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Important Dates

Thursday, December 7

After School Art! Pop Up Cards Gr. 2 & 3 Art Room, 2:30-3:30pm

Friday, December 8

Progress reports sent home

Monday, December 11, 18

K Kids Service Organization Meeting, Mrs. Burke's room, 2:40-3:30pm

Mondays, December 11, 18

Big Brothers Big Sisters, CRES Gym, 2:45-4pm

Tuesdays December 12, & 19

CRES Chess Club, Gr. 4 Common Area, 2:30-3:30pm

Tuesdays, December 12, & 19

Gr. 2 Jump Rope Club, CRES Gym, 2:30-3:30pm

Wednesday, December 13

School Picture Retake Day!

Wednesday, December 13

Girl Scout Troop 1525 Mtg, Atrium, 2:40-4:00pm

Thursday, December 14

After School Art! Pop Up Cards Gr. 4, Art Room, 2:30-3:30pm

Wednesday, December 20

Girl Scout Troop 1525 Mtg, a grade level Common Area,, 2:40-4:00pm

Wednesday, December 20

Camden Rockport Schools Board Meeting, Rose Hall, 7:00pm

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear CRES Families,

I hope this message finds you well. As we wrap up our first trimester, our dedicated CRES teachers have been diligently crafting thoughtful comments and finalizing grades for your child. Keep an eye out for their report cards, which will be making their way home in your child's backpack this Friday.

At CRES, we assess how well your child is progressing in each subject by looking at their achievements against year-long standards. If you see a '3' on the report card, it means your child is right on track to meet these year-long standards. We believe it's important to recognize their achievements based on what they're currently learning, building a strong foundation as we work towards end-of-year standards and expectations.

Additionally, you'll find the Habits of Work and Learning (HOWLs) scores in the report card. These HOWLs scores provide insight into how your child embodies our core values.



If you have any questions about your child's report card, please contact your child's teacher. We value your feedback and are here to support you.

Wishing you and your family a happy holiday season filled with joy and celebration.

Warm regards, Chris

UPCOMING SPIRIT DAYS

Sponsored by the Fourth Grade Ambassadors

- Fri., December 15th - Hero/Super Hero Day
- Wed., December 20th - Color Day

Gr 4=Black & White, Gr 3 = Orange, Gr 2 = Yellow, Gr 1= Blue, MAG = Purples, K = Green, PK = Red, Staff = at least 3 colors

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**Friday, December 22 - Monday,
January 1**

NO SCHOOL, Holiday Break



Tuesdays, January 2, 16, 23, 30
CRES Chess Club, 2:30-3:30pm

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Gr. 2 Jump Rope Club, CRES Gym,
2:30-3:30pm

Wednesday, January 3
Girl Scout Troop 1525 Mtg, Atrium,
2:40-4:00pm

Thursdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25
Gr. 3 & 4 Jump Rope Club, CRES
Gym, 2:30-3:30pm

Monday, January 8, 15, 22, 29
K Kids Service Organization
Meeting, Mrs. Burke's room,
2:40-3:30pm

Monday January 8, 15, 22, 29
Big Brothers Big Sisters, CRES Gym,
2:45-4:00pm

Tuesday, January 9
Kindergarten Guest Speaker: Owls
Head Transportation Museum,
10:30-11:30am

Wednesday, January 10
EARLY RELEASE,
1:10/1:15pm dismissal

Toys for Tots Donation Box

There is a Toys for Tots Donation Box in the CRES Office. Donations of new, unwrapped toys and games are being accepted through December 9th.

Student Progress Reports

One Report Card will be sent home with your student on Friday, December 7. If you would like to request an additional copy (for a dual household, for instance), please email Jennifer.Gomez@fivetowns.net.

News from the CRSA

Introducing the Camden Rockport School Alliance!

Wondering how you can become more involved with your child's classroom and school? The Camden Rockport School Alliance (CRSA) does just that! The CRSA is an organization of parents and family members that support school-wide events and specific requests from your favorite classrooms at CRES and CRMS. We meet monthly and are always looking for new members. To get involved, please join us at our next meeting, follow us on Facebook ([Camden-Rockport School Alliance](#)) or send us an email at camdenrockportschoolalliance@gmail.com.

Wondering what we've been up to? The CRSA has been busy stocking the staff room at CRES with treats and snacks for our wonderful teachers and staff and also hosted book fairs at both CRES and CRMS. The CRSA is pleased to bring the Square 1 Art project to CRES each fall. Our December endeavor is to spread holiday cheer throughout the staff rooms at all three schools. Be on the lookout for additional information and ways to contribute from your grade leader. Happy Holidays!



Please Welcome our New CRES Crew Members!



Tanya Robinson, Special Education Teacher

Hello CRES families! I am so excited to begin my journey here at CRES. I have been in education for 13 years. I graduated with my Master's in Special Education from the University of Southern Maine in 2019. I have lived in Maine my whole life and I actually live in the house I grew up in. I am married to my wonderful husband Gregory and I have two grown sons Colby and Cameron. I am an avid reader and absolutely love animals of all kinds!

Julia Lancia, Educator in Residence Volunteer

Julia joins us as an Educator in Residence from The Leadership School at Kieve Waves Education, Inc. This program develops leaders and strengthens communities by empowering participants through an experiential approach to social-emotional learning and environmental stewardship. Julia will be working with various grade levels at CRES on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays through April. Julia served in this role at CRMS last year.



CHECKLIST FOR WINTER RECESS

Here are the rules & expectations for recess at CRES:

Students are expected to go outside for recess, and wear the rain/cold gear their families send them to school with at each recess. We do go outside when it is cold! The only time we stay inside is when there is thunder/lightening, torrential rain, or the "feels like" temperature is below -15 degrees Fahrenheit. This requires proper clothing and footwear.

If you need help providing winter outerwear to your student, let us know. Talk to your teacher, the Main Office, or the Nurse.

Please be sure your child has a change of clothes at school every day, in their locker or backpack. Make sure it's up to date for the season and any growth spurts!

5 items of winter clothing are required when the weather is cold:

1. Snowpants
2. Boots
3. Jacket
4. Hat
5. Mittens

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1	2	3	4	5
Snow Pants	Boots	Jacket	Hat & Scarf	Mittens/ Gloves

SAVE THE DATE!

January 18th at 7:00 PM in the Strom Theater

Parent/Community Presentation**Modeling Matters: What Parents Need to Know (and Do) to Decrease Stress, Worry, and Anxiety**

Description: The current news about young people and mental health has created warranted concern, but the information can be overwhelming and hard to sort through. Parents need strategies to help their children manage their anxiety, moods, and social pressures. Based on current research and over 30 years of clinical experience, Lynn Lyons will talk about the common traps adults fall into, and the key adjustments needed to prevent and help mental health challenges in our kids.

Please join school staff and community members for this important conversation!

**Happy Wanderers
Guided Hike**

Join the Community Health team partnering with Coastal Mountains Land Trust to get outdoors and stay active with guided hikes this year. This hike is 2 miles and the level is moderate. All levels are welcome. Please leave pets at home. This group meets at trailheads throughout Knox and Waldo counties on the first Thursday of each month.

DATE: Thursday, December 7**START TIME:** 10:00 a.m.**LOCATION:**
Thorndike Brook Trail, Hope**COST:** Free

Register online at penbaywaldo.coursestorm.com or call 301-3950

