



CDS Newsletter

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Interim Reports/Report Cards/Conferences

Interim Reports to update you on your child's progress so far this year will be issued on Friday, October 2. Please review these with your child, sign, and return to your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible.

Report Cards with the first quarter's grades will be sent home on Thursday, October 29. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held the week after Report Cards are issued, on Thursday, November 5. All students will be dismissed at 11:00 that day (there will be no Extended Day Program that afternoon), and conferences will be held from 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM, and from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. No students or siblings may accompany parents to the conferences.

Baby, It's Cold Outside!

Parents, we want to make you aware that the temperature inside the school building may be on the chilly side from now on. All students will need to have a sweater to wear in school every day. Only solid navy blue cardigans or pullovers are allowed per our Dress Code – **no sweatshirts or other types of jackets.**

You can purchase CDS logo sweaters and vests from our uniform company, J.B. Edward, at their store at 39 Cummings Park in Woburn, or order from them on-line at www.jbedwarduniforms.com. Our school code is #206. You can also place phone orders at 800-654-5148.

Of course, you may purchase sweaters from another vendor as long as the item is totally plain and is a solid navy blue - no logos, stripes, etcetera.

Collection for Loaves and Fishes

Our first Service Project for the school year will be a two-week collection of non-perishable foods, personal care, and household items to benefit Loaves and Fishes. Collection Boxes will be set up in the School Lobby from Monday, October 5 through Friday, October 16. Suggested donations are listed on their website, www.devenspantry.org.

We will also be accepting monetary donations. Please make your checks payable to CDS, with the notation "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo section. Thank you.

Shop Till You Drop

Mark your calendars now! Take care of those birthday and Christmas gifts, and support your school. The PTG has made arrangements with The Westford Toy Shop for a CDS Fundraising Day on Friday, November 6. Country Day will receive 20% of all purchases you make that day. So make that list, check it twice, get ready, set, and GO!

BOO !!

Oh, don't be scared, it's just time to start thinking about Halloween time at Country Day School! We start off with CDS Pumpkin Decorating Week. Students may bring in their decorated pumpkins from Monday, October 26, through Friday, October 30. **DO NOT CARVE THEM**, because if you do, then we will have a *really scary* mess going on here! All pumpkins must be taken home on Friday.

Later that Friday, October 30, the real fun begins at 1:00 PM, when our Annual Costume Parade is held in the School Parking Lot, with prizes given for the best costumes. The children should wear their uniforms to school that day, and bring their costumes. There will be parents in the classrooms to help them change for the festivities.

All families and friends are welcome to view the parade; however, parking is limited, so ride with a friend if you can. **And please take care not to block our neighbor's driveway, which merges with the school entrance.**

After the parade, the children will return to their classrooms for parties, and all students will be dismissed as usual at 2:30 (no Extended Day). Once again, in conjunction with the Groton Woman's Club, we will distribute Unicef Boxes to all students to take with them when Trick-or-Treating on Halloween night. If you would like to support this cause, please return your boxes to the Office the following week.

CDS Fall Gala

Be on the lookout for your invitation to our Gala on Saturday, November 14. This event is a major source of funding for the capital improvements we'll need to make this year. Without your support, we must otherwise rely on tuition increases. But the great news is that this is an evening of sophisticated food and drink, with lots of fun thrown in, that makes giving an absolute pleasure, so join us!

Coming Attractions

Columbus Day Holiday - Monday, October 12

Report Cards – Thursday, October 29

School Picture Retake Day – Wednesday, November 4

Parent/Teacher Conferences - Thursday, November 5
All Students Dismissed at 11:00 – No Extended Day

Westford Toy Shop CDS Fundraiser – Friday, November 6

Save the Date & Book Those Sitters!

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Saturday, November 14