



# Hawk's Eye

Weekly News from Hope Elementary School

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## Upcoming Events for Your Calendar

March 16 - K-6 Jump Rope for Heart money due  
March 16 - eMPowerME testing begins  
March 20 - End of T2  
March 28 - 4th & 5th grade music festival  
March 31 - 8th grade to MCST  
April 2 - Early release for P/T conferences (11:30AM)  
April 3 & 4 - Honors music festival  
April 10 - eMPowerME testing closes  
April 17 - Early release for students/staff (11:30AM)  
April 20-24 - April Break

HES has now used five snow days.

Quote of the week:

*"Shoot for the moon.  
Even if you miss, you'll  
land among the stars."*

~ Les Brown

## School Lunch Update



Starting on Monday, March 16th, HES will offer a limited salad bar that will be served directly from the kitchen. There will be no self-serve salad bar until further notice. All other lunch options remain unchanged.

Order your HES apparel now  
through March 20th online!

[kdkstore.com/hesapparel/](http://kdkstore.com/hesapparel/)



## Sign up for Fall 2020 Pre-K & Kindergarten – Spots are filling!

Pre-K students must be 4 years old on or before 10/15/20. Kindergarten students must be five years old on or before 10/15/20. Please call the school (785-4081) to place your child's name on our mailing list. Registration will take place in the spring. Please help spread the word throughout Hope.

**First graders** used their owl eyes to look closely and notice while sitting in their special spots. They continued to practice observational drawing in the classroom with pinecones.





### Third Grade News

Third graders played Jenga with Mr. Munger. However, this was not an ordinary Jenga game. Students used their communication skills to guide their blindfolded teammates as they pulled blocks out from the stack and placed them on the top. It was an exciting game!



### Note from the Nurse

I have been in contact with The Camden Lions Club about their eyeglass program, which assists low income applicants in obtaining eyeglasses. The Lions Club, in coordination with local eye professionals, will help cover all costs of the eyeglasses. They offer a variety of frames that are both high quality and stylish! Please email me at [Emily.mcdermott@fivetown.net](mailto:Emily.mcdermott@fivetown.net) or call the school at 785-4081 for more information.



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Yesterday afternoon Governor Janet Mills announced pro-active steps to protect Maine residents by issuing guidance on social distancing as a means of slowing the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

The Maine Department of Education offered schools the following additional recommendations to administrators as we continue to adapt and plan:

- Continue the prevention strategies that include teaching, modeling and providing supplies needed to practice good hygiene:
  - Wash hands often with soap or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
  - Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue and dispose of in a trash can immediately
  - Stay home if you are sick
  - Wipe surfaces frequently
- Limit (cancel or postpone) mass gatherings that are not essential
- Postpone any non-essential out-of-state or international travel
- Review and revise attendance policies for students and staff that would discourage them from staying home if sick; consider starting or expanding a sick-leave bank
- Reduce group sizes within your schools where you can: examples may include classroom-based lunches, postponing assemblies, cancelling or rescheduling concerts and celebrations
- Continue to convene your safety team
- Involve school boards and teacher associations in considering the potential benefits and unintended consequences of significant decisions.

The Department of Education continues to advocate for Maine's public schools and will continue to seek resources and support as we determine how best to care for our school community. Public schools continue to be both the safest place for kids and a symbol of hope and resilience.

At HES we have a school safety team that is closely monitoring the situation through communication with a number of outside agencies, most notably the Maine CDC, and Department of Education, and we will be developing contingency plans based on the most up to date information and expert guidance. On Monday morning our HAL Administrative Team will meet to review a list of issues we feel need to be discussed. We will communicate any essential information to the school community as quickly as possible after that meeting so that all parties are involved and informed.

We understand this is a very trying time with a lot of uncertainty. We are here to support you in any way that we can. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have to [danielle.fagonde@fivetowns.net](mailto:danielle.fagonde@fivetowns.net).

Sincerely,

Danielle S. Fagonde



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Maine Educational Assessments (MEA) includes required assessments in Mathematics, English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy, and Science. For the 2019-20 administration, Maine will continue to utilize the eMPowerME for grades 3-8 and the SAT assessment for third-year high school students in Mathematics and ELA/Literacy. Students in grades 5, 8 and third year of high school will participate in the Science assessment. Students in grades 3-8 and third year of high school with significant cognitive disabilities will continue to participate in the Multi State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) to assess Mathematics and ELA/Literacy and a new Science Alternate Assessment (SAA) which will align to the Next Generation Standards. Maine will begin this transition to the SAA through a paper-based field test in the spring of 2020.

In the coming months, Maine will administer the eMPowerME, SAT, Science, MSAA and SAA assessments. The testing windows for the assessments are as follows:

Testing Window	Assessment	Intended for:
March 16 – April 10	eMPowerME Mathematics & ELA/Literacy	Grades 3 – 8
March 16 – May 1	MSAA Alternate Mathematics & ELA/Literacy	Grades 3 -8, third-year high school
March 30 – April 10	Science	Third-year high school
April 6 – May 22	Alternate Science Assessment (SAA)	Grades 5, 8, third-year high school
April 14	SAT Mathematics & ELA/Literacy (School day administration)	Third-year high school
April 27 – May 8	Science	Grades 5, 8
April 28	SAT Mathematics & ELA Literacy (make up)	Third-year high school

These assessments provide a snapshot of the standards that guide classroom instruction and provide valuable information about student learning. We are committed to providing accurate information to parents and families in our community about the value of student participation in statewide assessments.

As a parent, you may use the information from the assessments to help support your student at home and guide a discussion with your student's teacher to identify what, if any, additional support may be necessary in school. Teachers use this information, in combination with other forms of local data, to guide their instruction and provide more personalized activities and learning opportunities for students. While no single assessment can give a complete picture of achievement, when combined with other measures, it can provide important information about student progress.

Both the Maine Department of Education and our district are working to limit the amount of assessment at the state and district level to ensure that assessments provide meaningful information for teachers, students and families. When a student does not participate in the state assessment, valuable information is lost. We are committed to student achievement, and the MEA raises the bar for our students to ensure they are on the path to success. We are confident that with the quality instruction delivered by our dedicated educators, and your support, our students can meet and exceed these expectations. We encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher with any questions you may have about the MEA or your student's progress.

Thank you,

**Danielle Fagonde**

Danielle S. Fagonde, Principal





# Mission Possible

Girls in grades K-3, along with their families, are invited to join us for a FREE interactive event to learn more about becoming a Girl Scout.

## March 19th 2020

### 6 PM

### Lincolnvile Central School

523 Hope Rd, Lincolnvile, ME 04849

*If school is canceled due to weather, we will be tuning in live on our Facebook event!*

## TOGETHER WE WILL:

- ◆ Make a **SECRET CODE BRACELET** & other fun secret agent activities while exploring the power of STEM
- ◆ Receive your first Girl Scout patch for attending
- ◆ Team up with other members of the community to form new or join existing troops
- ◆ Complete your registration and become a Girl Scout!
- ◆ Discover the importance of the inclusive, all-girl environment of a Girl Scout troop where girls can try new things, develop a range of skills, take on leadership roles, and just be themselves.



**Are you ready to join now?**

**Register today at [girlscoutsofmaine.org/join](https://girlscoutsofmaine.org/join)**

**[girlscoutsofmaine.org](https://girlscoutsofmaine.org) | 888-922-4763 | [customer care@gsmaine.org](mailto:customer care@gsmaine.org)**

*This is not a school sponsored event*



**HEALTHY KIDS DAY®**

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 4**

**10 AM - NOON**

**FREE & Open to the Public!**

Get ready for summer with healthy, fun activities for kids and adults. Bring your friends & family, and let's create a stronger, healthier community for everyone!

**FLANAGAN COMMUNITY CENTER**  
61 Limerock Street, Rockland  
207.594.0321  
[www.penbayymca.org](http://www.penbayymca.org)

**READY. SET. SUMMER!**

**CAMP REGISTRATION DAY!**

Get ready for the best summer ever! Staff will be onsite to help register your child for camp! Be sure to bring along their immunization records to complete the process.

**For a better us.**  
[www.ymca.net/hkd](http://www.ymca.net/hkd)



# 2020 PEN-BAY LACROSSE

**Pre-Season Training @ The Pitch**

**Mondays, April 6, 13, 20, & 27**

**Girls grades 3/4, 5/6 & 7/8: 5-6pm**

**Boys grades 3/4 & 5/6: 6-7pm**

**Boys grades 7/8: 7-8pm**

**Sign-up at the Pitch or online:**

**<http://www.maineitch.com/lacrosse/>**





ALL THE SUMMER FUN UNDER THE MAINE SUN!



# SUMMER ACTIVITIES *Fair*

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Camden-Rockport Elementary School  
Gymnasium, 5:30-7:00 pm

Event brought to you by the Camden Rockport School Alliance

*Little League*  
**BASEBALL and SOFTBALL**  
*Registration Now Open!*



Find us on  
Facebook!

Five Town Little League registration for the 2020 season is now open for all players, ages 5 to 12. Parent volunteers also needed for all divisions.

Play organizational baseball, softball, and teeball while building the values of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

Register today online at [fll.sportsoffice.com](http://fll.sportsoffice.com).  
For more info, contact League President,  
Rick Thackeray, at [rthackerayjr@gmail.com](mailto:rthackerayjr@gmail.com).





# *Little League* Challenger BASEBALL

Challenger division is designed to meet the needs of children with physical and intellectual disabilities and is open to kids in grades K-12. Challenger strives to promote inclusion and is designed to have an open atmosphere.

The league is also looking for parent volunteers.

We hope to see you out on the field this season!

For more information, contact:

League President, Rick Thackeray, at [rthackerayjr@gmail.com](mailto:rthackerayjr@gmail.com) or

Challenger Coordinator, Dana Jackson, at [dana.jackson@charter.com](mailto:dana.jackson@charter.com)



Thanks to Herrick's Garage,  
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Five Town Little League registration for the 2020 season is now open for all divisions. Register online at [fll.sportsoffice.com](http://fll.sportsoffice.com) by July 1, 2020.