

## Cape Cod Lighthouse Charter School

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Hello Lighthouse Families

It's great to see that spring appears to be making an appearance on the Cape Cod landscape! I hope that the improved weather helps to brighten everyone's spirits a bit, given all that we are going through.

This is Teacher Appreciation Week! I'm sure you all want to join me in thanking our dedicated CCLCS staff for working so hard for our kids during this new version of school. Our staff's ability to redesign the curriculum in a way that emphasizes the most important skills and concepts in each of their areas has been a wonder to observe. Even more than that, it has been inspirational to watch our teachers fight hard to try and reach every student in their care during a time when it is not easy to do so. Huzzah to the CCLCS teachers! In our teachers' honor, CCLCS will be purchasing a tree that we will plant on the school grounds in a location that will create a place for teachers to relax once school returns to normal.

I also want to thank our surrogate teachers- all the parents, guardians and siblings who are working so hard to structure their days in ways that allow their kids to succeed under challenging conditions. This isn't easy, and the adults holding together your home communities hold a special place in your teachers' hearts, especially now. We appreciate and rely on your partnership now more than ever.

GRADING UPDATE: I hope you all had a chance to review the Term 3 grading policy we sent out last week. Based on the extra flurry of work passed in last week, it seems as though many of you did. I would like to point out a few things to look forward to that will help you and your students know whether you are keeping on track for receiving credit this term:

- → Teachers are updating their grading algorithms in Jupiter so that the grades reflected there will be consistent with the new policy. This will mean that the Jupiter grade will be able to tell you if you are doing enough to receive credit in any course. If not, you will be able to see the assignments that you need to make up.
- → We will activate a setting in Jupiter that will alert you if you fall below the level to receive credit and a particular class. You can also activate these alerts by going into your own account.
- → We expect to have these changes to the Jupiter system ready by Wednesday at the earliest, or Friday if we run into any glitches.
- → Please note that these alert systems will not replace the fact that your teachers and administrators are ready to help you at any time.

Stay safe and healthy! Mr. Niles

#### Links to Weekly Assignments (overview) -

Sixth Grade / Seventh Grade / Eighth Grade

Links to "At - A - Glance" (assignments by day - alternative view) -

Sixth Grade

**School Supplies Pick Up -** Any families who may need additional school supplies are free to contact the school and schedule a pick up. Please contact Catherine O'Leary at <a href="mailto:coleary@cclcs.info">coleary@cclcs.info</a> to arrange obtaining materials.

**YEARBOOK!** We are now taking ad and book orders for the 2020 edition of our school yearbook, which will arrive in June. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please complete the order form below and send it back to me, with payment, by Friday, May 29, 2020. Also, you can pay via PayPal. https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd= s-xclick&hosted button id=TVHQLP3LZMHMG

Still looking for more selfies for the yearbook!! Send in to <a href="mailto:yearbook@cclcs.info">yearbook@cclcs.info</a>.

Local Food Services - <a href="https://bit.ly/39swSJt">https://bit.ly/39swSJt</a>

**Resources During This Time -** We have created a webpage with resources for parents and students. On that page are Mr. Niles letters, food services, grade assignment documents, technology information, counseling services and academic support teachers. We update it every week.

https://www.cclighthouseschool.org/distance-learning

8th Grade Parents! We Are Missing 8 Records - An email was sent to you that included an electronic Release of Record form for you to sign. This is an important form that must be filled out in order for CCLCS to release your child's permanent record to his/her chosen high school. If you are not sure which high school your child will attend next year, please Sallie Probolus (sprobolus@cclcs.info) with any information you may have for the delay.

**Do You Like To Cook?** Interested in Middle Eastern culture? The Center for Middle Eastern Studies will host six different sessions on Arab, Persian, Sephardic Jewish, and Turkish cooking. People will be provided an ingredient list in advance, so they can be prepared to cook along with the expert. <a href="https://cmes.arizona.edu/virtual\_cooking\_festival">https://cmes.arizona.edu/virtual\_cooking\_festival</a>

Launching THIS WEEK: The University of Arizona Center for Middle Eastern Studies and Center for Latin American Studies, two Title VI US Department of Education-endorsed National Resource Centers, have developed a FREE online educational experience/game for students which will allow school classes or even home-schooled students, grades 4-12, to explore the world. Students will have the opportunity to embark on one of 3 different trips, each going to 3 different countries. There are 5 different tracks too, so that while all students will visit the same 3 countries, they will visit different cities, making it a fun experience to share their work with the rest of the class. A computer program will automatically take them to the different cities in their tracks. After completing 2 short activities (1 required and 1 drawn from 3 different choices), the student can

move on to the country. Any student completing a 3-country trip will receive a certificate (via email - good for high school students to list on their resumes) and entry into a drawing for prizes (shipped through Amazon). If a student wants to go on to complete 2 other trips (each with 3 different countries), he/she can get a higher-level certificate and additional chances to win. It should be a great, fun learning experience. Check it out at: <a href="https://las.arizona.edu/road-maps-around-world-adventure">https://las.arizona.edu/road-maps-around-world-adventure</a>

# Birthday Shout Outs!

#### Students:

Avery Miltimore - May 4th! Hannah Lovely - May 8th Ryan Amerault - May 9th! Eli McPherson - May 10th!

### Meme of the Week -







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Dear Parents,

We are now taking ad and book orders for the 2020nedition of our school yearbook, which will arrive in June. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please complete this order form and send it back to me, with payment, by **Friday, May 29, 2020.** 

Thank you, Mindy Lamothe mlamothe@cclcs.info

- 1.) Pay with a credit card: Click on this link to PayPal
- 2.) Pay with a check: Use this yearbook order form

Description	Price	Amount	Total
2020 CCLCS Yearbook	\$20.00		
TOTAL			

#### **Your Information**

Please use one form for multiple siblings.

Student's Name:	Homeroom:
Student's Name:	Homeroom:
Parent's Name:	
Parent Phone Number:	Email:

Send your form and check to:

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