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Proctor's fall athletic teams are having a tremendous season, including Andover's Braeden MacKenzie '24 helping lead the varsity girls soccer team to a 6-4-1 record so far.

AE/MS Holds Veterans Day Celebration on November 10

Brenda Lance, AE/MS

The AE/MS school community invites all veterans to a Veterans Day Celebration on Thursday, November 10, at 9:30 AM at Andover Elementary/Middle School. This event is to honor our veterans and show gratitude and respect for their duty and sacrifice. The students and staff would love to have you join us for an assembly in your honor.

We hope to see you on Thursday, November 10, at 9:30 AM in the AE/MS gymnasium. The program will take approximately an hour, and all veterans are welcome to stay after and enjoy some beverages and treats.



AE/MS seventh grader Ridge Nelson goes for control of the ball while playing Franklin Middle School this month.

Caption: Kasey Schoch. Photo: Adalyn Boucher

Andover Recreation Soccer Wrap-Up and Basketball Sign-Ups

Looking for new director for next season

Scott Allenby, Andover Recreation

Andover's Rec Soccer program completed a successful fall season thanks to the tireless effort of volunteer coaches at all levels. A huge thank you to each of these coaches for stepping up and making sure our youth had a positive experience on the soccer field. Each team was able to experience wins, losses, and the learning that goes along with athletics.

The 5th/6th grade boys and girls teams both took part in playoff tour-

naments to end the season, representing the town even if they did not bring home a championship. The 3rd/4th grade teams did the same at the Bob Andrew's Jamboree held at the New London Outing Club on October 16. If you see the coaches listed below around town, give them a pat on the back and a big thank you for all their work this season!

Grades K-2 Clinics: Molly Leith (lead), Jack Williams, and Ryan DiStefano

Grade 3/4 Boys: J and Lauren Koron and Kayden Will

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Solid Start for Proctor Athletics with Strong Performances

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Proctor Academy's fall athletic teams are off to a solid start to the fall season. As of October 22, varsity football sits at 3-1, varsity girls soccer is 6-4-1, varsity field hockey 6-3, and varsity boys soccer 3-7-2.

With just a few weeks remaining, teams look to continue their strong performances in the month of November. Check out a list of November varsity athletic contests below and check Proctor's athletics website for frequent updates at ProctorAcademy.org/on-campus/athletics.

November 2: Girls Varsity Soccer vs

Tilton School 2 PM

November 5: Varsity Field Hockey vs Tilton School 2 PM

November 9: Varsity Girls Soccer vs Brewster Academy 2:30 PM

November 9: Varsity Boys Soccer vs Tilton School 5 PM

November 12: Varsity Field Hockey vs Holderness School 1 PM

November 12: Varsity Boys Soccer vs Holderness School 2:30 PM

November 12: Varsity Girls Soccer vs Holderness School 4:30 PM

November 12: Mountain Biking at Proctor Ski Area 2 PM

Nature Presents Opportunities for Preschoolers to Enjoy Nature

Watch for holiday fundraiser announcement

Stephanie D'Amour, EAVP

We love autumn at EAVP! Nature gives us beautiful opportunities for learning this time of year. We enjoyed making fall wreaths, collecting the leaves, and reading our favorite season books like *Room on the Broom* by Julia Donaldson and *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything* by Linda Williams.

As the season changes and cold weather rolls in, so does cold and flu season. We've been talking with the preschoolers about best practices to keep everyone healthy.

A fun and engaging way to teach children about hand washing is with science! We used Glo Germ on our hands and then washed them under a black light to see how the germs can stay on your hands.

Our circle time becomes a great spot to bring all children

together as a community and create conversation for topics like this. We love doing calendar and weather each day, but we also love the organic discussions that can come up.

The holidays are right around the corner, and we have a fantastic fundraiser to help get you ready! Be on the lookout for details, or email EAVP@tds.net.



Preschoolers love the fall! We collected leaves on the playground and offered scissors and magnifying glasses to promote fine motor skills as well as curiosity and discovery. Adaline and Aaliyah are on the left. On the right are Carter and Liam. Caption and photo: Stephanie D'Amour