

# Friday, December 8, 2023 Newsletter





The children participated in a fun activity where they were given a picture of a gnome and they had to change the gnome into anything they wanted. They came up with some very original ideas: a christmas tree, a candy cane, a birthday cake, a bush, Rudolph the red nosed reindeer, and Clarise.

Mark your Calendars

December 13th - Christmas Concert, 6:00 PM

at the Town Hall

## Ms. Tibbett's K/1 Classroom



Last Forest Friday we sorted and classified animals such as fish, insects and mammals. The children acted out characteristics of all the animals.







### Ms. Clarke's Gr. 2 Classroom

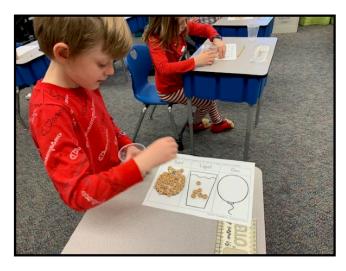
Students in second grade are learning about three states of matter: solids, liquids, and gases. In the pictures below, they are seen demonstrating how each state is formed by how tightly their atoms are packed. Everything is made of matter, just in different shapes and forms, and matter is made of tiny particles called atoms. The children learned that a solid's atoms are very tightly packed, while a liquid's are less tightly-packed, allowing for movement, and the atoms in a gas state are quite loosely packed.

Water is a great example of how easily it can change from one state to another, from being a liquid, to an ice cube as a solid, and how water vapor is a type of gas.



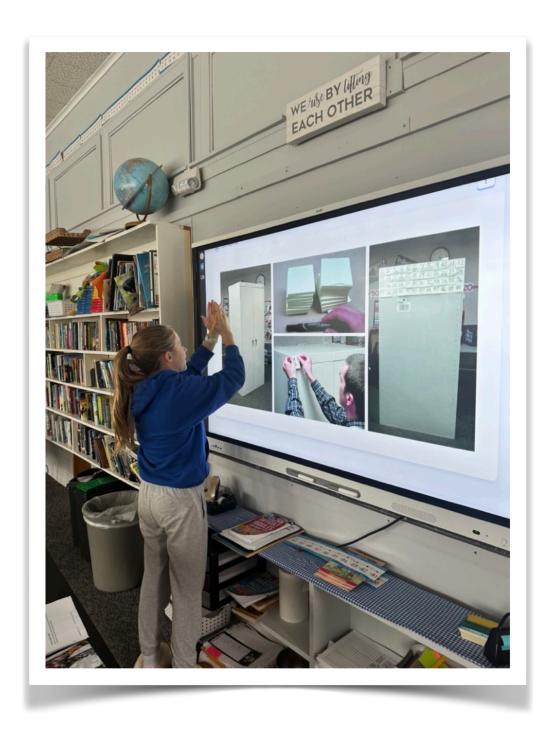






### Mrs. Browne's 4/5/6 classroom

The 6th graders are learning about surface area in math class. Here, Mabel is estimating how many sticky notes could cover the cabinet in the picture.





#### **Community Cross Country Ski Lease**

Saturday, December 9, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Central Lincoln County YMCA 525 Main Street Damariscotta, ME

Wednesday, January 3, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Hidden Valley Nature Center
131 Egypt RoadJefferson, ME

The ski lease package is \$70 per participant. The person who will use the skis must be present.

To get kids and families outside having fun in the snow, Midcoast Conservancy provides affordable, quality cross country ski equipment to local families. Lease high quality skis, boots, and poles for the entire winter; each person is sized for the gear and then takes it home for the season so they can ski wherever, whenever they want.

In addition, Midcoast Conservancy will hold its annual **Kids XC-Ski Clinic** for ages 5-14. The clinic will start January 6 and run each Saturday morning for 6 weeks. Details on the website soon! The clinic is the perfect setting for skiers of different levels to gain confidence and enjoy Hidden Valley Nature Center's trails. Instructors use fun, non-competitive methods to get the skiers out on the trails having fun each week.

Any questions can be directed to Tripp, tripp@midcoastconservancy.org.

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(not a school sponsored program)



The children have been practicing for the school concert next Wednesday, at the Town Hall at 6:00 pm. We hope to see you all there! It promises to be a wonderful concert!



With the temperatures dropping, please make sure your child comes to school with warm jackets, snow pants, boots, mittens, hats and scarves. It gets pretty chilly on the playground. We have lots of hats and mittens here too that have been handmade and donated to the children; our rule is if you borrow a hat, you keep it...no sharing hats.

We are purchasing skates for all the children so we can skate when it's cold enough. If you haven't already, please send in your child's shoe size to Mrs. Higgins.

### Thank you!



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The SIA is attempting to bring back a true Christmas Caroling activity, where a group of singers will go to various residences around the island. It is scheduled for Sunday Dec. 17th from 1-3 PM. Are some SCS families interested in joining in this activity? We have some great singers, for sure!

This is the link to sign up to be a caroler:

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This is the link to sign up to be a home that gets stopped at:

<a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/</a>

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