



Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School

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Notes to Home: October 6, 2025

Greetings CCLCS Families,

What fantastic community building events we celebrated last week! On Friday, the students had a great time bonding over cornhole, line dancing, street hockey, a musical trivia, pizza party, and zombie/scarecrow attack! Thanks to the many families who contributed items or time to this wonderful tradition. Then, with the dust still not settled from Fall Fest, we hosted our second annual Homecoming celebration on Saturday. With a dunk tank, popcorn machine, Uncle JuJu's food truck, an ice brew coffee kegerator, student tour guides, pumpkin decorating, a goal scoring bonanza by our boys soccer team, and, most excitingly, dozens of CCLCS alumni back on campus, the event was a resounding success. Thanks to all who dropped by to take part in the festivities, and a special thank you to all who donated their time, talent and treasure to the event. We doubled our charitable contributions from last year, raising nearly \$4,000 in support of the CCLCS Educational Foundation: all part of our larger mission to create a collective space where middle schoolers feel supported, can grow, and contribute to something larger than themselves!

Warm regards,

Ben

CCLCS Merch!

The CCLCS School Store is open through October 19th! Place your order today!! The store won't open again until the spring, so now's the time to stock up to show your CCLCS pride! <https://tinyurl.com/y7anw3z7>

Breakfast and lunch ordering for the rest of October is open on Ez School Apps. Please discuss options with your student to ensure that they are actually eating what you order!! **8th graders - be sure to cancel your breakfast and lunch for your days in the White Mountains!!**

Halloween Dance! There will be a Halloween Dance for CCLCS Students ONLY on Friday, October 24th! Stay tuned for the exact time. Adults chaperones needed - email hkast@cclcs.info if you can assist!

**ORDER YOUR
CCLCS MERCH!**

ITEMS SHIPPED DIRECTLY TO YOU
STORE OPEN THROUGH OCTOBER 19TH

THANK YOU to everyone who donated items or time to help make last Friday's fall fest such a fun event!!!!

Looking Way Ahead: **MCAS DATES!**

Please mark your calendars and avoid making appointments/ traveling during these dates.

We are in need of **tissues** if you are able to donate a box or two. Thank you!!

Please have your student check **Lost and Found**. We have many sweatshirts and a few coats that will all be donated this Friday (10/10) after school.

CCLCS MCAS Schedule for 25-26:

ELA:	<u>8th Grade Only</u>
6th: March 30, 31	STE:
7th: April 1, 2	8th: April 27, 28
make-ups: April 3	make-ups: April 29, 30
8th: April 6, 7	Civics:
make-ups: April 8, 9, 10	8th: May 27, 28
Math:	make-ups: May 29
6th: May 11, 12	
7th: May 13, 14	
make-ups: May 15	
8th: May 18, 19	
make-ups: May 20, 21, 22	



Please avoid appointments & travel on these dates!

Also, remember your student should bring in a **water bottle** for use during the school day. It is helpful if they are labeled. You'd be amazed at how many water bottles go missing!

Please remember in order to keep our community safe **We Are a Nut Free Facility**. No nuts in snacks or lunches, including items like Nutella snacks and granola bars. Also, please refrain from bringing glass containers or perfume to school.

During the week of October 14, 2025 the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's (DESE's) Office of Language Acquisition (OLA) will conduct a **Tiered Focused Monitoring Review** of Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School. More information can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/4fjws6s6> (Portuguese copy here: <https://tinyurl.com/57ryeskn>)

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## STUDENT HANDBOOK/ RESPONSIBLE USE POLICY

**We still do not have a response from every family!!!!**

If you haven't yet, please carve out a few minutes to review our Student Handbook and the Responsible Use Policy. **Please complete the acknowledgement form for BOTH documents!!**

[Student Handbook](#) & [Acknowledgement Form](#) (Student Handbook)

[Responsible Use Policy](#) & [Acknowledgement Form](#) (Responsible Use Policy)

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Clubs & Seminars!

Homework Club: Homework Club is open to all grades and meets on Mondays after school from 3:00-4:00. The purpose is to provide a quiet, structured space for kids to complete assignments. No sign up is necessary and students may stay when needed. Please pick up promptly at 4:00 PM.

Rainbow Alliance: The Rainbow Alliance will meet on Tuesdays during lunch and recess starting tomorrow. The school's gender/sexuality club is open to everyone - members of the LGBTQ community AND their allies! Students in all grades are welcome to join to share ideas, read stories, talk about headlines, get to know each other, and have fun! Please contact Ms. Strakele (dstrakele@cclcs.info) or Ms. Hyora (jhyora@cclcs.info) with questions.

Model UN Club! Just a reminder that there will be NO Model UN Club meetings this week (10/6), next week (10/15), or the following week (10/22). See you all again on Wednesday, 10/29! Questions, please contact Ms. O'Leary (coleary@cclcs.info)

Roots and Shoots! Roots & Shoots will meet Thursday afternoon. The group meets until 4. Contact Ms. GP (sgrahampye@cclcs.info)

Student Government: Those interested in participating in student government should meet with Ms. GP Friday during lunch/recess. Listen to morning announcements for more details. Contact Ms. GP (sgrahampye@cclcs.info)

Music !

There will be **Band** lessons for band instruments during the day on Tuesday. Students who were invited to the before school band should join us tomorrow from 7:45-8:30. This is just a start, more beginner musicians will be included when ready! Questions can be directed to msmith@cclcs.info

CCLCS STRINGS! This week's schedule will be as follows: Wednesday, October 8th at 7:45 in the Spanish classroom is beginner violin with Olive and Ariana. On Friday, October 10th, we will have Ensemble for ALL from 7:45 until 8:30 AND this week is the start of sectionals (when your child will be rotated out of their regular class for more intensive, personal instruction. I will be sending all of you an email with the complete schedule.) The sectionals on October 10th will be: 1st period in Mrs. Wilkinson's room with Kiana and Rory, and second period in Ms. Metz's room with Alexa. See you all very soon! Mrs. Schultze

CCLCS Chorus Thursdays before school from 7:45-8:30. All students are welcome to join.

Contemporary Music Ensemble: Guitarists and keyboards meet with Mr. G on Thursday, October 9 during 6th period 2:03-2:50

Musical Theater Show Choir Fridays after school from 3:00-4:00. All students are welcome!

Sports!

Sports This week (10/6 - 10/11)

BOYS SOCCER Mon - Game at St John Paul 3:45, Tue - Game at Falmouth Acad 3:30, Wed - Practice 3:30 - 5:00, Thurs - NO Practice, Fri - Game vs Trinity 3:45

GIRLS SOCCER Mon - Game vs St John Paul 3:45, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30 (**NO GAME TUE**), Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thurs - Game vs Cape Cod Acad 4:00

FIELD HOCKEY Mon - Game at Monomoy 4pm, Tue - Game at DY 4:00, Wed - NO Practice, Fri - NO Practice

CROSS COUNTRY Mon - Meet vs Nauset 4pm, Tue - Meet vs DY 4pm, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thurs - No Practice

Sports Next week (10/13 - 10/18)

BOYS SOCCER Mon - NO SCHOOL, Tue - Practice 3:30 - 5:00, Wed - Game at DY 4pm, Thurs - Game at Trinity 3:45

GIRLS SOCCER Mon - NO SCHOOL, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Wed - Game vs Monomoy 4pm, Thurs - Game vs Nauset 4pm

FIELD HOCKEY Mon - NO SCHOOL, Tue - Practice 3:30 - 5:00 (Brewster), Wed - Game at DY 3:45, Thurs - Game at Nauset 4pm, Fri - Practice 3:30 - 5:00 (CCLCS)

CROSS COUNTRY Mon - NO SCHOOL, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thurs - Meet vs SJP 4pm

6th Grade

Week at a Glance: <https://tinyurl.com/3az29exm>

SAVE THE DATES!! 6th grade will be heading to Pilgrim Monument on Thursday, October 16th and will be headed to Camp Burgess for a day the week of October 27th. Look for an email this week with details including cost and registration info!

Art: Our 6th grade artists are diving into figure drawing using wooden mannequins to learn how to capture the human body in correct proportions with pencil and charcoal. Next, they'll bring their drawings to life with color, exploring warm, cool, and contrasting tones using colored pencils to create a more expressive artwork.

ELA: Students in 6th grade ELA will need to pick an independent reading novel to be used for homework and an in class assignment. This should be a chapter book that will be able to cover topics like theme, setting, and character traits. Students will be creating a one pager project in class for their novel of choice.

7th Grade

7th Grade Assessment Calendar: <https://tinyurl.com/47ytyerr>

Art: 7th graders are working from observation drawing their own eyes in pencil, focusing on detail and realism. After that, they'll expand their creativity with a larger, imaginative project that explores color and self-expression: asking themselves, "Are our eyes really the windows to the world?"

8th Grade

Week at a Glance: <https://tinyurl.com/23fasrdn>

French: En classe: Number & Alphabet Fun + Comparing France's Mont Blanc to White Mtns
Chez toi: Thematic Number Poster due 10/17

Art: 8th grade artists are putting the finishing touches on their symbolic self-portraits, using abstract symbols to tell personal stories about the people, places, and things that matter most to them. Exciting News: On Sunday, I fired my first bisque kiln at CCLCS, filled with 8th grade Japanese Tea Bowls: wahoo!

White Mountains: The White Mountains trip departs THIS WEDNESDAY! Students should arrive at CCLCS at 7am. Please pack a lunch for day one and send bus friendly snacks (nothing that's sticky or could spill!). Students will have their devices collected once they arrive - if a parent or guardian needs to get in touch with the group during the trip they can contact the [Highland Center](#).

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, October 8th - Friday, October 10th: 8th Grade White Mountains Trip
- Monday, October 13th: No School (Indigenous Peoples' Day)
- Thursday, October 16th: 6th Grade to Provincetown (*more information to come*)
- Wednesday, October 22nd & Thursday, October 23rd: Half Days (11:45am dismissal)
Conferences. *Families will be notified in mid-October if a conference is requested!*
- Friday, October 24th: Halloween Dance! More info to come!
- Tuesday, November 11th: No School (Veterans' Day)
- Wednesday, November 12th: High School Showcase (6pm) - 8th grade only!
- Tuesday, November 18th: Admissions Open House for Prospective Families
- Tuesday, November 25th: Half Day
- Wednesday, November 26th- Friday, November 28th: No School (Thanksgiving).

Community Notes



The poster is for a "Winter Coat Drive" and features a light beige background decorated with white snowflakes. At the top, there are three logos: "Advocates" with the tagline "Caring Partners. Creative Solutions. Better Lives.", "Family Resource Centers Cape Cod", and "PEOPLE OF ACTION". The main title "Winter Coat DRIVE" is prominently displayed in the center, with "Winter Coat" in a blue, stylized font and "DRIVE" in a large, pink, outlined font. Below the title, a pink banner contains the text: "Help keep a child warm this winter! Please make your donation. Every coat makes a difference!". Underneath the banner, it states: "Donations can be made at Macy's (located next to the Ten Pin Entrance) every Saturday and Sunday from 12-6 PM, until October 11th." The bottom section of the poster features an illustration of five diverse children in winter clothing (coats, hats, scarves) standing in a line. To the left of the children are logos for "Community Partners: Cradles to Crayons END CLOTHING INSECURITY" and "macy's". To the right is a logo for "Space provided by: HYCC Hyannis Youth & Community Center". Various winter items like a scarf, a hat, and a pair of gloves are also illustrated on the poster.

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macy's

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Free Community FILM & Fright Night



**October 22
5PM - 8 PM**

FREE community Film and Fright Night featuring
Hocus Pocus 1 and 2 starting at 5:30pm.
Outside projector and screen so dress warm,
bring blankets and enjoy a spooky evening!

Popcorn

Cotton Candy

Dress Up

Trunk-or-Treat



Cape Cod
Post Acute Care

**383 S Orleans Road
Brewster, MA 02631**
MMcKay@CapeCodRehabHC.com





**Grades
5-12**

Harwich Community Center Teen Clothing Swap

Exchange your gently used clothes and
accessories for new-to-you items!
Drop off your donations, then come
back to shop the Swap on:

**Sunday, Nov 2nd
9am-1pm**

Drop off your
donations between
normal business
hours on
**Oct 1st -
Oct 27th**

What can I donate?

Gently used, clean clothing free from rips, tears, or stains. Accessories in good condition such as backpacks, hats, jewelry, scarves, bags, hair accessories, sunglasses, belts, etc. are also acceptable. We are unable to accept shoes, socks, undergarments (including sports bras & tights), or swimwear. **Donations are limited to a maximum of 10 items per person. No exceptions please!**

Can I still come to the Swap if I didn't donate?

Yes! Every youth who visits the Swap will automatically receive 5 tickets to shop on, even if you didn't donate. Those who donated will receive bonus tickets for each item they donated to the swap, up to 10 bonus tickets.



**For more information, call
508-430-7568
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