

April 22nd - April 26th

Dear Maranacook Faculty and Families

Thank you for a great week everyone. We are heading very quickly towards the end of the school year with Prom coming up next Saturday. I hope everyone remembers to enjoy the end of the school year despite the myriad of emotions it may bring.

Health Center: I know we are all excited about spring being here finally but with the warmer weather come the pests... Ticks have already been found on students. Please tell your students to check themselves after being outside and in the shower every night. Ticks love to attach to “hard-to-see areas” such as the groin, armpits, and scalp. If you find a blacklegged (deer) tick that is engorged and may have been attached for at least 24 hours you may want to inform your healthcare provider.

See the link below for proper removal of ticks, ways to avoid them, and what to do if you get a rash, fever, or joint/muscle pain in the weeks following the removal of a tick.

<https://www.cdc.gov/lyme/resources/toolkit/factsheets/Hooks-Ticks-and-Lyme-Disease-508.pdf>

Guidance: The Post Secondary Planning Night was held on Thursday - thank you to all of our presenters and to the parents and students who participated in the night!

Seniors have received an email with a google form to report their path after high school and give their t-shirt size for the end of year assembly. Please make sure your seniors fill this out!

Students who are taking an AP Exam will be doing the exam preadministration during second focus time on 4/30. This will help us save time on the test dates!

Math: Physics and Precalculus projects were presented this week. Mike Boyman said there was a model airplane glider, a pair of downhill skis, a dog-loading tennis ball launcher (it is not for sale), and a Newton’s cradle.

AP Calculus finished our curriculum and our reviewing for the AP exam. We will be looking at multiple choice problems and free response problems from practice tests and actual tests.

English: We want to extend a warm welcome to Katie Cooper. Katie has been working as a long-term substitute in the world language department and will be serving as the long term substitute for Patrick Forgue through the end of the year.

Katie will return next year as a full time member of the department. Katie studied at UMF and completed her student teaching in a 7-8 ELA classroom. She looks forward to greeting incoming Freshmen in the Fall and continuing to work with current Freshmen as they transition into their Sophomore year. We’re excited to have Katie as part of our department!

Science: Robotics is now tearing apart the robots that we have been using all year and rebuilding them for an autonomous slalom race around the classroom. This is one of the final projects of the year. The other two will be an off road 4x4 and a ball shooter.

Molecular Biology is wrapping up their year and will be analyzing how genetics can be used to estimate population shifts over time and mass migrations. DNA analysis will continue for a select few who wish to do additional research.

Biology has finished evolution and is now beginning to study ecology. As as part of that students will be designing and building bioengineering projects to solve real life problems.

In chemistry with Mrs.O'Donoghue we are wrapping up the unit on gases by applying Boyle's', Charles', and Gay-lussac's laws in various experiments using balloons, Pop Rocks, marshmallows, etc. Next week all students will be taking the unit test.

Art/Music/IA:

On Monday, April 22, Mr. Albert and students in the Maranacook Chamber Choir performed music in the Hall of Flags at the Maine State House Building in Augusta. Julia Tague-Lacrone and Derek Kelly performed two songs and we are really proud to have our talented students showcased in such an important event.. The Maine Arts Commission and ArtsEngageME hosted the event and it was the first ever **Arts + Culture Day**. Youtube link: <https://youtu.be/o3PeulXxZtk>

From the WABI website:

"The goal was to celebrate Maine's cultural sector and to help increase awareness for the arts in Maine.

There were many different speakers including Governor Mills and performances from high school kids and the Bangor Symphony Orchestra.

"This gives us an opportunity to highlight the folks that are manning the tables as well as give an opportunity for artists and art organizations and their boards to come and talk about what they are doing and tell their stories to our state legislatures."

Other performers included Lewiston High School senior Joao Victor, 2019 winner of the Poetry Out Loud award, Pineland Strings, and members of the Bangor Symphony. Speakers included Stuart Kestenbaum, Maine's Poet Laureate, and Governor Janet Mills.

Mr. Ferrero's students are doing excellent things, to further their skills and talents in his visual arts courses. Painting students are wrapping up work on their Atmospheric Perspective assignment where they learned how the earth's atmosphere interferes with colors and changes them as they recede into the distance. Darkroom Photography students are exploring abstract images as their

subject matter and applying their skills in the darkroom to develop black and white photos. Fine Metals students are mid way through their "Ring as Sculpture" assignment. They are busy building complex forms out of silver and copper and assembling them together using a torch. Pictures will be shared soon!

Athletics:

Monday, April 22nd Boys Tennis Lost to Brewer 4-1

Girls Tennis Won all Matches over Brewer 5-0

Boys Lacrosse Varsity Won 11-4 over Winslow and JV tied 3-3

Girls Varsity Lacrosse Won over Boothbay 10-9, no Jv game

Tuesday, April 23rd No Events Scheduled

Wednesday, April 24th Boys JV Lacrosse at Kents Hill at 3:30pm

Thursday, April 25th Baseball Varsity at MCI Won 5-0

Softball Varsity at MCI Won 19-6

Friday, April 26th No Events Scheduled

Saturday, April 27th Coed Track at MCI at 11am

Tennis vs Oceanside in Augusta at A-COPI at 1pm

Boys JV Lacrosse at Biddeford at 3:30pm and Varsity at 5pm

Girls Varsity Lacrosse Home vs. Lincoln at 3:30pm and JV at 5pm

Upcoming Events:

4/27 National History Day

4/27 International Dinner 5-6:30

5/1 Dropout Prevention Meeting in conference room B 5:45

5/1 Board Meeting at 6:30 in the student center

5/4 Prom 6-10 at the Barn at Silver Oaks Estate

5/6-5/16 AP Testing

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