

**Hot Cider**  
**A Cider Mill PTA Publication**

**June 4, 2017**

**Important Dates**

June 5	Day 5
Ongoing	Order School Supply Kits (Deadline June 30)
June 5	Fourth Grade Field Day (Rain Date June 6)
June 6-9	Spring Book Fair, South Gym
June 7	Fourth Grade Parent Orientation for Fifth Grade Band Information Night, 7-8pm, Gym
June 8	Fifth Grade Field Day (Rain Date June 9)
June 8	Board of Education Meeting, 7pm, WHS Professional Library
June 8	Third Grade Strings Combined, All Houses, 7-8pm, Gym
June 9	Nod Hill Fourth Grade Closing House, 8-9am
June 13	Cannondale Fourth Grade Closing House, 1-2pm
June 13	Fifth Grade Field Trip to Adventure Park at Discovery Museum
June 14	Nod Hill Third Grade Closing House, 12:15-2:15pm
June 14	Belden Hill Fourth Grade Closing House, 1-2pm
June 14	Fifth Grade Field Trip to Adventure Park at Discovery Museum
June 15	PTA Meeting, 9:15am, Cafeteria
June 15	Kent Fourth Grade Closing House, 1-2pm
June 15	Fifth Grade Field Trip to Adventure Park at Discovery Museum
June 16	Kent Third Grade Closing House, 12:45-2pm
June 16	Belden Hill Third Grade Closing House, 1-2pm
June 19	Nod Hill Fifth Grade Celebrations, 8:30-10:30am
June 19	Kent Fifth Grade Celebrations, 12-2pm
June 20	Cannondale Fifth Grade Celebrations, 8:30-10:30am
June 20	Belden Hill Fifth Grade Celebrations, 12-2pm
June 21	Cannondale Third Grade Closing House and Living Museum, 10:45-11:45am
June 21	SHORTENED DAY, Dismissal at 11:55am
June 21	Board of Education Meeting, 7pm, WHS Professional Library
June 22	SHORTENED DAY, Dismissal at 11:55am
June 23	LAST OF DAY OF SCHOOL, 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](mailto:fallonk@wiltonps.org)  
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### Message from the President

#### Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,

Tuesday marks the start of our Summer Book Fair, we hope that you will drop by and pick up a great book or two to keep your students reading during the summer - see full details below. Whilst visiting school, don't forget to check out our overflowing lost property areas. Thank you to Amanda Mitchell for organizing all the orphaned items this year. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for 3rd Grade Field Day, like all our PTA sponsored events, they run because volunteers give their time to make them happen. We still could do with extra help for 4th and 5th Grade Field Days (see below).

If you have a budding artist at home, make sure they submit an entry to our Walkathon T-shirt design contest which is running for the next two weeks. Details are available at the art teachers' classrooms. The PTA is looking for a VP of Fundraising to take on coordination of the Walkathon next year. Please get in touch to find out more.

Here's hoping summer finally arrives this week!

Sincerely,

Nicola Davies, PTA President

### School News

#### End of Year Field Days, Monday, June 5 (Fourth Grade) and Thursday, June 8 (Fifth Grade), Wilton High School Stadium

Field Days are here! Volunteers are still needed! Please consider helping out as the success of Field Day is always dependent on parent volunteers. Room reps have sent out details, please contact yours to sign up. This is such a fun way to end the year for our students - getting outside, running, jumping and playing, and celebrating all their hard work this year. Hope to see you there! *Rain Dates:* Fourth Grade - June 6, Fifth Grade - June 9.

#### Spring Book Fair! Tuesday – Friday, June 6-9, 7am – 3pm, Upper Gym

The Cider Mill PTA is happy to announce that it will be holding its 2nd Annual Spring Book Fair. Come and find your favorite titles for some fun summer reading! This event will be held in the Upper Gym on the following days: Tuesday June 6, 7 a.m.- 3 p.m.; Wednesday June 7, 7 a.m.- 3 p.m.; Thursday June 8, 7 a.m.- 3 p.m. & Friday June 9, 7a.m.-2 p.m. (with a set-up day of Monday June 5). Please visit [Summer Reading Book Fair at Cider Mill School](#) to volunteer to help with this event. Please contact Amy Palma at [amypalma@gmail.com](mailto:amypalma@gmail.com), Annemarie Aronowitz at [annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com](mailto:annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com) or Brooke Kalter at [brookekalter@gmail.com](mailto:brookekalter@gmail.com) with any questions. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

#### PTA Meeting, Thursday, June 15, 9:15am, Cafeteria

At the May PTA meeting, a bylaw amendment was proposed to enable the Cider Mill PTA to elect Co-Presidents. There were also two further amendments to the composition of the Board of Directors and to the quorum to reflect the reality of how the PTA works. Bylaw amendments need to be presented at a PTA meeting 30 days before being voted on, hence the need for one more meeting. All the amendments can be viewed on our PTA website - [cidermillpta.org](http://cidermillpta.org) - in "About Us/ Cider Mill Bylaws" - or by following this [link](#). June is a busy time and so the meeting will be as brief as possible.

### **Join the Cider Mill PTA Board in 2017-2018**

Below is a list of open positions for next year's Cider Mill PTA. Many fun and special positions are available and we are looking for volunteers. The PTA is a great way to get involved with the school and with other parents. Many of these programs will not happen if we are not able to find a volunteer. There are opportunities for everyone, no matter how much time you can volunteer. You can find descriptions of many of the roles at <http://www.cidermillpta.org/committee-descriptions>.

1. Vice President of Fundraising
2. Book Fair
3. 3rd Grade Fun Night
4. 3rd Grade Great Books
5. 4th Grade Great Books
6. 5th Grade Great Books
7. 5th Grade River Study
8. 5th Grade Field Day

If you have questions about any of the roles, please contact Tara Snow at [tanda@optonline.net](mailto:tanda@optonline.net) or at 203-563-0866.

### **Volunteer for Next Year!**

In addition to PTA positions, we are also in need of parents to volunteer in other areas for next school year! Could you help in the library, the school store, at the Turnover store in town? Do you want to be a classroom PTA representative or a Walkathon chaperone? Register online right [here](#). There is no paper form this year.

### **2017-2018 School Supply Kits on Sale Now!!**

Order Cider Mill School Supplies Now to be Ready in the Fall! Orders are ONLY accepted online. Order by June 30th for Best Pricing and Free Shipping! To order your kits online, please follow these simple steps:

1. Go to our school page <https://www.edukitinc.com/page.asp?id=15&schoolid=1717>
2. Choose the appropriate grade level kit - REMEMBER TO CHOOSE THE GRADE YOUR CHILD WILL BE ENTERING IN THE FALL!

### 3. Submit your order

THAT'S IT! SUPER EASY, SUPER CONVENIENT! Your child's kit will be delivered to the classroom just in time for Meet the Teacher Day.

\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* Be sure to keep your receipt as proof of purchase. Check your SPAM folder. Questions? Contact Jackie Couch at [jackie.couch13@gmail.com](mailto:jackie.couch13@gmail.com). New this year! Cider Mill PTA is expanding our school supply donation program within Wilton, and surrounding communities. We have partnered with Wilton Social Services and local organizations in Bridgeport and Norwalk. Please consider making a donation towards providing school supplies to students in need. The PTA will work directly with Wilton Social Services and local community organizations in Norwalk and Bridgeport to select, purchase and distribute the much needed items. Donations can be made when purchasing your kits online. Thank you for your support!

### Ongoing Cider Mill News

#### Buy Name Labels at Mabel's Labels

Last year, over 300 sweatshirts, 100 winter hats, 50 pairs of gloves, 50 lunch boxes, and 10 winter jackets were left in our Lost Property areas at school. The overwhelming majority had no owner information marked in them. To raise funds and reduce this immense amount of loss, we have teamed up with Mabel's Labels to run a fundraiser. Mabel's Labels adhere to your child's clothing and will not come off in the wash. You will get your missing property back and Cider Mill will earn money! Please visit [www.mabelslabels.com](http://www.mabelslabels.com). Click on 'Support a Fundraiser.' We are listed as Cider Mill School (Wilton). Cider Mill will receive a 20% donation based on the cost of your order. Thank you!

#### Find Us on Facebook!

The PTA has set up 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

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 [amandaNmittchell@gmail.com](mailto:amandaNmittchell@gmail.com).

#### School Spiritwear

Show your school spirit! Please visit the Cider Mill PTA website at [www.cidermillpta.org](http://www.cidermillpta.org) to order your school clothing. Students are encouraged to wear their Spiritwear clothing for

various days and events during the year. Proceeds benefit the Cider Mill PTA. Please contact Annemarie Aronowitz at [annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com](mailto:annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com) or Amanda Mitchell at [amandanmitchell@gmail.com](mailto:amandanmitchell@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Community News**

#### **Party for 5th Graders at Trackside, Friday, June 9, 7-9pm, 15 Station Road, Wilton**

Fifth grade students are invited to the Trackside Welcome Party on Friday June 9th from 7-9pm. Party with our DJ Station and dance floor, play indoor games and video games, enjoy free candy and treats or order snacks from the Snackside Cafe! Admission is \$10 at the door or \$8 online: Visit [Trackside.org](http://Trackside.org) for more information.

### **Submit News to Hot Cider**

Please email school news to Andrea Bates at [connbates@gmail.com](mailto:connbates@gmail.com), Clarissa Cannavino at [clarissacannavino@yahoo.com](mailto:clarissacannavino@yahoo.com), Nicola Davies at [nicoladavies@outlook.com](mailto:nicoladavies@outlook.com), Amanda Patania at [Amanda\\_patania@yahoo.com](mailto:Amanda_patania@yahoo.com), and Annemarie Aronowitz at [annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com](mailto:annemariearonowitz@yahoo.com). For past issues, please click this link: <http://www.cidermillpta.org/#!/hotcider/ccjp>. Content may be edited at the discretion of the Hot Cider staff. The next – and LAST - issue of Hot Cider will be published June 18, 2017. The deadline for submissions is June 13, 2017.