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News from Truro Central School

FORAGING IN THE CRANBERRY BOG

Just prior to two unexpected "Hurricane Days" due to Sandy, TCS second graders made their annual hike to a Beech Forest cranberry bog. Led by National Park Service Ranger Mitchell, students, teachers, and volunteer parents began the afternoon at the pond with a discussion of habitats. After a short hike into the beech forest and over a dune, the cranberry bog was in site!





An unusually dry summer and early fall meant that berries were not as plentiful as in previous years, and rubber boots not as necessary. Not to worry, however, as everyone picked a good-sized bag of the crimson treats. Each picker had his or her own plan for what would be made with the berries—cranberry sauce, cookies, muffins, coffee cake, and pie topped the list.

The day finished as happily as it started — with a treat of cranberry chocolate chip cookies, baked by second-grade teacher Mrs. Gazzano, and a robust trek back over the dune and through the woods.



