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The Andover boys did most of their scoring in the 800m. Led by Matt Reynolds in 4th, David Reynolds in 5th, and Aiden Kellogg in 6th, the boys scored 12 of their 29 points. Matt Bent and Aiden Kellogg each ran their best times of the year.

In an extremely competitive 1600m, David Reynolds was 5th at 5:18. The race featured five runners under 5:20, running in a tight group with constant lead changes and a wild sprint for the finish. Nelson Makechnie was 9th in 5:38.

Rounding out the States scoring, Camden Donovan and Zack Cronin finished tied for 3rd in the high jump, with both clearing 4' 10".

In the girls discus, Tori Braley matched her season's best throw at 48' 10".

The State meet finished off a really strong season led by seven three-year veterans from the eighth grade: Teigan Friedrich, Cam Donovan, David Reynolds, Matt Reynolds, Nelson Makechnie, Hayden Buswell, and Britta Johnson. The team was 33 members strong with the addition of 15 fifth and sixth graders.

There were five regular-season meets followed by the Small School State Championships. The season started in late March with the team confined to workouts in the gym due to all the snow. They worked hard and made the best of it, and when we got outside we got great results. Throughout the season, team members supported each other and taught events to the younger athletes.

On the field event side Camden Donovan and Teigan Friedrich had great seasons. Camden tied the school record in the high jump, clearing 5' 0". He now shares the record with John Dukette and Tim McDaniel. In the javelin, Teigan Friedrich made great improvement, moving to 3rd all-time for Andover with a throw of 106' 3".

In other field events, eighth graders Cam Donovan and Hayden Buswell showed eager fifth and sixth graders the ropes in discus and shot put, helping everyone get to the events on time and throw well.

On the girls' side, Madalyn Goodwin helped some young ladies learn and compete in the long jump.

In the running events, Andover fielded a strong team from the 100m hurdles

all the way to the 1600m run. The sprint corps was led by Teigan Friedrich and Camden Donovan, bringing along first-time team member Zack Cronin in the 100m and 200m.

David Reynolds and Zach Shipley provided leadership for a group of 400-meter runners that spanned fifth to eighth grade, with everyone making solid improvements all year.

The 800m run is where the team's strength really shone this year. On the boys' side, the team was led by Matthew and David Reynolds. Matt and Dave traded the school record back and forth throughout the season, with Matt finally setting the record at 2:32.95.

New to the team this year were eighth graders Aiden Kellogg and Matt Bent, along with veteran 1600m runner Nelson Makechnie. All qualified for the State meet in the 800m and regularly scored five of the top seven spots in meets, creating a long blue line hard for other teams to break into.

In the 1600m run, David Reynolds and Nelson Makechnie finished their AE/MS careers with personal bests and school records this season. David lowered his school record from 5:32 all the way down to 5:16. Nelson improved his personal best down to 5:35.

On the girls' side, the 800m was a place for our fifth graders to shine. The group of Brynne Makechnie, Sasha Mackenzie, Lily Menard, and Sophia Reynolds put our competition on notice. All the girls showed steady improvement, with Sophia finally going to States and setting the school record in the 800m.

In the relays, our boys 4x100m team improved their handoffs steadily all year and qualified for States. The team consists of Camden Donovan, Matt Bent, Aiden Kellogg, and Teigan Friedrich.

The boys 4x400 team of Matt Reynolds, David Reynolds, Aiden Kellogg, and Nelson Makechnie ran well, narrowly missing States.

The girls 4x400m was another bright spot courtesy of the fifth graders. Five girls ran the 4x400m at various times: Sophia Reynolds, Brynne Makechnie, Lily Menard, Alexis Plante, and Sasha Mackenzie. They were the only all-fifth-grade team we saw all year and broke through in the Fifth and Sixth Grade Only Meet at Gilford with their first victory.

Proctor Robotics Students Donate a 3D Printer to AE/MS

Showed the students how to "print" objects

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Proctor Academy's robotics class has used 3D printers all year to explore motion, mechanics, and engineering principles.

Oliver Harston '15 took the knowledge he gained in the class into his Senior Project, using Proctor's 3D printer to design each component of a DNA strand that could be assembled and disassembled by students to explore different traits.

Oliver extended the reach of his project by teaming with Mr. Murphy's mid-

dle school science classes at AE/MS, who were studying DNA molecules this May.

Oliver and robotics instructor Josh Norris delivered a gift from Proctor to AE/MS – a 3D printer! Oliver explained to the AE/MS students how he went about designing and printing his 3D DNA molecule model and helped the students design their own printable objects.

Many thanks, also, to Proctor's Director of Technology, Jim Cox, for his continued generosity and willingness to share Proctor's technology with Andover students.

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