



# Cornwall Consolidated School E-News



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## This Week's Events

Mon, May 2nd	<b>9:00-10:00</b> 3:00 6:15-7:15	<b>Gr 3-8 SBAC Math CAT (Computer Adaptive Test)</b> Region One MS Activities (Baseball, Track & Coding) Gr 8 Mandatory Boston Trip Parent Virtual Mtg
Tues, May 3rd	<b>9:00-10:00</b> 3:00 3:00-4:00	<b>Gr 3-8 SBAC Math CAT</b> Region One MS Activities (4:30 Baseball Home Game vs Gilbert, Track & Art Garage) Middle School Homework Club
Wed, May 4th	7:30-8:15 3:00 3:00-4:00	CCS MS Student Advisory Mtg Region One MS Activities (Baseball) Middle School Homework Club
Thurs, May 5th	<b>9:00-10:00</b> 3:00 3:00-4:00	<b>Gr 3-8 SBAC Math PT (Performance Task)</b> Region One MS Activities (4:30 Baseball Game@ IMS, 4:00 Track Meet @ Litchfield & Art Garage) Middle School Homework Club
Fri, May 6th	1:00-3:00 3:00	CCS Walk A Thon Region One MS Activities (Baseball & Track)

## Upcoming Events To Be Aware Of

Wed, May 11th	12:10	Early Dismissal For Students for Teacher Professional Learning Day
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## Virtual Backpack



Check here weekly to ensure that you are up to date with flyers and notices that have been sent home with your child!

[Click here to see Flyers & Notices That Have Been Sent Home](#)

# Principal Page



Greetings Families,

Just a reminder that this is Teacher Appreciation Week! One way for your child to show appreciation to CCS staff is to write a note that states clearly what they appreciate about their teacher or other CCS staff member and how they have helped them learn and grow! A personalized message from a child means the world to educators. We do what we do every day because we want to make a difference in the lives of our children. For those younger ones, parents can scribe the message from their child and the child can add a picture or two. So please consider this option to show appreciation for our amazing staff!

Also, this Friday, May 6th, 2022, is the day of CCS's 18th Walk-A-Thon! The purpose of this event is to have fun, bring school and community together in an active and healthy way, and raise funds. **Anyone is welcome to join us for the walk.** The walk will start at 1:00 PM. The students will be bussed up Cream Hill to the intersection of Cream Hill/Cherry Hill/Cherry Hill/Cogswell Roads, where the walk begins. Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades will walk just shy of two miles, grades 3-5 will walk two and a half miles, and grades 6-8 will walk four miles. When the students complete their walk, they will be bussed back to the school for the remainder of the school day. If you are planning to join the walk, please be sure to let the office know. Call the main office at 860 672-6617 or email Patty Rovezzi at [provezzi@cornwallschool.org](mailto:provezzi@cornwallschool.org). The more the merrier so please join us if you can! Hope to see you on Friday!

Have a wonderful week!

# Habits of Mind

Below is a chart with all 16 Habits of Mind that we focus on with our children here at CCS. Even though we have a monthly focus on one Habit of Mind, it is important to continually discuss these life skills when opportunities arise. Teachable moments help to ensure that children see the value incorporating these life skills in their lives to help them strive for a meaningful and happy life. Pointing out when your child used that skill successfully will reinforce their importance. It also benefits them to debrief when they had a problem or struggled with a new task/skill. Reflecting with an adult and discussing what they could have done differently often points to a Habit of Mind skill that would have helped them to solve their problem or work towards doing so. Sharing with them our struggles as adults supports them as well to see that even as adults we make mistakes and have struggles.

<p><b>1. Persisting</b></p>  <p><b>Stick to it!</b> Persevering in task through to completion; remaining focused. Looking for ways to reach your goal when stuck. Not giving up.</p>	<p><b>2. Managing Impulsivity</b></p>  <p><b>Take your time!</b> Thinking before acting; remaining calm, thoughtful and deliberative.</p>	<p><b>3. Listening with Understanding and Empathy</b></p>  <p><b>Understand others!</b> Devoting mental energy to another person's thoughts and ideas; Make an effort to perceive another's point of view and emotions.</p>	<p><b>4. Thinking Flexibly</b></p>  <p><b>Look at it another way!</b> Being able to change perspectives, generate alternatives, consider options.</p>
<p><b>5. Thinking About Your Thinking (Metacognition)</b></p>  <p><b>Know your Knowing!</b> Being aware of your own thoughts, strategies, feelings and actions and their effects on others.</p>	<p><b>6. Striving for Accuracy</b></p>  <p><b>Check it again!</b> Always doing your best. Setting high standards. Checking and finding ways to improve constantly.</p>	<p><b>7. Questioning and Posing Problems</b></p>  <p><b>How do you know?</b> Having a questioning attitude; knowing what data are needed &amp; developing questioning strategies to produce those data. Finding problems to solve.</p>	<p><b>8. Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations</b></p>  <p><b>Use what you learn!</b> Accessing prior knowledge; transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.</p>
<p><b>9. Thinking &amp; Communicating with Clarity and Precision</b></p>  <p><b>Be clear!</b> Strive for accurate communication in both written and oral form; avoiding over-generalizations, distortions, deletions and exaggerations.</p>	<p><b>10. Gathering Data Through All Senses</b></p>  <p><b>Use your natural pathways!</b> Pay attention to the world around you. Gather data through all the senses, taste, touch, smell, hearing and sight.</p>	<p><b>11. Creating, Imagining, and Innovating</b></p>  <p><b>Try a different way!</b> Generating new and novel ideas, fluency, originality</p>	<p><b>12. Responding with Wonderment and Awe</b></p>  <p><b>Become intrigued!</b> Finding the world awesome, mysterious and being intrigued with phenomena and beauty.</p>
<p><b>13. Taking Responsible Risks</b></p>  <p><b>Venture out!</b> Being adventuresome; living on the edge of one's competence. Try new things constantly.</p>	<p><b>14. Finding Humor</b></p>  <p><b>Laugh a little!</b> Finding the whimsical, incongruous and unexpected. Being able to laugh at one's self.</p>	<p><b>15. Thinking Interdependently</b></p>  <p><b>Work together!</b> Being able to work in and learn from others in reciprocal situations. Teamwork.</p>	<p><b>16. Remaining Open to Continuous Learning</b></p>  <p><b>Learn from experiences!</b> Having humility and pride when admitting we don't know; resisting complacency.</p>



# Weekly Quote

AT CCS, we will share a weekly quote with your child(ren) which helps them to reflect on what it means to be a strong person, academically, socially and emotionally. Please talk to your child about the weekly quote.

## **\*\*NEW\*\*** *This Month's Focus: Questioning and Posing Problems*

Asking questions and posing problems can be a signal of your genuine curiosity and commitment to wanting to understand what your family member may be experiencing. An attitude of curiosity acknowledges that there are usually many different contributing factors to the situation, and that we don't yet know all of them. If we approach an encounter with our family member with curiosity instead of certainty, it is important to use an invitational tone when questioning — one that invites thinking. It is easy for a child to feel defensive and shut down rather than feeling comfortable sharing their thoughts. Here are some tentative language sentence stems that may be helpful to invite your child's thinking:

- *How might we...*
- *When could...*
- *Perhaps it might be...*
- *What do you imagine an alternative might be...*

(Cited from the [Habits of Mind Website](#) by Costa and Kallick)

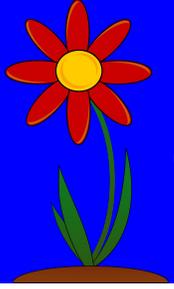
***This Week's Quote is: Asking questions is the first way to begin change.***



### Questioning & Posing Problems

- How do you know?
- Develop a questioning attitude
- Find problems to solve
- Be curious
- Wonder about possibilities





# Math at Home

## Outdoor Measurement Activities!

Danielle Krueger & Kristi Pramuka



Looking for some fun outdoor activities now that the weather is warming up? Explore the world outside and practice some measurement skills at the same time! Check out some ideas below.

### Measuring Tools



#### Nonstandard Measurement Tools:

Have your child try measuring spaces or objects using nonstandard measurement tools such as their own feet, a branch, a blade of grass, etc.

#### Rulers:

What child doesn't love using a ruler? Start off by giving your child a ruler and having a discussion about inches and centimeters. Turn them loose and let them measure anything and everything! After a little while, you can turn it into a more structured conversation. Practice ordering items found from smallest to largest. Give your child a specific measurement (i.e. 10 inches or 18 centimeters) and have them find objects that match the given measurement.

#### Tape Measures:

You can do the activities as above but with larger objects or spaces now. You can also measure the circumference of trees with the tape measure.



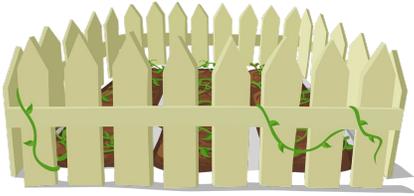
#### Scales:

You can bring a kitchen scale outside and measure the weight of different objects. These objects can then be compared to one another and lined up by their weight. You can then compare the height or length of the objects too and see how that measurement compares to their weight.



# Math at Home

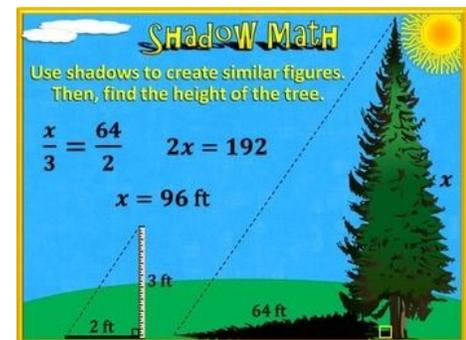
## Measurements in the Garden



- Talk about how best to determine the area of your garden in the backyard. What measurements do you need? What unit should you measure in - inches, centimeters, feet, yards, etc.? What formulas should you use? Is the garden a composite figure that you should break into smaller parts to determine the total area? Once you've come up with a plan, execute it and determine the area!
- Now that you've determined the area of the garden, how much mulch do you need to cover the garden? How deep does the mulch need to be? Based on that decision, determine the total volume of the mulch that will be needed.

## Using Shadows to Measure

- Have you ever wondered how tall that tree in the yard really is? You can figure it out with a few measurements and similar triangles! (Don't worry - you don't need to climb the tree!) You'll need to find your height, the height of your shadow, and the height of the shadow of the tree. Draw a quick diagram of two similar triangles representing you and your shadow and the tree and its shadow. Now you can use the proportional relationship between those two similar triangles to figure out how tall that tree really is! Try it again with another tree or a flagpole!



# CCS Yearbooks!

**On sale now!      \$15 each**

Yearbooks include beautiful photos, artwork, writing, and lasting memories from every class and every student in the school.

*To purchase a yearbook, please complete the form below and send in to school with \$15 cash or a check. Checks should be made payable to Town of Cornwall. There is a limited amount of Yearbooks available so please send in asap.*



*Note: 8th Graders are given a FREE Yearbook as a graduation gift.*

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## CCS Yearbook Order Form

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**I have enclosed \$15** \_\_\_\_\_ **CASH** or \_\_\_\_\_ **Check**

# SCHOOL INFORMATION

## 2022-2023 CCS Kindergarten Screening & Registration Information

Cornwall Consolidated School Kindergarten Screening & Registration for the 2022-2023 school year will be held at the end of May 2022. All children five years of age and over who reach age five on or before the first day of January 2023 are eligible. Parents should call the school office at 860-672-6617 to get on the list for Kindergarten screening and registration. Parents will need to bring their child's/children's official immunization record, birth certificate, and proof of residency on the day of registration.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT!

Students are keeping their bodies and brains active at this point in the year! They are putting in a lot of hard work and great thinking during the day, and are also moving more, as we are spending more time outside. Please be sure to send your child with healthy snacks for snack time (fruit, nuts, crackers, granola bars) and a healthy lunch.



# Field Trip & Event Pics



**Thank you to Ellen Moon who treated grade 1 & 2 with her amazing storytelling!**

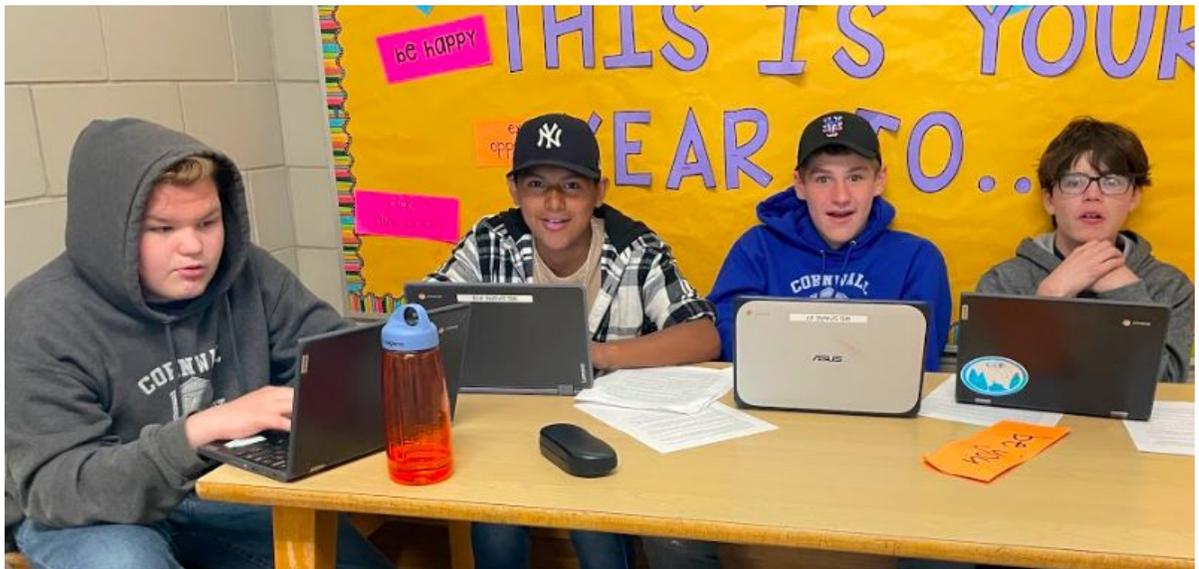


**Gr 3 enjoyed a musical performance at Music Mountain by the Bard College Conservatory of Music.**



**8th grader, Everet, ran a successful soccer clinic last week for his Exploration Project.**

# Thinking Interdependently at CCS



# CCS Community Photos



# Cornwall Library & Social Services Info



**The following message is from Eiseley Kotchoubey, Children and Young Adult Program Coordinator at The Cornwall Library:** *The Cornwall Library will offer two weeks of summer camp for Cornwall children: the weeks of July 25 to 29 and August 15 to 19 from 9am until 5pm. We plan lots of interesting programming plus plenty of time outdoors, reading, and free time. Camp size is limited to 12 children. Ages: children entering first through fourth grades. The fee is \$150 per session. Please complete an application form which will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis with some adjustments for a balance of age and interests. Scholarships are available. Please email [cornwalllibraryya@gmail.com](mailto:cornwalllibraryya@gmail.com) with any questions, application here: <https://forms.gle/G4on6XrX1AGTuh4LA>*



**The following message is from Heather Dinneen, Director Of Cornwall's Department of Social Services:** *If you are in need of food / household items, it is very easy to put in a request. Just complete the form linked below by 3pm on Thursdays, and your items will be ready for pick-up / delivery on Monday afternoon. Please share with your Cornwall friends and neighbors who might need a little support! No questions asked, just need to be a resident of Cornwall to make a request. Questions? Call/text Heather, Social Service Director- 860-671-9315*

**[Cornwall Food / Household Item Request Link](#)**

# Summer Camp Opportunity



## SHARON BASEBALL CAMP '22

JUNE 20,21,22

**AGES : 7-14 YRS**

**WHERE : VETERANS' FIELD SHARON**

**WHEN : 9:00AM - 2:30 PM**

**COST : \$75**

**STAFF : JIM SMITH AND COLLEAGUES**

The Sharon Baseball camp will include individual skill work through drills and activities. Participants will receive a camp t-shirt, a ball park lunch on the last day of camp and an individual evaluation. You can register online by going to [SHARONCT.MYREC.COM](http://SHARONCT.MYREC.COM), establish an account and then register for the Sharon Baseball Camp Activity. You can also continue to fill out the information below and return with your payment to Sharon Parks and Rec., Box 385, Sharon, CT 06069. Call 860-364-1400 for further information.

[Sharon.rec.ctr@snet.net](mailto:Sharon.rec.ctr@snet.net)

CAMPER NAME : \_\_\_\_\_ . PARENT NAME : \_\_\_\_\_ .

PHONE : \_\_\_\_\_ . EMAIL : \_\_\_\_\_ .

EMERGENCY CONTACT : \_\_\_\_\_ .

T-SHIRT SIZE : YS YM YL AS AM AL AXLG CAMPER'S AGE : \_\_\_\_\_ .

PARENT SIGNATURE : \_\_\_\_\_ .

# Summer Camp Opportunity

## **ROCK BAND CAMP**

West Cornwall, CT



GIFTS - CLOTHING - HOMEWARES

***Play and perform in  
a band this summer!***

## **ROCK BAND CAMP**

@ The Union, West Cornwall, CT

For young musicians ages 9-18

Two Sessions:

- July 18-22 10:00-2:30
- July 25-29 10:00-2:30

**PERFORMANCE  
FRIDAY!**

more info & to register:

[replayrockschool.com/rock-band-camp-ct/](http://replayrockschool.com/rock-band-camp-ct/)

email: [info@replayrockschool.com](mailto:info@replayrockschool.com)

call: 917-821-4188



# Need Financial Help to Send Your Child to a Summer Camp? CCSFE is there to help!



## **Cornwall Consolidated School Fund for Excellence**

The Cornwall Fund for Excellence is providing scholarships to Cornwall families with children in kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade for summer activities, summer camps, or summer programs.

Applications will be approved as they are received, on a first come, first served basis.



If interested in applying-  
Please email Nancy Berry for a scholarship application.

[nancy.g.berry@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.g.berry@gmail.com)



**No Applications will be accepted  
after June 20th, 2022**

# Another Financial Support Opportunity for A Summer Arts Program



*Are you interested in taking classes in the Arts this summer?*



*Are you concerned about the cost of the programs?*

**The Arts Fund for Region One (Susan Fillman Memorial Scholarship) wants to help!**

The Arts Fund for Region One is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing arts related experiences for all students in Region One. To date the Arts Fund has granted more than \$ 70,000 in scholarship assistance to Region One students pursuing interests in the arts.

The Arts Fund for Region One does not offer classes for students. It provides funding for students to attend classes of their choice. Students are free to choose programs in and outside the region which pertain to their interests. In the past the Arts Fund has provided funding for students to attend programs and workshops in dance, drama, music, art, photography and writing. Some programs students have attended in the past are:

- The Center for Creative Youth at Wesleyan University
- Performance Plus
- The Youthatre Camp of TriArts in Sharon
- Falls Village Children's Theatre
- The Litchfield Jazz and Performing Arts Center
- Buck's Rock Camp
- The Digipen 3-D Animation Workshop
- Hartford Art School
- Berklee Music School
- Stage Door Manor House
- Grumbling Gryphons
- Barrington Stage
- National Guitar Workshop
- The Pre College Summer Institute
- The American Dance Festival at Duke University
- The Nutmeg Conservatory for the Arts
- Arts in Motion
- Red Barn Art Program
- Creative Kidz
- Kent School Writing Program
- Individual music and voice lessons.



If you are interested in applying for an Arts Fund for Region One (**Susan Fillman Memorial**) Scholarship please visit [www.berkshiresaconic.org](http://www.berkshiresaconic.org) to fill out an application. Questions may be directed to Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation at 413-229-0370 or Linda Peppe at [lpeppe@tcceschool.org](mailto:lpeppe@tcceschool.org) or at 860-824-5774.

**The application deadline is May 15, 2022**