

Explorations

Blue Hill Consolidated School

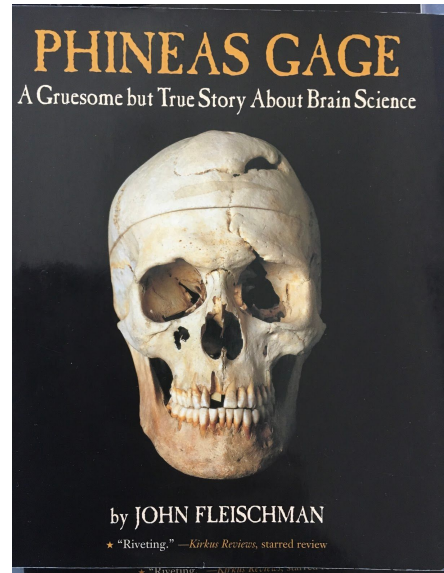
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Research around BHCS

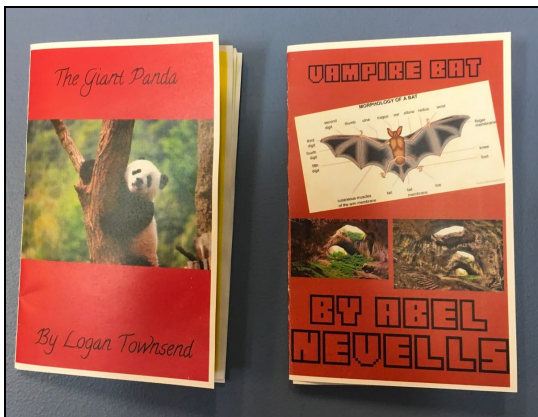
The third trimester is off to a great start with students all around the building working on research writing. They have been gathering facts from a variety of sources and presenting their findings in creative and informative formats.



Kindergarten starts to build their paper mache' animals to go with their animal research reports.



The eighth grade just finished reading Phineus Gage and now will research topics in neuroscience.



Non-fiction animal books written by third grade students.



Jazz Band Competition

by Emma Brown, Grade 8



This Saturday the BHCS 78's Jazz Band will be performing at the Maine State Jazz Competition. Highlights of the performance include "Don't Get Around Much" featuring solos by Grace Broughton on piano, Cole Stewart on trumpet, and Emma Brown on vocals. Another piece that the musicians have perfected is "The Nearness of You" with solos by Cole Stewart on the flugel horn, Emma Brown on vocals, Ross Stewart on the tenor sax, and Grace Broughton on piano. The set concludes with "Tiger of San Pedro" with solos by Elia O'Hara on flute, Cole Stewart on trumpet, Fiona Larkin on flute, and Ross Stewart on tenor sax. The band is under the direction of Mr. Schubeck who wants to remind us all the wisdom from Miles Davis that "there are no wrong notes in Jazz" - this is true of Jazz and of life!

The entire school wishes the 78's best of luck in Millinocket.

Dates to Remember

March 31 Grade 8 to MMA
All Month -
6th Annual Hancock County Food Drive
MEA Testing grades 3-8

MEA Testing

This week marks the start of our MEA testing in the state of Maine. These tests of Mathematics and English/Language Arts are for third through eighth graders. There are six sessions, and most take around 40 minutes to complete, but students may have extra time if needed.

Many of our classes began testing this week, while others will begin next week. There are certainly a lot of feelings when it comes to standardized testing, but it is a requirement of public schools and our overall school scores do become public, so we certainly encourage our students to do their best work. Some ways to help your child be successful (without overwhelming them) are to be sure they get a good night's sleep, arrive to school on time, and have a good breakfast. If students are out of school while their classmates take the test, they will make it up when they return. Please see the attached flier for more information about MEAs.

Spring Play - Curse of the Cobra's Kiss

This year's Grades 5-8 spring drama production is **Curse of the Cobra's Kiss**, a comedic murder mystery by Craig Sodaro. The actors have been hard at work and the show is looking great! Be sure to save the dates: **Wednesday and Thursday, April 12-13, from 7-8:30 pm**. Admission is free and donations are encouraged to help support the drama program at BHCS.

If you would like to help in some capacity with the show, please email this year's drama director, Mr. Jurick (mjurick@bhcs.org).

