

HOT CIDER

CIDER MILL PTA PUBLICATION - May 20, 2018

Cider Mill School is a Community of Learners, ALL committed to being the best we can be.

Important Dates

May 21	Day 4
May 22	5th Grade Chorus/Orchestra/Advanced Strings/CM Singers Performance, Gym, 7-8pm
May 24	3rd Grade Strings Combined Performance, Gym, 7-8pm
May 28	NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day)
May 30	Hive Huddle
Jun 4-8	Spring Book Fair
Jun 4	CM Incoming 3rd Graders Parent Orientation, Cafeteria, 7-8pm
Jun 5	“Your Child’s Cyberlife” Last session, Middlebrook, 9-10:30am & 7-8:30pm
Jun 6	Band Introduction for 4th Grade Parents, Gym, 7-8pm
Jun 7	3rd Grade Field Day (<i>revised</i> -rain date June 11th)
Jun 12	4th Grade Field Day (rain date June 13th)
Jun 13	5th Grade Invention Convention, Gym, Belden Hill/Kent 9-10am, Cannondale & Nod Hill 1-2pm
Jun 14	5th Grade Field Day (rain date June 15th)
Jun 15	Nod Hill 3rd Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 12:45-2pm
Jun 15	Kent 3rd Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 1-2pm
Jun 18	Cannondale 5th Grade Celebrations, Gym, 8-9am
Jun 18	Mrs. Cirillo & Ms. Skroubelos Closing House, Library Learning Commons, 8-9am
Jun 18	Ms. Corti & Mr. Gallo Closing House, Classrooms, 8-9am
Jun 18	Belden Hill 5th Grade Celebrations, Gym, 9-10am
Jun 18	Cannondale 5th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 9-10am
Jun 19	Belden Hill 3rd Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 1-2pm
Jun 19	Cannondale 4th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 1-2pm
Jun 20	Nod Hill 5th Grade Celebrations, Gym, 8-9am
Jun 20	Kent 5th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 8:15-8:50am
Jun 20	Kent House 5th Grade Celebrations, Gym, 9-10am
Jun 20	Nod Hill 5th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 9-10am
Jun 20	Belden Hill 4th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 10:45-11:40am
Jun 21	Nod Hill 4th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 8-9am
Jun 22	Kent 4th Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 10:30-11:30am
Jun 22	Cannondale 3rd Grade Closing House, Classrooms, 12:45-1:45pm
Jun 25	SHORTENED DAY, Dismissal at 11:55am
Jun 26	SHORTENED DAY, Dismissal at 11:55am
Jun 27	SHORTENED DAY, Dismissal at 11:55am

Important Phone Numbers

Cider Mill Main Office: 203-762-3351

Report an Absence: 203-834-4950 or fallonk@wiltonps.org

Bus Transportation: 203-762-3381

Chartwells: 203-834-4990 x5221

From The PTA Presidents

Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Teacher Appreciation Week was a huge success. The Health and Wellness Day, bagged lunches, and lunch/treat day were all well attended and greatly appreciated. May thanks to our Hospitality volunteers for taking on the mammoth task and running this week smoothly.

The school Art Show on May 14th showcased all the students’ wonderful work. It was amazing to see all their skill and creativity. The art teachers did a fantastic job displaying every piece of work; and finally a huge thanks to all the art parents, who volunteered for endless hours of stapling and helping display the work.

Our Spring Book Fair is coming up soon - June 4th - 8th. Please make sure to check it out and buy those books for summer reading!

Field Days are also quickly approaching, if you haven't volunteered yet please sign up soon. It's a fun day to spend around the kids and cheer on your class in tug of war! Spiritwear T-shirts will be for sale in the cafeteria soon, or from our website: cidermillpta.org Don't forget to get yours before Field Day!

Now is also the time to buy supplies for next year. It's the easiest way to make sure you have everything and we'll deliver them to your classroom for Meet The Teacher day. <https://www.edukitinc.com/page.asp?id=15&schoolid=1717>.

There are no more PTA meetings scheduled for this school year, but please consider volunteering next year. We are on the look out for many positions (mentioned below in this newsletter) but especially a new Secretary. This is an Executive Board position, no experience necessary! We'd love to get some new faces on board and will walk you through the whole way. Please send me a message if you are interested and would like more information amanda_patania@yahoo.com.

Thank you for everything you do.

Amanda Patania & Annemarie Aronowitz

School News

Lost and Found will be cleaned out on Friday, June 18 with all items going to The Turnover Shop.

2018-2019 School Supplies

Get a jumpstart on ordering school supply kits for next year! Kits can be purchased at <https://www.edukitinc.com/page.asp?id=15&schoolid=1717> All kits are delivered directly to the school and will be on your child's desk at Meet the Teacher Day! Also, consider making a donation to purchase kits for families in need. Donations can be made online when ordering kits!! If you choose to purchase supplies on your own, supply lists can be found at www.cidermillpta.org.

Spring Book Fair

The Spring Cider Mill Book Fair is Coming:

Tuesday 6/5	8am - 3pm
Wednesday 6/6	8am - 3pm
Thursday 6/7	8am- 3pm
Friday 6/8	8am- 2pm

Get a head start on summer reading and stock up on popular titles. If you can't make the sale, feel free to send in money with your child as all classes will be attending the sale during these times. We can't run the fair without the generous time of our volunteers, click here to sign-up! <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2327107/false#/invitation>

Cider Mill PTA

It is never too late to become a volunteer for [the Cider Mill PTA](#). We have a position that can work with your schedule. The PTA is a great way to get to know people in the community and the school. Here is a list of the open positions for next year-

Secretary (Executive Board Position)

Nominations

Book Fair

Hospitality

Laminating

4th grade fun night

4th grade field day co-chair

5th grade yearbook co-chair

And maybe you have a younger child coming into Cider Mill next year and want to consider these 3rd grade PTA spots:

3rd grade field day

3rd grade fun night

Please contact Tara Snow at tanda@optonline.net if you are interested.

** please note these are for chair roles, you will receive a general volunteering form at a later time **

We will miss you!

The end of School year is approaching and our district is already preparing for the coming School year. If you are planning on leaving the Wilton School district please email our School Secretary Debbie Cowic at cowicd@wiltonps.org by the end of June.

“Your Child’s Cyberlife” Last session- 6/5, Middlebrook 9-10:30am & 7-8.30pm

Parent workshops opened to Middlebrook and Cider Mill parents started on March 1st and this is the last session of the three. This session will focus on Summer Learning and will include information on what is being done in school to ensure students use technology responsibly and can be supported by parents at home. Guest speakers include Michael Swaine (National Regional Manager, Gaggle Safety Monitoring), Fran Kompar (Director, Digital Learning) and participants from our Library Learning Commons Team as well as our Principals from each school - Lauren Feltz, Middlebrook and Jen Mitchell, Cider Mill.

Stop and Shop Rewards Program

CIDER MILL SCHOOL – (ID#: 40341) has the opportunity to participate and earn CASH from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through our local Stop & Shop!

To participate:

- Visit <http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus> and scroll down to the center of the page to select REGISTER YOUR CARD from the red box on the right marked FOR CUSTOMERS

To earn points:

- Use your registered Stop & Shop Card each time you shop at Stop & Shop, and you will earn CASH for our school. You can track the number of points you are earning for our school by checking your grocery receipt.
- At the end of each month, your points are calculated and converted to CASH rewards for our school. These CASH rewards are updated monthly on the Giant A+ website beginning in November.
- After the last day of the 2018 program, these same conversions are performed and the final school account total is posted.
- Our school will receive one CASH awards check at the end of the program and can use this cash for any of our educational needs.

Ongoing School News

Join The PTA

Please join the Cider Mill PTA! Over 300 families and teachers have joined the PTA so far this year. Thank you for your support! And, while we would love for you to get involved, you do not have to volunteer! Your membership and donation dollars fund valuable programs at Cider Mill, including: Visiting Author, 5th Grade Year Book, Field Days, Student Enrichment Programs, Fun Nights, Teacher & Staff Appreciation, Gifts and Grants, Hospitality, Book Fair, Reflections, and many more.

PLUS, when you join the PTA, you gain instant access to our online directory!

Visit <https://mobilearq.com/schooldirectory/>, choose parent or teacher registration, enter your email, name and the code “wilton” to join, pay your membership dues and make a supporting donation, if you’re feeling generous! (Please add support@mobilearq.com to your address book to ensure delivery of the confirmation email with temporary auto-login link).

Find Us on Facebook!

The PTA has a group on Facebook called Cider Mill Parent Community. It is a place where the PTA can communicate to parents, and also where parents can communicate with one another. Please check it out by clicking here: [Cider Mill Parent Community](#)

Lost and Found ~ Bus Depot

Please visit <http://wiltonslostproperty.blogspot.com/> to view lost property found on the school buses.

Lost and Found ~ Cider Mill

There are two L&F locations in Cider Mill. One is at the doorway where you go to the playground, on the high school side (Cannondale). The other is by the front door on the far side of the bus loop (Kent). You or your child can check these locations for lost items. At the end of each season, the unclaimed items are donated to the Turnover Shop with proceeds going to the Cider Mill PTA. Contact Amanda Mitchell with questions, at amandaNmitchell@gmail.com.

Community News

Wilton Relay for Life, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, ~ June 8th, 4-11pm

This is a huge community fundraising event that raises money to help fight cancer through funding research and support services in local communities. Funds help support rides to treatment centers, lodging for family members near treatment centers, counselors to speak with patients and family members.

The relay event at the Wilton High School track, Friday June 8th from 4-11 PM, is a combination of walk-a-thon, carnival, fundraiser, concert, and memorial. It really is the culmination of weeks and months of fundraising done by individuals who often form a "team". A team is simply a group of friends/family/coworkers who decide to come up with a team name, register on the Wilton Relay for Life site. These team members work together to raise funds in the weeks leading up to the relay, get a tent site around the track, and plan their relay evening together.

We would also love to have interested parents and family members help us with our committee work. If you think you can lend a hand with our committee please contact Grace Scinto at Grace.Scinto@cancer.org.

More information regarding our event can be found online at

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?fr_id=87938&pg=entry or by searching "Wilton Relay for Life".

Wilton Youth Council

Wilton Youth Council promotes and protects the social, emotional and mental well-being of Wilton's students by educating and empowering youth, parents and the community. Find us on FB or visit wiltonyouth.org for more information and to sign up for our monthly newsletter.

Monday, May 21st 7pm at Middlebrook

Free screening of Angst <https://angstmovie.com>

Angst is a 56-minute film and virtual reality experience that explores anxiety its causes, effects and what we can do about it. The filmmakers' goal is to have a global conversation and raise awareness around anxiety. Angst features candid interviews with kids and young adults who suffer, or have suffered, from anxiety and what they've learned about it. The film includes discussions with mental health experts about the causes of anxiety and its sociological effects, as well as help, resources and tools.

Screening will be followed by a discussion and Q&A with noted psychiatrist Aaron Krasner, M.D.

“Wilton’s Big Block Party Weekend”- Building community one block at a time!

The town-wide 2018 weekends are **June 9-10th** and **September 15-16th**, with each neighborhood choosing their own date and time.

In an effort to strengthen neighborhood connections, Wilton Youth Council’s Free Play Task Force is encouraging participation in “Wilton’s Big Block Party Weekend.”

Top Reasons to have a Block Party

1. Meet and get to know your neighbors
2. Increase a sense of belonging in the community
3. Get outside, make friends and have fun - no excuses are needed to celebrate
4. Find neighborhood playmates for your children
5. Opportunity for face-to-face connection and conversation
6. Meet some of the long standing neighbors and learn about your community history
7. Decrease stress of snow days, storms and emergency situations
8. Create a neighborhood contact list

Feel Inspired? Be a Block Party Captain! For more information or with questions, please email wiltonsbigblockpartyweekend@gmail.com

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