

Sand Beach, Spring 2019 Photo By Dora Clark '24

Acadia Team Newsletter W/E 11/3/23



Pie Delivery: Tuesday, 11/14

Please plan on PICKING UP your child's pie order on 11/14 between 2:30 and 4 PM at the school entrance at the lower parking lot.

*** We also could use some help in sorting the pies, please! This means meeting the delivery at 1 pm, sorting orders, and staying until 2:45 when the teachers can come down to take over. ***

On the Horizon:

All this week we are collecting donations for the Maranacook food bank. All donations are welcome. Money donations go the furthest!

Wednesday 11/8 early release. Friday 11/10. No school. Tuesday 11/14: PIE DELIVERY! 11/22 No School, teacher comp day

In our classes:

Forecasting the Future:



Two carbon-based students, Meka & Sofia display carbon from corn chips.

This week we have done a deep dive into understanding carbon, how it cycles and how climate changes. To do so we have seen how carbon is stored in all living things and how its

released, but digestion, decomposition, or burning. Students are learning how carbon % in the atmosphere has been increasing. They now know about the Kelling curve and how it ties to changes in our Earths climate.



Alex, capturing carbon from a chip.

Hero's Journey:

This week found us revisiting the hero's journey - a concept proposed by Joseph Campbell. Campbell wondered if all humans were drawn to stories that showed a particular path.

Students used a graphic organizer to prepare their next writing piece - a story based on the Hero's Journey.



Myths and Legends: We explored the Legend of Stingy Jack - an Irishman who tricked the Devil and had to

roam the earth. Stingy Jack is believed to be the origin of Jack-O-Lanterns. We carved Jack-O-Lanterns to share with the Readfield Community Library for Halloween. Then we analyzed characterization in The Legend of Sleepy Hollow and the use of the Hero's Journey Langston Hugh's Thank You, Ma'am.

Rock On!:



Andrew judging whats a rock or mineral.

We are now looking at rocks, minerals, and the rock cycle. In the next week, students will be testing samples hardness, streak, breakage, and luster, to determine what they are. This Tuesday students pass in their Big Idea assignment. For that assignment, they need to have found a news article that connects with one of their classes. They summarise, take a position, and support it.

Math: All Acadian students did have math this week! Poor Ms Gerhart and her little one Cora have been super sick this week. Ms. Gerhart hopes to be back with the kids next week.

Challenge Zoza First Second Third Meka

It's a Reading Challenge:

Students are invited to take part in the Maine Student book award challenge. This week, Max read more books in total than Rosie! Keep up the great work, Max. (Too bad Rosie had more books she read that hadn't been put on the board yet... Sorry, Max!)



Yes, we're pretty nerdy! - Rosie and Holman dressed up as games this Halloween.

A few more Jack-O-Lanterns from Readfield Community Library on Halloween!





