

HOT CIDER

CIDER MILL PTA PUBLICATION – May 5, 2019

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

Important Dates

May 5	Day 8
May 6	Cider Mill Art Show 6-8pm
May 7	Annual Town Meeting
May 14	CM PTA Meeting, Cafeteria, 9:15-10:15am
May 14	4th Grade Chorus & Orchestra North (Nod Hill/Cannondale), Gym, 7-8pm
May 16	4th Grade Chorus & Orchestra South (Kent/Belden Hill), Gym, 7-8pm
May 20	Incoming 3rd Graders Parent Orientation, 7-8pm
May 21	5th grade Band Concert, Gym, 7-8pm
May 23	5th Grade Chorus/Cider Mill Singers/Orchestra/Advanced Strings, Gym, 7-8pm
May 27	NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day)
May 30	3rd Grade Strings Concert All Houses, Gym, 7-8pm
May 31	Nod Hill 3rd Grade Closing House, 1:15pm
Jun 3	3rd Grade Field Day
Jun 3-7	CM Spring Book Fair, South Gym
Jun 4	4th Grade Field Day
Jun 5	5th Grade Field Day
Jun 6	Nod Hill 4th Grade Closing House, 8am
Jun 6	Kent 3rd Grade Closing House, 11:30am
Jun 7	Kent 4th Grade Closing House, 10:45am
Jun 10	Belden Hill 3rd Grade Closing House, 1:15pm
Jun 10	Cannondale 4th Grade Closing House, 1:15pm
Jun 11	Belden Hill 5th Grade Celebrations, 8-9am
Jun 11	Cannondale 5th Grade Celebrations, 9-10am
Jun 12	Kent 5th Grade Celebrations, 8-9am
Jun 12	Nod Hill 5th Grade Celebrations, 9-10am
Jun 12	Belden Hill 4th Grade Closing House, 10:30am
Jun 13	SHORTENED DAY (Dismissal at 11:55am)
Jun 13	Cannondale 3rd Grade Closing House, 8am
Jun 14	SHORTENED DAY (Dismissal at 11:55am)
Jun 17	LAST 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
Bus Transportation: 203-762-3381
Chartwells: 203-834-4990 x5221

From The PTA Presidents

BUDGET SPOTLIGHT

Annual Town Meeting

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 7:30pm at the Clune Center

Childcare will be available in the HS Field House starting at 7:15pm

(For more information about the meeting and its format, this article is helpful: <https://goodmorningwilton.com/gmws-guide-to-wiltons-may-7-annual-town-meeting-the-budget-municipal-taxes/>)

Dear Cider Mill Parents and Guardians,

Our last PTA meeting for the 2019-2020 school year is coming up on May 14th at 9:15am. It is going to be full of appreciation for our volunteers, voting in the new Executive Board, voting on a gift request for the school and voting on our proposed budget. Please make it a priority to attend this meeting and support what we have done this year and what we are planning for next year.

Our Executive Board STILL needs a Treasurer. If you have any interest in taking on this role please contact Amanda Patania amanda_patania@yahoo.com.

Thank you to our Garden Committee Joanna Lepore, Margo Silvian and Sabeth Albert and all the parent volunteers for helping with planting in our garden during Earth Week. We can't wait to see the plants growing.

Congratulations to all of our CMGT performers and thank you to this year's organizers, Mandy Schumach, Jessica Christ, Susan Price, Jackie Couch and Maureen McGrath for all of your work.

We look forward to seeing you on May 14th at our next meeting.

Carolyn Lyon and Amanda Patania
CM PTA Co-Presidents

School News

Teacher Appreciation Week ~ May 6-10

Bagged Lunch Day: Wednesday, May 8

We are celebrating Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week May 6-10! Wednesday, May 8 is the very popular BAGGED LUNCH DAY and we need your help! We provide the bag and you fill it with a sandwich/salad, chips, fruit, dessert, & drink! We need 160 lunches! Sign up for your choice of sandwich/salad. Your empty bag will come home with your student on May 6. Then, bring your bagged lunch to school on Wednesday May 8. Volunteers will collect them during morning arrival! It's THAT easy! Click the link: <https://signup.com/login/entry/176995818189784016>

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch: Friday, May 10

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10! The Cider Mill PTA's Hospitality Committee is hosting a lunch buffet and treat table for the teachers and staff on Friday, May 10th. We are in need of parent volunteers to contribute a hot or cold dish/dessert/drinks/treats for the teachers and staff. Please click this link to sign up:

<https://signup.com/go/aKAFFVo>

Field Days

Field Days are just around the corner! If you haven't already, mark your calendars as follows:

- June 3rd – 3rd Grade Field Day
- June 4th – 4th Grade Field Day
- June 5th – 5th Grade Field Day

Children should wear their CM Spiritwear T-shirts to their respective Field Day. If you need one, shirts can be ordered via the CM PTA website - <https://www.cidermillpta.org/spiritwear>. Children will also need to bring a water bottle (water bottles should be labeled with child's name).

Volunteers will be needed to support each of the Field Days. Be on the lookout for information on how to sign up.

Wilton United Summer Fun 2019 - Grades 3-5 (children who have completed Grades 3, 4, 5)

Come join us for some summer fun at Miller-Driscoll taught by WPS teachers. Try it out for a week or more. All are welcome to join in the fun!

Location: Miller-Driscoll School

Time: 9:30-12:30, Monday-Thursday

Cost: \$200/week *includes a Summer Fun t-shirt

Use this link to see what programs are being offered: https://docs.google.com/a/wiltonps.org/document/d/1KOPaELhwOhsvdcVWXEhdAESuxQjS-kiZo6nqBOdDil/edit?usp=drive_web

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.

5th Grade Parents – Consider Middlebrook’s Project Adventure Next Year!

Interested in volunteering at Middlebrook next year? Project adventure is one of the few opportunities for parents to volunteer and help students literally reach new heights.

Project Adventure is part of Middlebrook’s physical education curriculum and offers students a chance to climb, swing, and belay on outdoor and indoor rope courses. Adults are needed to belay students and encourage them to face (and crush) rope course challenges. All volunteers are required to complete a belay training course and obtain certification (Rock Climb Fairfield works great). All volunteers must also complete the school required background check.

For more information please contact Renee Rafferty raffertyrenee@gmail.com or Margo Silvian margosilvian@me.com.

Ongoing School News

Join the PTA ~ We Need Your Support!

Join the PTA and gain access to our Mobile Directory! Get instant access when you join – no waiting, easy updates to address or phone number changes throughout the year! Join here, and use the code - 'wilton' https://mobilearq.com/schooldirectory/school_directory_parent_register.html
Parents please update your profiles to include email and cell phone numbers! One easy spot to register for all your kids’ PTAs and make a donation at the same time! Questions? Email our Directory Chair Jennifer Wulff jen@presto.org (Please add support@mobilearq.com to your address book to ensure delivery of the confirmation email with temporary auto-login link.)

Get Your CM Spiritwear

Spirit Wear (also known as House shirts) can be purchased at any time throughout the year on the Cider Mill PTA site: cidermillpta.org , Your order will be delivered to your student's class within two days.

Cider Mill School Store

We are looking for parent volunteers to work in the Cider Mill School Store! The School Store is open during lunch on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If you're interested in helping out, please email CiderMillSchoolStore@gmail.com to get onto our email volunteer list and to find out how to sign up for shifts throughout the school year!

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](#)

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.

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 amandaNmittchell@gmail.com.

Community News

SEPTA ~ Last Meeting of the School Year

SEPTA's last meeting of the school year will be Wednesday, May 15th, from 7-8:30pm at Comstock. See wiltonsepta.org for more details.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Child and Adolescent Network (CAN)

Frustrated by your child's challenging behavior? Do you ever feel like your child is harder to parent than other children? Do you worry about how your child's behavior effects the family? Do you think your child or family needs a therapist, but you don't know where to start? Ever wonder how others manage in similar situations? Are you married, but feel alone in parenting your challenging child? If you say yes to any of these -- YOU ARE NOT ALONE!!

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Child and Adolescent Network (CAN) Support Group is for parents of children with behavioral, emotional and mental health issues. These groups are free, confidential, safe and led by trained and certified volunteer facilitators who themselves have had personal experiences raising children with these concerns.

The Wilton based support group meets on the 4th Monday of every month and the next meeting is on May 20th from 10am-11:30am in the G & B Cultural Center, 49 New Street in Wilton.

For more info, Beth at 203-984-0123, beth44es@gmail.com or Vanessa at 203 970-4130, eliasvanessa5@gmail.com

Wilton Children's Theater Summerstage Registration

Wilton Children's Theater 2019 Summerstage show is ANYTHING GOES! This summer production is open to rising 7th-10th graders, the program runs June 24th- July 12.

Visit our website at <http://www.wiltonchildrenstheater.org/> for information about registration. And be sure to like us on Facebook to keep up to date with all our events!

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