



Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School

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Notes to Home: October 27, 2025

Greetings CCLCS Families,

There's a strong argument to make for schools trying to be more like summer camps, where children can learn through play, find challenges in the unfamiliar, and experience nature in all of its splendor (and vicissitudes)! I'm in Sandwich today with the 6th graders, taking advantage of all that the YMCA's Camp Burgess has to offer. The students are being led through a series of team building activities and challenges and, thus far, embracing all of them. ELA, Math, Social Studies, Science, and the Arts have all been integrated into this morning's activities in a seamless, interdisciplinary way. I'm so grateful that CCLCS values these types of experiential opportunities for our students, and I can't wait to bring these elements of summer camp back to campus tomorrow!

Warm regards,

Ben



Halloween is Friday!

Costumes (that are not a distraction to students or their peers) are welcome on Friday!

Candy is **NOT** permitted, especially any candy that has NUTS! **No candy & no nuts!** Thank you in advance!! We have severe allergies in the building and the safety of our students is the number one priority! **THANK YOU** to all guardians and staff who volunteered at the dance Friday night!!

SEPAC Meeting. The CCLCS Special

Education Parent Advisory Council will meet via Zoom on **Tuesday, October 28th at 6 PM** for Parents' Rights in Special Education. All are welcome to attend! We continue to look for parents and guardians who are interested in helping with the SEPAC! For more information, please contact Jennifer Hyora, Director of Student Services, at jhyora@cclcs.info . Zoom link:

<https://tinyurl.com/5j9kz32y>

CCLCS Staff Shout Out! Join 7th grade ELA teacher and author Susanna Graham-Pye for an important discussion at the Brewster Ladies Library on Tuesday, Oct. 28th!

<https://tinyurl.com/bdz3mys6>

November 4th is **picture retake day**. If you were unhappy with the original picture, please return them with your student on retake day - preferably with feedback. They will be retaken and new pictures mailed out. If your student missed the first picture day they will also have their picture taken on 11/4.

We still need boxes of **tissues**!! If you're out shopping and can pick a few boxes up it would be appreciated!

We are excited to host a **Read-A-Thon at Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School**. November 3rd to December 5th

At Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School, our priority is to make sure that our students have the tools they need to learn and grow. We can't do that without your support. This year we are hoping for 100% participation from our families.

Donors Encourage Students. Students Read.
Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School Raises Funds to support the purchase of more books and literacy events at the school

Let's make this our best fundraiser ever! Stay tuned... a flyer to help your students sign up will be coming home this week.



Clubs & Seminars!

Lego Club: Come build with us! Lego Club starts tomorrow during lunch and recess in the 6th Grade Learning Lab. Students may sign up on the clipboard outside the office. Plan to bring your lunch, your imagination, team up with friends, and show off your best ideas — one brick at a time. For questions, please email Ms. Barnhardt at mbarnhardt@cclcs.info

ART SPARK: ART SPARK sign ups will be emailed home tomorrow! Art Spark is an after school art club that is held on Wednesdays from 3-4:45pm. Students will sign up to take one of two or three class offerings in a variety of art mediums. Space is limited, and we often have a waiting list, so please do your best to sign up quickly when the form is sent home tomorrow. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Anziano (eanziano@cclcs.info)

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. Please pick up promptly at 4:00 PM.

Rainbow Alliance: Rainbow Alliance: The Rainbow Alliance meets on Tuesdays during lunch and recess. 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! Model UN - Model UN will meet this week on Wednesday, October. 29th, from 3:15PM-4PM. See you there!

Roots and Shoots: As fall sports begin to wind down, students may want to think about joining us on Thursdays for Roots & Shoots. The organization was developed by the late Dr. Jane Goodall and grew out of her belief that young people are powerful agents for change in our communities. In interviews prior to her death, Dr. Jane said Roots & Shoots and what students around the world are doing every day was one of the ways she knew her work trying to make the world a better place would live on.

Students are currently working on a mural in memory of Dr. Jane. The club is also collecting data and mounting a campaign to improve the school community's recycling and reducing waste habits. Building birdhouses with seniors and selling them (birdhouses not the seniors!) to raise money for local animal shelters is on deck for upcoming projects.

Roots & Shoots has a long and rich tradition at CCLCS! Join us! We meet on Thursday afternoons from the close of school to 4. PLEASE NOTE: This week's meeting has been extended to 4:30. Ms. Johnson is going to help us get painting underway on the memorial mural for Dr. Jane. Here is a link to a recent article about Dr. Jane's visit to CCLCS:

<https://tinyurl.com/3e54yh39>

Music !

There will be **Band** lessons for band instruments during the day on Tuesday. Students who were invited to the before school band should continue to join us on Tuesdays 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 is as follows: WED. October 29th at 7:45 is violin for Olive and Ariana in the Spanish classroom. FRI. October 31st at 7:45 is ensemble for ALL. First period sectional is for Alexa in Mrs. Wilkinson's room and second period sectional is for Kiana and Rory in the Spanish classroom. 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 keyboardists will meet 6th period on Thursday.

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

Sports!

Congratulations to our **Field Hockey Team** for a great season. Please send in your washed uniform ASAP.

We are looking for drivers Tuesday (Cross Country & Boys Soccer), and Wednesday (Boys Soccer) to Cape Cod Academy - leave at 2:15. Please reach out to Mr. Crash if you can help!

Sports This week (10/27 - 10/31)

BOYS SOCCER Mon - Practice 3:30 - 5:00, Tue -GAME (Super 6 Semi-Finals) 3:30 at Cape Cod Acad, Wed - GAME? (Super 6 Finals) 3:30 at Cape Cod Acad, SEASON OVER

GIRLS SOCCER Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue -GAME (Super 6 Semi-Finals) at CCLCS, Thurs - GAME? (Super 6 Finals) TBD, SEASON OVER

FIELD HOCKEY SEASON OVER

CROSS COUNTRY Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue - Super 6 Championships at Cape Cod Acad 3:30pm, Wed - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Thurs - Practice 3:15 - 4:30

Sports Next week (11/2 - 11/7)

BOYS SOCCER SEASON OVER

GIRLS SOCCER SEASON OVER

FIELD HOCKEY SEASON OVER

CROSS COUNTRY Mon - Practice 3:15 - 4:30, Tue - All Cape Championships at Nauset MS 3:30pm, SEASON OVER

6th Grade

Week at a Glance: <https://tinyurl.com/49tmm2s4>

6th grade is currently enjoying an extended day at **Camp Burgess!!** 7pm pick up at Camp Burgess or 7:30pm pick up at CCLCS.



Art: Sixth graders are finishing their figure drawing project, using colored pencils to explore warm, cool, or complementary color palettes. Once completed, they'll return to their clay creatures from the beginning of the year to add glaze — always an exciting step!

7th Grade

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

Art: Seventh graders have spent the past few weeks drawing from observation, focusing on detailed studies of their own eyes in pencil and charcoal. They've now expanded these drawings into Surrealist artworks, transforming one eye into something imaginative and unexpected. Themes range from sports and animals to landscapes, resulting in dramatic black-and-white charcoal pieces.

Spanish: Students are finalizing the finishing touches on their Shoebox Ofrendas (at home). These are due this Friday, October 31st.

Beginning this week through next week, we will be preparing for our Unit 1 Exam that will be given in two parts. Part 1 will be on Wednesday, 11/5, and Part 2 on Thursday, 11/6.

Their notebooks will serve as their study guide, but additional study materials will be posted to the Google Classroom should your students need/want them.

8th Grade

Week at a Glance: <https://tinyurl.com/ynrr6vwt>

French: Today is Cheesy 🧀 Video Day! Beginning Calendar/Birthday 🎂 Unit: days of the week, months of the year, birthdays, starting mini-project Class Calendar including classmates' birthdays due lundi le 3 nov

Art: Eighth graders are wrapping up their political poster project. After choosing a topic from a curated list of themes and planning their designs in sketchbooks, students are now bringing their ideas to life through scratch art. They're exploring expressive line-making techniques to create bold, thoughtful visual messages.

ELA: Eighth grade students will have their "mini Poe-jects" on display at several Cape Cod libraries this weekend! Their Poe scenes will be in the Young Adult section of the following libraries from the afternoon of 10/29 through 11/3: Eastham, Brooks (Harwich), Eldredge (Chatham), Brewster Ladies, Dennis, Centerville, and Sandwich!

Science: Test this Thursday, 10/30/25 on chapters 1-4 Periodic Table of the Elements

High School Showcase: The annual High School Showcase for 8th graders will take place at CCLCS on Wednesday, November 12, at 6pm. Even if your child thinks they know where they'll attend high school, this is a great opportunity to talk to representatives from local high schools to consider your stellar options in the area! Questions can be directed to Crsims@cclcs.info



St. John Paul II School
Your Future Starts HERE!

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 29
GRADES 5-8 | 5:00-6:30 P.M.
33 CROSS STREET
GRADES 9-12 | 6:00-7:30
120 HIGH SCHOOL ROAD

REGISTER NOW >

www.stjohnpaul.org



Falmouth Academy

FALMOUTH ACADEMY

Open House
Saturday, Nov. 1
1:00-3:00 p.m.

*Where students not only
fit in, but stand out.*

Upcoming Events

- Friday, October 31st: Halloween. Regular school day, NO CANDY or NUTS
- Tuesday, November 4th: Picture Retake Day
- 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 (6pm)
- Tuesday, November 25th: Half Day
- Wednesday, November 26th- Friday, November 28th: No School (Thanksgiving).

Community Notes



Winter Coat DRIVE

Help keep a child warm this winter!
Please make your donation.
Every coat makes a difference!

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.

Community Partners:
Cradles to Crayons
HYCC
Advocates
Family Resource Centers
People of Action



Harwich Community Center
Teen Clothing Swap
Grades 5-12

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
or email Reagan at:
reagan.wilda@harwich-ma.gov



FOOD PANTRY & DIAPER DEPOT

NOW OPEN WITH NEW HOURS:

MONDAY 8 AM - 6 PM
WEDNESDAY 8 AM - 5 PM
FRIDAY 9 AM - 4 PM
THE 4TH SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 9 AM-12 PM

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DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS & DEPÓSITO DE FRALDAS

AGORA ABERTO COM NOVO HORÁRIO:

SEGUNDA-FEIRA, DAS 8H ÀS 18H
QUARTA-FEIRA, DAS 8H ÀS 17H
SEXTA-FEIRA, DAS 9H ÀS 16H
4º SÁBADO DE CADA MÊS, DAS 9H ÀS 12H

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