



Heather Jewett gave Ryelle Jenifer a lesson on the spinning wheel at AE/MS
Photos: Molly Kidane

SHARE Day Is May 18

By Jane Slayton
AE/MS principal

See How Arts Reach Everyone (SHARE) Day is coming to AE/MS on Friday, May 18th! SHARE Day is an annual tradition that over the years has become a favorite part of spring in Andover. It is a true community day!

This exciting day brings local artists, craftspeople, and musicians into the school to share their wealth of talents with AE/MS students. All students, kindergarten through eighth grade, benefit from SHARE Day.

Workshop content and format varies according to grade level. The morning is filled with workshops, and then, after a picnic lunch, there is entertainment, and the students have the opportunity to share with others what they made. Student groups often perform and share dances, songs, karate moves, drumming, or even walking on stilts they made.

SHARE Day depends on community involvement. Please consider offering a workshop, assisting with a workshop, or providing general help with the day. It is a great day, and it is lots of fun to be in the midst of the creative energy and enthusiasm.

Contact Gisela Darling at 735-5681 or Jane Slayton at 735-5494 if you are interested in helping or just learning

more about it.

Below is a sampling of past workshop offerings. Of course, we are always open to new ideas!

- Archery
- Bird Feeders
- Cake Decorating
- Karate
- Mosaic Tiles
- Photography
- Mural Painting
- Horses
- First Aid
- Dancing
- Fencing
- Mountain Biking
- New Hampshire Animals
- Quilting
- Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse
- Puppet Making
- Theatre Games
- Wire Sculpture
- Fly Tying and Fly Fishing
- Sewing
- Soap Making
- Golf
- Auto Detailing
- Stained Glass
- Lacrosse
- Poetry
- Woodworking
- Drumming
- Baking

Colonial Craft Day At AE/MS

By Ethan Davis and Caleb Chevie
AE/MS Fourth Grade

Mrs. Kidane's fourth graders went back in time to Jamestown in the 1700s to make some colonial crafts of that time. The craft projects were tin punching, spinning, knitting, baking, and rug braiding.

Students who did tin punching used hammers and nails to make designs on tin cans filled with ice. When the ice melted, a candle would light up the design. Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Ms. McMahon helped out with this activity.

Colonial time travelers used real spinning wheels to turn wool into yarn. Students found it hard to do until they got the hang of it.

In rug braiding, students took three scraps of fabric and braided them together to make a pot holder. Mrs. Gagne and her Andover Knitting Club friends – the Wool Wizards – helped with these two activities.

The last project was baking Johnny-cakes with homemade butter. Johnny-cakes are corn meal cakes which Jamestown colonists took with them when

they traveled.

These craft activities were fun and educational. We would like to thank the volunteers for participating in Colonial Craft Days. We really felt like we were in Jamestown that day.



Caleb Chevarie and Cyrus King punched decorative patterns into their tin lanterns.

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