



# Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School

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## Notes to Home: March 16, 2026

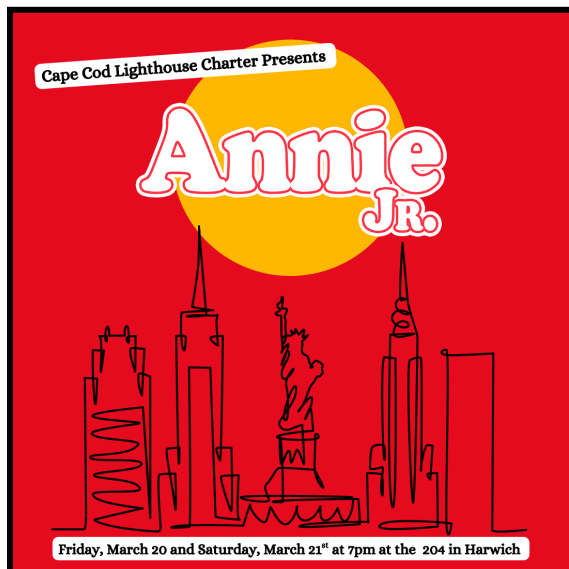
Greetings CCLCS Families,

*I haven't filled out my brackets yet, but I am excited by the prospect of watching a few games of the Men's and Women's NCAA Basketball Tournaments set to tip off later this week. I happened to be up late babysitting for my neighbors the night that Christian Laettner hit his last second miracle shot to beat Kentucky in the 1992 final, and since then I have always been caught up by the spectacle and excitement of March Madness. In its purest form, the tournaments still represent the best that amateur athletics has to offer: teamwork, charismatic coaching, innumerable tests of character, and pride in one's school. As I visit classrooms this morning on my Monday "rounds," I am heartened to see so many of these virtues on display right here at CCLCS. Mr. Rose is making the most of the rainy day by coaching the 6th graders through some spirited futsal games in the multipurpose space. Ms. Haven has her 8th grade classroom in total darkness conducting a cool spectroscopy lab, and Ms. Metz's 7th graders are working on their SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound) in Spanish, to name but a few of the lessons in action. The only real difference between the Big Dance and CCLCS's own version of March Madness is that here every student is a winner - as long as they buy into the spirit of teamwork, actively participate in whatever task is put before them, and always give it their best shot! I, for one, could not be more proud of our team. Go Lightkeepers!*

Warm regards,

Ben

**THIS WEDNESDAY (March 16th) is a HALF DAY! 11:45am Dismissal**



**Annie Jr this Weekend!** Join us Friday,

March 20th and/or Saturday March 21st for CCLCS' production of Annie Junior!!

Both are 7pm shows at the 204 Cultural Arts Building in Harwich (off old exit 10). \$5 tickets.

Our students and staff have been working hard for TWO seminars to put on a great musical this weekend. Come on out to support their hard work!

**Reminder: today is the first day of Term 3! Let's finish the year strong!**

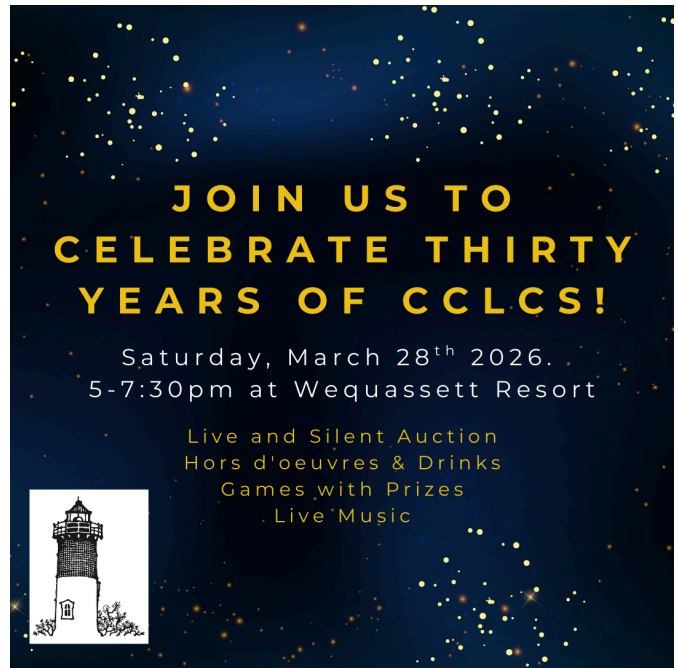
## OUR AUCTION IS 12 DAYS AWAY!!!

WE STILL NEED RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS, especially from Upper Cape Towns (Barnstable, Sandwich, Mashpee, Falmouth)!!!! Please ask around!!

### TIME TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS!

Join us to celebrate CCLCS!! This is an **ADULTS ONLY** event at Wequassett Resort that will feature auction games, drinks, hors d'oeuvres, and live music from Natalia Bonifini and Keb Hutchings (CCLCS Class of 2016!) Please invite family and friends for a fun night out celebrating our school!

<https://tinyurl.com/57wm33du>



Mark Your Calendar for **MCASI**! Please make note of the following schedule and avoid booking appointments that would take your child away from school on these dates!

6th Grade: ELA March 30-31, Math May 11-12

7th Grade: ELA April 1-2, Math May 13-14

8th Grade: ELA April 6-7, **SciTech May 4-5 (change!)**, Math May 18-19, Civics May 27-28

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### **Clubs & Seminars!**

**Garden Architects:** We will begin working on garden pathways and pollinators on Monday, March 23 from 3-4:15. Plan on lots of fun and activity. The Garden Architects will meet on Mondays after school until the project is completed. Parents can email Dr. Smith ([msmith@cclcs.info](mailto:msmith@cclcs.info)) to sign up students.

**Model UN Club!** No Model UN this week due to half day.

**ART SPARK:** Art Spark will return in the Spring with all new class offerings for session 2!

**Homework Club:** Homework Club is open to all grades and meets on Mondays after school from 3:00-4:00.

**Rainbow Alliance:** There will be no Rainbow Alliance again this week. Can't wait to see you all next week! Any new members are welcome to join us.

**Lego Club:** Lego Club this week is Tuesday at lunch!

**Roots and Shoots:** Will meet Thursday after school.

### **Music!**

**MUSIC:** No Chorus, Contemporary Music Ensemble, or Musical Theater Show Choir this week due to ANNIE JR Tech Week! We will return to normal the following week.

**STRINGS!** Looking forward to another week together. The schedule will be: WED. March 18th at 7:45, Olive. FRI. March 20th at 7:45 will be ensemble for all. Please try REALLY hard to be there on time with instruments and music! First period sectional will be for Alexa, and second period sectional will be for Aurora and Anna. See you all very soon! Mrs. Schultze

### **Sports!**

Baseball & Tennis Families, please check your emails and sign up for the SportsYou App!

#### **Sports This Week (3/16 - 3/20)**

**BASEBALL** Thu - Practice at CCLCS 3:30 - 5:00

**TENNIS** Court Cleanup Saturday - Check your email for info

**GOLF** Not yet...

**WINTER TRACK** Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thurs - Practice 3:15 - 4:30

#### **Sports Next Week (3/23 - 3/27)**

**BASEBALL** Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thu - Practice 3:30 - 5:00


**TENNIS** Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thu - No Practice (Rain date if necessary)

**GOLF** Tue - Practice (Captain's Driving Range), Fri - Practice (Captain's Driving Range) 3:30 - 5:00

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### **6th Grade**


**Week at a Glance:** <https://tinyurl.com/2s42chhp>

 **6th Grade Art** Sixth grade artists recently connected their artwork to the novel *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, which they have been reading in ELA. Students explored the story's major themes and incorporated meaningful **Chinese symbols** into their drawings to help tell a visual story.

To bring their ideas to life, students experimented with **black watercolor washes and India ink**, using both brushes and dip pens. Through this process, they practiced a variety of **mark-making techniques**, discovering how different lines, textures, and values can add depth and meaning to their artwork.

## **7th Grade**

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

 **7th Grade Art** Seventh graders are diving into the world of **Ancient Greece!** While studying Greece in Social Studies and reading *Black Ships Before Troy* in ELA, students are bringing mythology into the art room by designing their own **Greek vases** inspired by the gods and stories from the epic tale of the *Trojan War*.


To prepare, students read the *Scholastic Art Magazine* article “**Greek Vase Painting: Working with Shape.**” They began by sketching their designs and learning how traditional Greek pottery tells stories through images. Last Friday, students practiced important clay techniques such as **coil building and forming different types of bases**. This week they will finalize their designs and begin building their **terracotta clay vases**.

## **8th Grade**

**Week at a Glance:** <https://tinyurl.com/mu6bkuhj>

**Save the Date!** With our recent snow days, the 8th grade end of year trip will now be SUNDAY, June 14-Thursday, June 18th. More information, including registration, to be released soon!

**Science:** Grade 8 wave test corrections are due by Wednesday, March 18.

 **8th Grade Art:** Eighth grade artists have been exploring creativity through a series of **sketchbook assignments** inspired by their February break experiences and the recent winter blizzard. After experimenting with several ideas, students are choosing the drawing they feel most strongly about and developing it into a **larger visual story**.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Wednesday, March 18th: Half Day
- March 20-21st: Annie Jr at the 204! 7pm shows Fri & Sat
- Saturday, March 28th: CCLCS Annual Auction at Wequassett Resort
- April 10th: 7th Grade Trip to Boston
- April 20-24th: April Vacation
- June 14-18: 8th Grade Trip
- June 24: 8th Grade Graduation
- June 25: Last School Day