



Andover's Paige Makechnie receives navigational instructions from the crew of Roseway during a day sail from Portsmouth to Boston.

A Taste of Proctor's Off-Campus Programs

Scott Allenby, Proctor Academy

Thirty Proctor Academy students will study off-campus this fall. More than 90 over the course of the year, and roughly 85% of all graduating students will have the opportunity to study abroad. All five of Proctor's off-campus programs (Ocean Classroom, European Art Classroom, Mountain Classroom, Proctor en Segovia, and Proctor in Costa Rica) are transformative, and a group of thirty faculty, staff, and friends of Proctor were able to taste a bit of the off-campus experience on a day sail aboard Schooner Roseway in early August. Organized by Ocean Classroom Director Brooks Bicknell, the crew of Roseway, a one hundred year old historic tall ship that is home to Proctor's Ocean Classroom students for nine weeks each fall,

opened their decks for a day sail from Portsmouth to Boston Harbor on August 7.

While thunderstorms and unfavorable winds hindered the sailing, the experience was unforgettable for those aboard, and gave a new appreciation for the sense of adventure required of Proctor's students each fall. The crew of twenty-one students, including Andover's Chloe Makechnie '20 and James Southworth '21, will set sail on Friday September 20 from Boston Harbor and will sail along the eastern seaboard throughout October and November before reaching their final destination in St. Croix in mid-November. Learn more about Ocean Classroom and Proctor's Off-Campus programs at www.proctoracademy.org/off-campus.



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Andover's Vienna Marcus, Proctor Academy Class of 2020 has been elected School Leader for the coming school year.

Andover's Vienna Marcus '20 Elected School Leader

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Each year, Proctor Academy's students and faculty elect a school leader and assistant school leader to serve as representatives of the student body. For the 2019-2020 academic year, Andover's Vienna Marcus '20 has been cho-

sen to serve as School Leader. Vienna and classmate Hitch Graham '20 will attend weekly faculty meetings, sit in on disciplinary committee meetings, and will run the student government program among other responsibilities. Congratulations, Vienna!



AE/MS is Ready for A New School Year

Jane Slayton

The school doors open on September 3 to welcome students to a new and exciting school year! We have new staff members and new students joining the AE/MS community. We have had 23 new students register this summer!

Stephanie Bendixsen will be teaching 1st grade. We are excited to have her officially be part of our school. She has been a favorite substitute teacher for years. Mrs. Bendixsen will bring great energy and enthusiasm to AE/MS as well as a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) background and varied teaching experiences.

Mr. Michael Wiley will be the new technology integrator/tech support person at AE/MS. This is a natural move for Mr. Wiley as he has always been a

go-to person in our building for tech help. Mr. Wiley will now have all of his students back again as he will be teaching technology classes to grades K-8. We are excited about this change!

Returning to AE/MS this fall is Ms. Diane Adams. We are very excited to welcome her back in her new role. Mrs. Adams will be the permanent substitute and cover grades K-8 and anything else needed. Students will be thrilled with Mrs. Adam's classroom presence and personality. She brings many skills with her as well as joy and a positive attitude.

We are still hoping to hire a special education paraprofessional to collaborate with the classroom teachers and work with students in the 3rd-5th grade classrooms. If you know anyone who might

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Sofia, Ariana, and Cayla Johnson of Andover set up their "Girls With Attitude Show Gratitude turning lemons into backpacks" lemonade stand in front of the Andover Town Hall on Wednesday, August 14. The girls will use the money to purchase backpacks to donate to school kids. Helping out is their grandmother Denise Johnson and their friend Charlotte Whalen of Boscawen. Photo: Beacon staff



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