



Cornwall Consolidated School E-News



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This Week's Events

Mon, April 25th	3:00	Region One MS Activities (Baseball, Track & Coding)
Tues, April 26th	3:00 3:00-4:00	Region One MS Activities (Baseball, Track & Art Garage) Middle School Homework Club
Wed, April 27th	3:00 3:00-4:00 3:00-4:00	Region One MS Activities (4:30 Baseball Home Game vs Berkshire Waldorf) Middle School Homework Club Gr 4-6 Soccer Clinic (Gr 8 Exploration Project)
Thurs, April 28th	11:45-2:05 3:00 3:00-4:00 3:00-4:00	Gr 3 Music Mountain Field Trip Region One MS Activities (4:30 Baseball Home Game vs KCS, Track & Art Garage) Middle School Homework Club Gr 4-6 Soccer Clinic (Gr 8 Exploration Project)
Fri, April 29th	3:00 3:00-4:00	Region One MS Activities (Baseball & Track) Gr 4-6 Soccer Clinic (Gr 8 Exploration Project)



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



I hope everyone was able to enjoy a break from school and had some time to relax. It is hard to believe that May is right around the corner! We are working on setting up more activities and educational opportunities for the end of our school year. The last day of school for students will be Thursday, June 16th which is only 38 days of school away!

The first week of May is Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2nd-6th). I wanted to share a way to show appreciation for your child's teacher(s) that would mean the world to them. The most amazing thing you can do is encourage your child(ren) to write a note to their teacher(s) that states clearly what they appreciate about their teacher(s)/staff members.

As much as we do appreciate gift cards, flowers or other gift items, I can tell you that a personalized message means the world to educators. We do what we do every day because we want to make a difference for children and their families. I know myself that I often go and reread notes given to me over the years that lift my spirits when down. 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, we will administer SBAC (CT state assessments) in grades 3-8 and Fastbridge (our universal screener given 3x a year) in grades K-8 in May. I will be sending out an email to communicate to you in more detail about dates and times for these as well.

Looking forward to seeing everyone Monday and finishing the year strong!

Best,
Mary Kay Ravenola, Principal

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.



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

This Month's Focus: Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations

New learning can be challenging and too often we forget what we already know. Sometimes we see our children approach a situation as if it is the first time rather than realizing that they may already have some prior experiences that might help them to meet this new challenge. When we ask them to pay attention to what they already know about the topic content and/or strategies they used to solve a problem, they are tapping into their memory bank of learnings. When a child transfers learning to a new situation, they are building their intellectual muscles. Learning is not just an accumulation of isolated facts or skills — it is finding the connections or patterns that paint a bigger picture that is more easily stored in your memory for future use. When your child talks with you about new learning topics, consider asking one or more of the following questions:

- ***What does this situation or problem remind you of?***
- ***What do you already know about this?***
- ***What are some experiences that you can relate this to?***
- ***What parts of the situation or problem do you need more clarity on?***
- ***What words are you unclear about?***
- ***What about this is just like something else you know? Can you come up with an analogy such as “when I see this, it is just like”***

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

This Week's Quote is: When you've worked hard and done well, and walked through that doorway of opportunity, you do not slam it shut behind you. ~Michelle Obama



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 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, 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

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

***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/

email: 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 8th 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



**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 to fill out an application. Questions may be directed to Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation at 413-229-0370 or Linda Peppe at lpeppe@tccschool.org or at 860-824-5774.

The application deadline is May 15, 2022

Poetry Read Aloud Day

Huge thank you to all our readers on our Poetry Day, Thursday April 14th. The students enjoyed having visitors read to them and share their thoughts.



Iris Hermann



Bridget Taylor



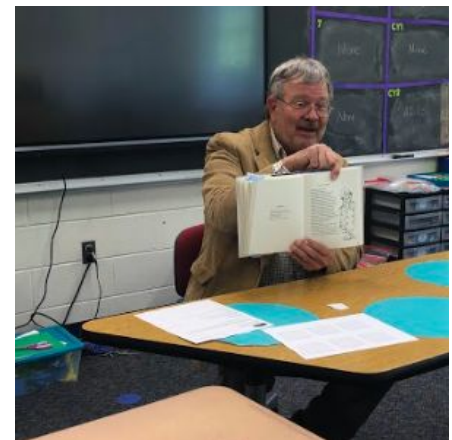
Joyce Samson



Hugh Cheney



Lisa Carter



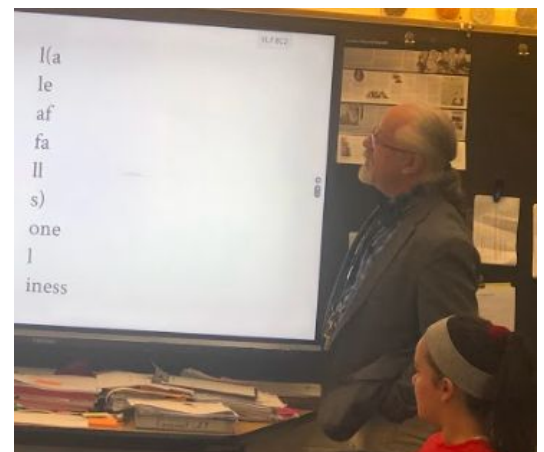
David Cadwell



Mitchell Kosciusko



Sally Hart



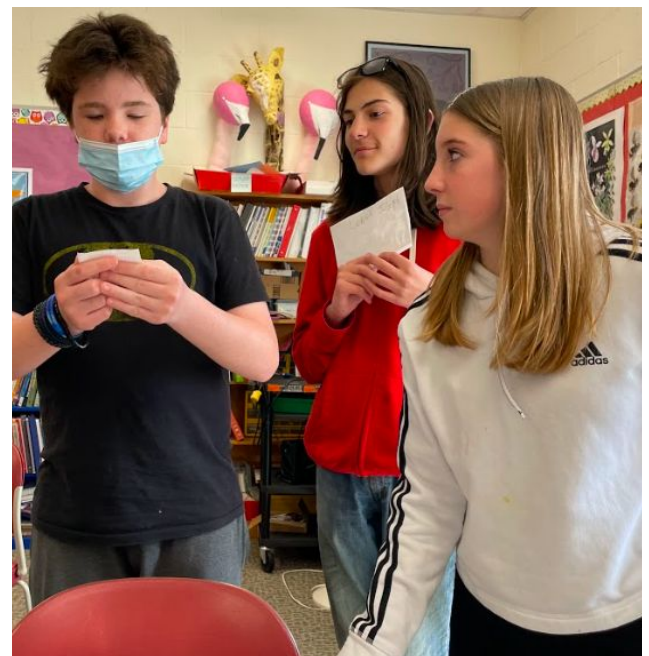
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Gr 8 Little Guild Fundraiser

Gr 8 students held a successful fundraiser for the Little Guild and delivered the items collected right before break. We are so proud of their thoughtfulness and caring for our community! Thank you for supporting their cause.



Thinking Interdependently at CCS



CCS Community Photos

