



Hawk Talk

For the week of
April 22, 2022

Hello Hawks,

Welcome back! Whether it was a chance to spend more time with your family, head outside, go on a trip, take a hike, or finally get a moment to relax, I hope that during April break, you got the opportunity to do something that you love to do. Me? I finally got a chance to get that flu that has been going around.

I often find myself torn between perspectives at this point in the year. We have six full weeks (+ 6 ½ more days) of school left. We are only beginning the third week of the fourth quarter but traditionally, things seem to speed up immensely after April vacation. Our days are longer and the weather is better and it seems that there is so much to do. Our students' spring activities kick into high gear and we focus on finishing this year strong while beginning to plan for the next. I know that this time can go by too quickly if we are not mindful to make those days count. Let's all set our minds to get to school each day these last six weeks and work as hard as we did the first six. Before you know it, not only will it be time for summer but our students will be prepared for the next grade that they are entering.

Melissa Biehn

GO HAWKS!



Baseball and Softball

Both Softball and Baseball will have their first games of the season at 4:00 this Thursday, 28 @ Nokomis

Nokomis Regional Middle/High School,
291 Williams Rd, Newport

[Click for Practice Schedule](#)

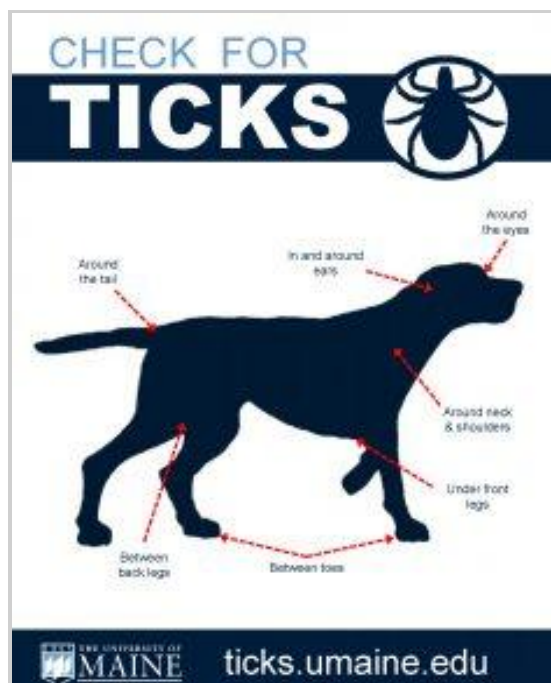
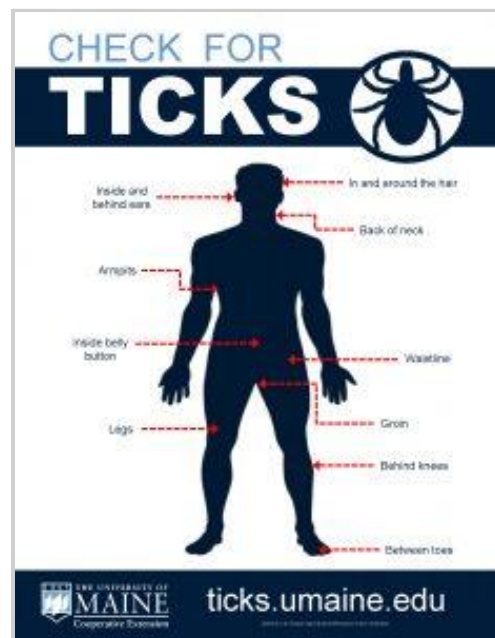
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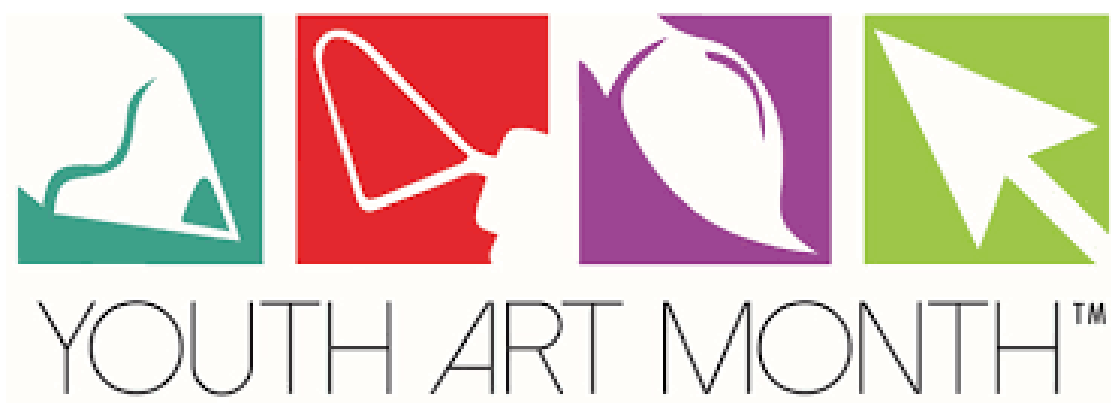
...no, not TikTok

While the weather is getting better and we are spending more time outside, it is also time to be aware of ticks that might be trying to hitch a ride on your kids, your pets, or yourself. We had a few reports of tick finds before vacation. Below are some links to more information about performing tick checks and tick removal.

[Click here for information about Tick Checks](#)

[Click here for information about Tick Removal](#)





The National Art Education Association promotes April as Youth Art Month. We have 8 students whose artwork has been selected to be shown in the [Youth Art Month Virtual Exhibit 2022](#). Click the link to visit the exhibit. The original artworks are displayed in the hallway across from the art room.

Thank you Mrs. Hendrix for your membership in Art in the Heart of Maine and your involvement with NAEA. Visual arts is one more way that our students have the opportunity to SOAR!

Civic Oration

As part of Spring into the Arts, students in grades 7 & 8 wrote speeches about the most important inventions.

While all students presented their speeches to their classes, 14 students presented their speeches to the entire school!



Mackenzie Oiler, Kaelyn Woodman, Madison Hobbs, Bella Ingalls (3rd place), Mack Bateman, Kristany Raymond (2nd place), Peyton Tolliver, Kali Alexander (1st place), Alivia Putnam, Annie Phillips, Holden Bartley, Natalie Tardie, Peyton Jordan, and Olivia Adams (not pictured).

SPRING INTO THE ARTS!

Spring into the Arts was a huge success this year!

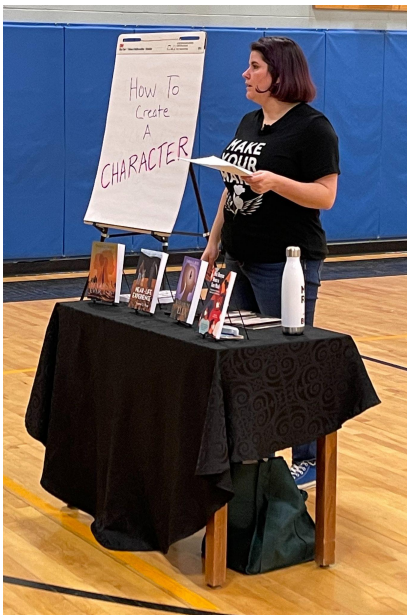
There were many opportunities and memorable moments.

Here are a few of the highlights.



This picture looks like a real snoozer but this was during the author's visit. It is important because the school had the opportunity to have our first school-wide assembly in over two years! Two whole grade levels, over half of our students, had never been in an assembly at Hermon Middle School.

Our kids made us proud!

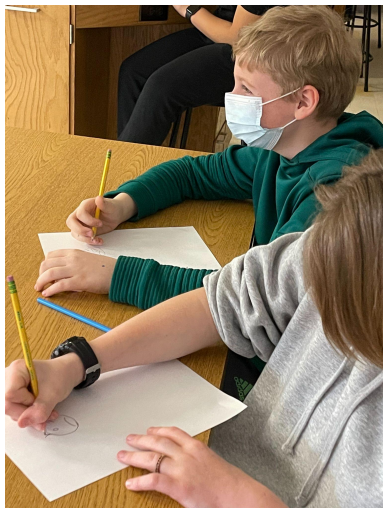


⇨ Here is the author, Emma Rose, teaching 5th and 6th graders how to create characters.

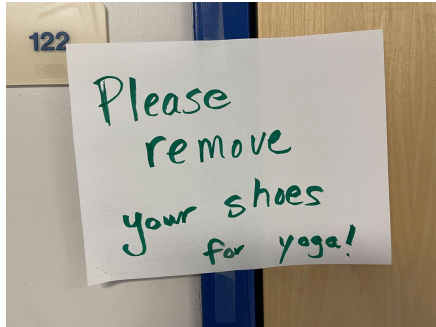
Scot Cannon ⇨ performed for us.



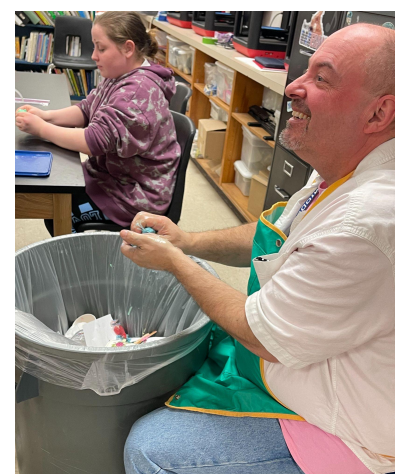
There were many workshops!



⇨ Some learned to draw with our freshly sharpened Ticonderoga, while others took their shoes off, stretched, and learned yoga. ⇨

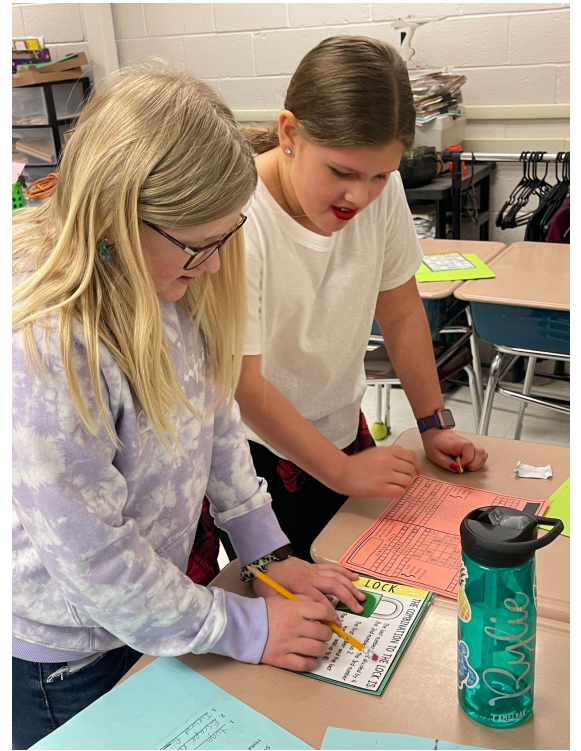


There was ↑ tie-dye, baking⇨, and tons of⇩ Gak making!





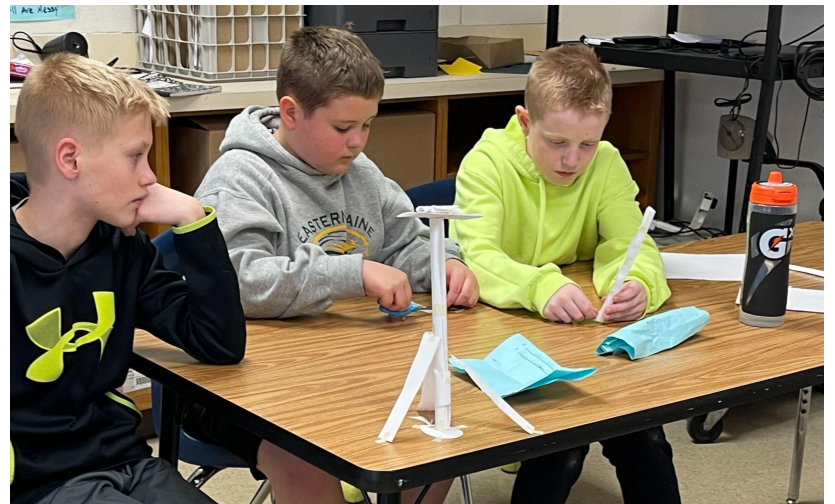
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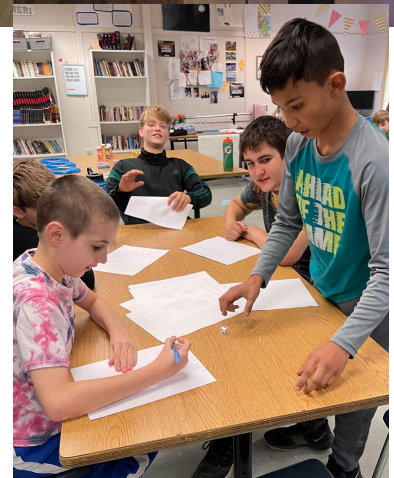
There were tests of skill, feats of strength,



and challenges
with engineering,



Sewing was learned, games were played,
and there was an awful lot of cheering.





Some challenges were individual, others needed a team.



We found out where the germs could hide when we thought our hands were clean.





There were
visits from
the show choir,
improv,



and MS/HS bands combined.



Our chorus groups played for us.



Mr. Fratini and friends sounded fine.





There was a
volleyball challenge



and an epic dance battle.



Who were
the winners?



We'll never tattle.



Hermon Middle School Spring Into the Arts 2022