# The Maritime Anchor

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Annual Food Drive

Our Annual Food Drive concluded on November 19th. On Monday, November 22nd, Ms. LaVerghetta and a select group of 8th graders brought the food to the Harvest Ministries Pantry. Students in 5A helped load the bus with the donations and the 8th graders unloaded and sorted the donations. Once all donations were sorted, 6 families were provided food for the holidays and there was leftover for the food pantry.

Veteran's Day Performance

The Sea Shanty Chorus practiced and then performed in the District Attorney Office for Veteran's Day.

Character Development Activity

In Character Development cadets are working on their "Kindness Wave Challenge" school community service learning project. Students have been creating "Positive Post-Its" to distribute to staff. Cadets are making "Awesome Affirmation" cards to give to students and classrooms.

Candy For Navy

On Friday, November 12th Captain Cavaliere and Michelle Nolfi from The Seamen’s Church came to the elementary school to pick up the 85 ditty bags that were created from donations. Each bag contained toiletries, candy, and winter gear that will be given to The Seamen’s Church and the Veteran’s Comfort Home.

Elementary School in November

Ms. Donovan and some of our older cadets were mystery readers and did a fun Thanksgiving activity with the elementary students in 2B, high school students visited the elementary students and presented as part of our student retention strategy, and the new bus driver, Jahmal Harris, was introduced to our students.
High School

Friendsgiving
The 9th-12th grade students participated in a variety of Friendsgiving activities in their Transition class with Ms. Gara. The seniors participated in a "Potluck" style lunch and the juniors had a Thanksgiving breakfast, including pancakes and sausage. A group of 9th graders worked together to make pancakes and shared them family-style.

Sea Cadets & Veteran's Day
Graduate Clivehan Brooks graduated from the USCG Boot Camp

Senior Portraits
Seniors took their Senior Portraits on November 2nd.

Ditty Bags for Navy
High school students made ditty bags for the Navy

High School Happenings
In November, high school students participated in a Socratic Seminar with Ms. Sutton, the Sea Cadets hosted community members, and teachers participated in a Professional Development.