

HOT CIDER
A Cider Mill PTA Publication

September 5, 2017

Important Dates

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| Sept 5 | First Day of School |
| Sept 6 | PTA Room Rep Meeting, 9:15-10:45am, Cafeteria |
| Sept 7 | PTA New Parent Coffee, 9:15-10:45am, Cafeteria |
| Sept 12 | Photo Day |
| Sept 12 | PTA Meeting, 9:15am, Cafeteria |
| Sept 12 | Cannondale and Nod Hill Open House, 7-8:30pm |
| Sept 13 | Belden Hill and Kent Open House, 7-8:30pm |
| Sept 19 | Odyssey of the Mind Parent Meeting, 9:15 -10:45am, Cafeteria (same as evening meeting) |
| Sept 19 | Odyssey of the Mind Parent Meeting, 7-8:30pm, Cafeteria (same as morning meeting) |
| Sept 21 | NO SCHOOL (Rosh Hashanah) |
| Sept 26 | Math and Literacy Meeting, 7-8:30pm, Cafeteria (same as morning meeting) |
| Sept 27 | Math and Literacy Meeting, 9:15-10:45am, Cafeteria (same evening meeting) |
| Oct 5 | CM Walkathon |
| Oct 9-10 | NO SCHOOL (Columbus Day & Professional Development) |
| Oct 17 | PTA Meeting, 9:15am, Cafeteria |
| Oct 17 | PTA Evening Meeting, 7pm, Cafeteria |

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

Note from the PTA Presidents

Welcome to all our Cider Mill families! We are sure this 2017/2018 will be a great one for everyone, especially the children.

The PTA is looking forward to working with all the families to support the school and we encourage you to get your Walkathon pledges returned, buy your child's school photo, purchase Spiritwear and become a member of the PTA.

We would love as many people as possible to attend our first PTA meeting on Sept 12th. We understand that many parents may not be able to attend but would encourage you to send questions or comments via our website www.cidermillpta.org We promise that the time you give to the PTA and the school will be worth your while—and fun!

Thank you in advance for your support and do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions or comments. Have a wonderful school year and we can't wait to meet you.

Amanda Patania and Annemarie Aronowitz

Cider Mill PTA Co-Presidents

[School News](#)

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

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.

Box Tops

Collect box tops to help Cider Mill raise money! Be sure to collect your box tops and submit them to your class teacher. Visit <http://www.boxtops4education.com/> to learn more about the program. Contact Box Top Chair, Heather Mroz at heathermm@optonline.net if you have any questions.

[Community News](#)

NAMI-CAN Support Group ~ Monday Sept. 25th

School is back in session and for many children, so is the academic and social stress that can cause behavioral changes. The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) -CAN (Child Adolescent Network) Support Group for parents of children with behavioral, emotional and mental health issues meets Monday, September 25 from 10-11:30, G&B Cultural Center, 49 New Street, Wilton. The meeting is free, confidential, safe and led by trained volunteer facilitators who themselves have had personal experiences raising children with these concerns. Our meetings are a place to speak freely and be understood without embarrassment or the fear of being judged or treated differently.

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

Wilton Youth Council (WYC)

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.

LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED?

Wilton Youth Council needs you! We have many programs running and this is a great time to get involved! Questions? Email Vanessa Elias at eliasvanessa5@gmail.com. Interested in volunteering? Email Suma Iyer at sumapiyer@gmail.com.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Civility: Teaching Children Respect, Tolerance and Empathy in a Complicated World with Alicia Farrell, PHD, Cognitive Psychologist and Founder of Clearview Consulting

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

10:00-11:30 AM @ Wilton Library, 137 Old Ridgefield Road, Wilton

Registration recommended –opens mid-September

(www.wiltonlibrary.org or 203-762-6334)

7:00-8:30 PM @ Weston Library, 56 Norfield Road, Weston

No registration necessary

Join us for the first presentation in the Wilton Youth Council Parent Information Series 2017-2018. Do you ever feel overwhelmed and confused raising children in this complicated, dynamic world? If so, you have a lot of company. More than ever we are navigating our parental roles without a rudder while still being the most influential force in our children's lives. As a parent, you are POWERFUL. What you do, what you say and how you say it strongly influences your children.

This workshop will empower you to take charge as a parent and a role model. You will learn how to mentor your children, regardless of their age, as they learn to be positive self-advocates while building life-skills around respect, tolerance and empathy. This presentation is appropriate for parents with children of all ages.

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