The golf team finished up early after playing a few matches with Cony and Gardiner but unfortunately could not compete at the state qualifier due to our school being in remote learning.

The field hockey team was very successful winning 5 out of their 6 games, despite not playing any games for three weeks due to remote learning and bad weather.

The football team wasn't able to play full pad and helmet tackle but did manage to play five 7 v 7 touch games and even played three "JV" games to get some of the younger players some experience.

The girls soccer team wrapped up an undefeated season by beating Class C rivals Monmouth 5-2. Many of the girls improved tremendously over the summer and fall and left a lot of people wondering if this could have been the year for a state championship.

The boys soccer team had some ups and downs as far as wins go but competed very strongly in every game. They are supposed to finish their season on 11/12 with a make up game at Morse.

Finally, cross country has wrapped up their regular fall race schedule and the girls will be competing in the state Class C championships on 11/14 in Bangor.

### **Results:**

Varsity Boys Soccer lost to Monmouth 2-1

JV Girls Soccer beat Monmouth 6-1

V Girls Soccer beat Monmouth 5-2

Football lost to Winthrop 26-6

### **Cross Country Kvac Championships**

The Girls Team finished 3rd. Top finishers were Lily Cannell (5th), Sophie O' Clair (8th), Jenna Badeau (20th), and Lilly Mushlit (21st)

The Boys Team finished 5th. Top finishers were Spencer Dyer (8th), Max Olmstead (18th), Tom Poling (30th), and Michael Tamborini (32nd).

### **Kvac Class B All-Conference Cross Country**

1st Team: Lily Cannell

2nd Team: Spencer Dyer, Sophie O'Clair

### **Upcoming Events:**

Thursday 11/12

Boys Soccer at Morse JV 4pm, V 6pm

Saturday 11/14

Girls XC at Class C State Championship (Saxl Park, Bangor) 9:30am

# **Go Bears!**

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