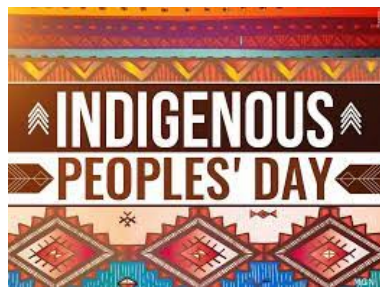


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October 6, 2023

Dear CES Families,

Thank you to everyone who participated in Curriculum Night last night! Grade level and unified arts teachers (art, library, music, PE and Spanish) presented information on their daily schedules, English/Language Arts, math, science, social studies, and Project-Based Learning curriculum.

Please see below for important information and upcoming events.

Have a wonderful holiday weekend!

Mrs. Lisa Cushing, Principal (lcushing@willingtonct.org)

PTA News

Thank you to all who sent in money for the PTA's 2023 Penny Wars! The grade level with the most points will win a popcorn and pajama party on Friday, October 13th

Super Bees

Congratulations to this week's Super Bees: **Athena** in 4P and **Reilly** and **Grayson** in KBris:



Athena's class chose her as their Kindness 101 Award recipient. She is positive, listens to everyone, and always cheers people up by complimenting them.

Reilly is a kind, compassionate student who is always helping others. She follows directions the first time they are given and politely reminds others what they should be doing if they forgot. You can always find her going above and beyond straightening up and organizing the classroom.

Grayson is a kind, caring friend who goes out of his way to help others and tidy up the classroom. He is a hard worker who always pays attention and follows

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directions the first time they are given. Grayson always puts forth his best effort in everything he does.

Great job Super Bees!

Abracabully

Center School is committed to creating a kind and welcoming environment to all students. October is National Bullying Prevention Month; in honor of this, Center School will welcome Michael Kirschner, who runs an anti-bullying/kindness program called Abracabully. The show focuses on the individual, the community, attitudes, respect, and empathy. He will deliver his powerful bullying story and educate students on what to do if they are being bullied or know someone who is. Along with his message, he will perform a magic show! The assemblies will take place **October 17th**.

Reminder from Mrs. Redding in the Library

Please return library books weekly on your library day. When you return your book(s), you get to borrow a new one! Please email aredding@willingtonct.org with any questions.

Picture Day

We had a conflict with our previously scheduled Picture Day so it has been changed to **Monday, November 6th**. This date accommodates all student schedules and Lifetouch will be able to take class photos again!

Veterans Day

This year Veterans Day falls on a Saturday so here at Center School will have our annual celebration of local veterans the day before on **Friday, November 10th**. Last year we created a "Wall of Honor" with commemorative bricks of loved ones who have served. This year we want to incorporate photos of loved ones into our school-wide presentation that can be replayed on the TV in the main office lobby. In order to do that, though, we need your help! Please send photos of loved ones who are currently serving and/or who have served in the armed forces to me at lcushing@willingtonct.org with the following information: the veteran's name, the

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name of the CES student to whom the veteran is related and how they are related, and the branch of the military in which the veteran served. (Photos with the CES student would be even better.) Thank you in advance!

Lost & Found

We have collected several items in Lost & Found, located in the CES cafeteria. If your child is missing something, please stop by to look through the growing collection; hopefully you'll find what you've been looking for!

Mark Your Calendar

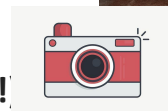
October

- 9** **Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day – No School**
- 10 Staff Development – No School for Students
- 13 Pajama and Popcorn Party for Penny Wars Winners
- 17 Abracabully - Anti-bullying Magic Show for PK - Grade 4
- 31** **Halloween** - Dress like your favorite character (but please save face masks/inflatable costumes/weapons for Trick-or-Treating!)



November

- 6** **Picture Day at CES (with class photos!**
- 10 Veteran's Day celebration at CES
- 20-21 Parent/Teacher Conferences - Early Dismissal at 1:10
- 22 Early dismissal at 1:10
- 23-24 Thanksgiving recess - No School



Flyers:

- WPS Substitutes Needed
- PTA of Willington Volunteers Needed
- PTA of Willington Lyman Orchards Fundraiser
- PTA of Willington Trunk or Treat
- PTA of Willington Meet the BOE Candidates
- HMS Yearbooks for Sale
- Willington Workers 4-H

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WPRD Basketball

WPRD Jack-O-Lantern Contest

WPL Free Flu Clinic for kids

Food Services Information – Meal Order Link

Reminder- No School 10/9 and 10/10 Enjoy the long weekend!

★ ★ One breakfast will be served daily at no cost to ALL students. Lunch is returning back to full pay this year. Lunch will be \$2.85 for students. If your student qualifies for free or reduced meals, lunch will be at no cost. ★ ★

We encourage families to apply for free and reduced meals. Link for F/R form:

<https://lingconnect.com/public/meal-application/new?identifier=QHNJ5P>

Paper forms are available in the front office at each school and are also available on the school website. ★ ★

Please sign your children up for meals by **12:00pm on Sunday 10/8.**

****Please be sure this is completed in a timely manner so we are able to provide lunch for your child in the upcoming week. ****

★ ★ **Please go over this order form with your children.** We have a lot of children saying they don't like certain items that they are signed up for. If you're unsure if your child likes something or not, please do this order form with them. We have students changing their mind and it is holding up the lunch line. Thank you! ★ ★

Reminder- lunch link is only for CES Students. HMS students are coming through the lunch line and choosing from a variety of options.

BREAKFAST:

★ ALL Students will receive a Breakfast meal at No Cost, regardless of their free/reduced lunch status. ★

LUNCH:

★ Students eligible for free/reduced meals will receive a lunch meal at no cost. ★

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★ Students not eligible for free/reduced-priced meals will receive a free breakfast through the CSDE STABLE funding. However, they will still be charged the full lunch price of **\$2.85**. ★

🍎🍎 **FARM TO SCHOOL UPDATE - Apples, Broccoli, Tomatoes and Carrots served this week are locally grown at the Horse Listeners Orchard in Ashford, CT!** 🍎🍎

If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Knight at sknight@willingtonct.org or [860-487-2107](tel:860-487-2107).

[Link to sign up for lunches for the week of 10/11-10/13](#)