THE MORLEY READER

Character Builds Community

Mr. Ryan Cleary, Principal

June 8th 2018

Dear Morley Community,

How can this possibly be the last Morley Reader of the year?! The 2017-2018 school year has been one filled with accomplishments for all students to celebrate and remember. I am extremely proud of all Morley students and teachers for the growth they have shown this year. Before the summer, I would like to highlight some extraordinary efforts from students, families, and staff.

First of all, I would like to thank the entire Morley community for a wonderful 90th Anniversary celebration on June 6th. It was fantastic to see the building so full of students, teachers, alumni, and parents. The proclamation from the town reflecting Morley's commitment to community is a great honor. I would like to thank the 90th anniversary committee for all of their hard work in making the celebration a huge success. Here's to another 90 years!

Next, I would like to congratulate **4th grader Nick C.** Nick submitted an essay about what he learned about the stock market this year to the 2018 InvestWrite contest. His writing piece won 1st place in the state of Connecticut and 10th place in the entire nation! Way to go Nick, I know who I am going to for investment advice! Also, please join me in congratulating **Kim Ashworth** and **Heather Alerte** who have been offered fellowships through the Dialo Foundation at the Lincoln Center Education's 2018 Summer Forum! Lastly, we are happy to announce that we will be sending 4 more teachers to our sister school in Haiti this summer. **Peg Flower, Leeann Kluskiewicz, Jen Hall,** and **Jenny Dorl** will be heading to Deschapelles right after school ends. Their experience will help to further support our Haitian friends as well as enrich our cultural learning here at Morley. Please join me in wishing them safe travels!

Lastly, I'd like to thank the PTO for an amazing year and recognize **Liz Hannawalt** for her tireless contributions as her tenure as PTO co-president comes to a close. Joining **Kim Parets** next year, I'd like to welcome **Rebekah Hatch** into her new role as co-president. They will continue the excellence that has become the identity of the Morley PTO.

As the year comes to a close, there are always a few goodbyes. Please join me in wishing **Irene Smith,** one of our kindergarten paras, a happy retirement. Also, I would like to **celebrate our 5th graders** and congratulate them on a fantastic Morley career. Good luck (and have fun!!) in middle school!

For 90 years, Morley has been a place where **Character Builds Community**. Thank you all for your efforts to keep the Morley spirit alive. Your contributions to the school to support teaching, learning, and community are greatly appreciated. I wish everyone nothing but the best for this summer, and I look forward to seeing you all in the fall.

Respectfully,

Ryan Cleary

Ryan Cleary, Principal

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Curriculum Corner

by Jennifer Slifer, Curriculum Specialist

Preventing Summer Slide

Summer slide is the tendency for students to lose achievement gains made in reading and math during the previous school year. This phenomenon (and term)was coined in 1906 by William F. White, a mathematics teacher in New York. Numerous studies on this topic have been done and the "summer slide" continues to be documented over 100 years later.

How Can it Be Prevented?

Summer slide affects both math and reading skills. There are many **FREE** things that families can do to help prevent it:

- Join the summer reading program at the local library: http://www.westhartfordlibrary.org/children_n_teens/children/summer_reading.asp You can print out a reading log or log your books electronically
- Listen to an audiobook or read an e-book! You can listen as a family on a long car ride or you can tune your child in/read via an app on a laptop or phone.
    - **Join EPIC**! It's an online reading program. **Subscribe for $3 for 3 months! GetEpic.com**
    - **Hoopladigital.com** - A free app that you can use to borrow audio and e-books from your library. You only need a library card to access this service.
    - **Storylineonline.net** - Choose a book to be read to you! A famous reader will read the story aloud while you can view the pictures and words in the book.
- Go to a museum or zoo! Ask about the ***museum passes*** at the local library for discounted or free entry to locations throughout the state and some neighboring states!
- Learn a new word a week! Post it on the refrigerator and challenge the family to use it throughout the week.
- Use a deck of cards to play addition war, multiplication war, memory (find matching pairs), or order the cards from lowest to highest or highest to lowest.
- Have your child "earn" tech time. For every 30 minutes spent playing outside, reading, or playing a board game, your child can "earn" 30 minutes of tech time.
  Non-computer reading activities and math games support the development of critical thinking skills, reflection, and problem solving.

Enjoy the Summer![1]

[1] https://i0.wp.com/justreedblog.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/summer-loss-statistics.jpg

Dear Morley Families,

Children acquire skills throughout the school year, but they can lose ground if learning stops during the summer break. Research about how much children lose ground over the summer is well documented. Harris Cooper of Duke University notes, "Overall, children experience an average summer learning loss across reading and mathematics of about one month" (1996). The thing is, though, kids don't have to lose over the summer. In fact, you can encourage your child to have a summer of fun and learning. Children, who read throughout the summer gain skills, can start the new school year with a better understanding of language and the world around them, and discover the joy of reading. The more they like to read, the more they will read. It's not hard to help your children keep their interest in reading and learning. Children learn through a variety of activities, and almost everything we do presents an opportunity to read.

1. When you're eating breakfast, read the cereal box; if you're in a restaurant, read the menu.
2. Read the newspaper with your children and discuss what's happening in the world.
3. Take your kids to the library often and let them choose which books to check out.
4. Listen to books on tape.
5. Subscribe to a magazine.
6. Take turns reading to each other.
7. Allow your kids to stay up a half hour later at night as long as they're reading.

Reading every day, even if it's for just a few minutes, improves children's ability to read and learn all year long.

Summer Reading 2018: Libraries Rock!

During the last library class, we will be discussing summer reading. The goal for students in grades K-2 is to read at least 10 books this summer. The goal for students in grades 3-5 is to read at least 5 books this summer. We would encourage you to read even more!

The town provides a suggested list of books and a log to keep track of the number of books your child finished reading. This log will be sent home the last week of school. In addition, students will be signed up for a free Wandoo Reader account to track their books electronically, if you prefer. You only record the books once, either on paper or online. I'm asking for your support this summer to help your son or daughter carve out a slice of their day to read and think about their reading.

The summer reading log should be returned the first week of school and given to your child's new teacher. If you use the electronic Wandoo Reader to track your books, the West Hartford Public Library will notify me in September of the number of books your child has read. The number of participants and number of books read will be tallied and reported to the State of Connecticut as part of Governor Malloy's Summer Reading Challenge.

If you lose your summer reading form, a new one can be printed at
http://www.westhartfordlibrary.org/children_n_teens/children/summer_reads.asp

I hope you have a happy and healthy summer! Sincerely, Mrs. Brenda Smith, Library Media Specialist

Important Dates & Events at Morley

Fri Jun 8	6pm – 8pm	Morley Family Picnic	School Grounds
	8am - 8:30am	Tag Sale	Blacktop
	9am - 1pm	Grade 2 Field Trip	New Britain Museum of Art
	3:20pm - 3:45pm	Tag Sale	Blacktop
Tue Jun 12	8:30am - 3pm	5th Grade Day JCC Day	JCC
Wed Jun 13	5:45pm	5th Grade Students Arrival Time!!	Auditorium
	6:00pm - 7:30pm	5TH Grade Moving Up Ceremony	Auditorium
Thu Jun 14	11am - 12pm	K-2 Kids & Families Haiti Day	Auditorium/Classrooms
Fri Jun 15	9am - 9:30am	5th Grade Egg Drop	
	9am - 9:30am	Dictionary Ceremony for Grades 3 & 4	Auditorium
Sun Jun 17		FATHER'S DAY	
Mon Jun 18		BACKPACK BRIGADE!!!	
Wed Jun 20	2PM Dismissal	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	
Thu Jun 21		FIRST DAY OF SUMMER ~ SUMMER SOLSTICE	

2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Mon Aug 27	1PM - 2PM	OPEN HOUSE
Wed Aug 29		FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Recognition of Religious Holiday: 5/16-6/14 Ramadan* (Islamic); 6/15 Eid al-Fitre* (Islamic) *All holy days begin at sunset the day before*

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Morley Family Picnic
Tonight 6/8
6PM - 8PM

Library Books
Back to the Library
As we head into the end of the year, we ask that our students find and return all library books by Friday, June 8th

Gym Rats!

Grades K - 3 Thurs
8am Session D
5/17 - 6/14

Grades 3 - 5 Fri
7:50am Session E
5/18 - 6/15

FLYERS & BROCHURES AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE & COURTYARD

Girls Basketball Camps
Summer Reading Skills Classes
Summer Camps
Youth Sports Clinics @ Hall & Conard

Medication Pick-Up

State regulations require that all unused medication be picked up by parents/guardians by the last day of school. Any medication not picked up will be discarded after the last day of school. Please note that medication authorizations signed by a parent/guardian and a health care provider must be renewed each school year.

If you have any questions, please contact me at **860.929.5660**

Have a wonderful summer!

Angela Colossale, RN

Attention All Families of 5th Grade Students

Middle School Physical Exam and Immunization Requirements

All children attending school in West Hartford must be in compliance with the State of Connecticut physical examination and immunization laws.

During 6th grade, make sure your child has the following:

a physical exam done **AFTER** July 1, 2017

these immunizations: Varicella #2, Tdap, and Menactra

Your child's primary care provider will need to complete the Blue State of Connecticut health assessment form and provide an updated immunization record. Once obtained, send to your middle school nurse. Thank you.

Kathy Condon RN	LisaMarie Vitelli RN	Julie Schwartz RN
Melissa Hawkins RN	Melissa Wren RN	Bristow Middle
King Philip Middle	Sedgwick Middle	860-929-5210
860-929-5260	860-929-5310	

Kindergarten Kindergarten

CALLING FUTURE KINDERGARTNERS

If you have, or know of a child who will be 5 years old on or before 1/1/19 eligible for kindergarten in Fall 2018, please call the school office @ 860.233.8535. We would like to add your child's name to our list of incoming students for the 2018 - 2019 school year.

Thank you

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION ARE YOU MOVING?

In order to determine accurate enrollment numbers for next year, we ask that you let us know if you will be moving out of the Morley district for the 2018 - 2019 school year. Please call the Morley School office, if you plan to move to another school district.

If you have a 5th grader who will not attend King Philip or Bristow Middle School, we need that information also. ***Otherwise, all 5th grade student records will move on to King Philip or Bristow Middle School.***

Thank you!

2016 Education Legislation: Public Act 16-189

We believe that it is vital for all students in West Hartford Public Schools to be able to efficiently and effectively use digital tools that empower them in all phases of the process, including research, problem solving, content creation, communication, and collaboration. We also believe that we must be committed at all times to protecting students' privacy and providing them with a powerful and safe educational experience. To that end, the West Hartford Public Schools follow the legal requirements of Public Act 16-189 to promote the safety and security of all students and staff.

In compliance with Connecticut State Law, we update online programs used within the district that house student data. The programs may be used district-wide, in a very small number of classrooms, or with individual students. The list will be updated each time the district enters into a new contract where student data is housed. For more information on the specifics of Public Act 16-189 and updates of vendor agreements, visit www.whps.org/pa189.

Congratulations to Morley School's Nutmeg Challenge Winners! 4th and 5th graders read at least 8 out of the 10 Nutmeg books and completed a response form for each. They were invited to a special pizza lunch and treats, and they also received a free book from the book fair! The students who participated included: Amelia S., Kate D.W., Rocco C., Caeli S., Caitlin G., Maddie F., Riley R., Hadley E., Noah M., Katie H., Lilli G., and Bessie N. Congratulations to the winners! Keep reading!

In other Nutmeg News, fourth and fifth grade students voted for their favorite Nutmeg book from this year's ten nominees. The 2018 winning title for Morley School students was The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Be sure to check out the new 2019 Nutmegs at the public library this summer!

It's Coming to the End of the Year...Do you Know Where Your Library Books Are?

As we head into the end of the year, we ask that our students find and return all library books **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JUNE 8th**. This is in order to conduct our annual inventory of the library collection. Most of the time the books can be found in lockers, desks, under beds, in closets, or at Grandma's house. However, If your child has lost a book, or if their book is damaged, please make arrangements to reimburse Morley School for the cost of replacing the item. Please check backpacks for overdue notices. If you have any questions, please contact the Library Media Specialist, Mrs. Smith, at brenda_smith@whps.org. We appreciate your cooperation in teaching your children about being responsible for the privilege of using library books, so that they can be enjoyed by all our students.

Morley Family Picnic

Friday June 8th 6pm to 8pm

(Rain Date: Friday June 15th 6pm to 8pm)

MEDC Cakewalk • Face Painting • Balloon Making
Bounce House • Jumbo Slide • Obstacle Course

Dunk Tank Fundraiser $1.00

$8 per person
Children under 3 free
$40 family max.
Tickets available at the door
*OR **in advance***

*No charge for **NEW**, incoming Kindergarten families*

Watch for email!

MDC

June 9 10 am - 6 pm
June 10 Noon - 6 pm
www.celebratewesthartford.com
2018
Celebrate!
WEST HARTFORD
Town Hall Common
50 South Main Street, West Hartford, CT
Arts & Crafts Show
Carnival Rides & Games
Free Petting Zoo
Great Food
Live Music
New! Community Bike Ride
5K Road Race
Kids Fun Run
Free Horse-drawn Trolley ride
Performances in Blue Back Square
Free Admission/Rain or Shine
Cigna

Sunday, June 10
Celebrate! West Hartford
5K
2018 ROAD RACES
31st Annual 5K & Kids Fun Run
West Hartford Town Hall • 50 South Main St., West Hartford, CT
Register online at www.CelebrateWestHartford.com
Report to Town Hall on Race Day!
Free Race Shirt to first 600 5K registrants
Refueling buffet by Whole Foods Market
1st, 2nd, 3rd awards in all divisions
Raffle Prizes
5K Run: $25 ($30 after June 1)
Kids Fun Run: $5
Help kids get active!
Race proceeds subsidize scholarships for youth swimming lessons and camps!
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Message to Students and Families on The Commissioner's 2018 Summer Math Challenge: Solving the Mysteries of Math

Our school is excited to participate in the **2018 Commissioner's Summer Math Challenge: Solving the Mysteries of Math** recently announced by the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE). The CSDE in partnership with Metametrics is offering this FREE math skills maintenance program based on grade-level standards to students who have just completed grades 1 through 8.

We will send home copies of the **registration information sheet and math log** for all Grade 1-5 students before the last day of school. Families can enroll online at http://Quantiles.com/summer-math and receive daily emails from June 19, 2018 through July 28, 2018 with fun activities and links to educational resources. Each week of the six-week program targets a different grade level concept.

When registering your child, please enter your child's grade level and overall math performance (*finds math at grade level easy, usually performs at grade level, or struggles with math at grade level*). This information will support you and your child's engagement with the program activities. Please leave the sections on Quantile measures blank or, if prompted, "do not know." This math challenge is being sponsored in many states across the country, and Quantile is not a measure currently used by all CT districts.

Information for the Commissioner's Summer Math Challenge can also be found on the whps district website's Summer Math Challenge page. Click here for a link to the math log if needed (all Grade 1-5 students will receive a hard copy before the end of school).

We hope you enjoy engaging in the Summer Math Challenge with your child this summer!
If any questions, please contact our school office or Kerry Jones, Director of Elementary Education, at kerry_jones@whps.org.

Greetings from the West Hartford Public Library Children's Division!

Before the end of the year, your child will be receiving a Summer Reading List with recommended book titles available at the public library. You will also receive a Summer Reading Log to record books read this summer.

Students can submit these reading logs in one of two ways:

- Record any books read on the paper reading logs provided and submit the log to your child's teacher in September

- Sign up for Wandoo, our electronic summer reading platform: https://wandooreader.com/westhartfordlibrary/libraries-rock-summer-2018

  Using Wandoo, students can log in the books they read during the summer. The electronic log will be sent to teachers at the start of the school year (no need to print or hand in anything!). Wandoo Reader can be accessed on any computer or mobile device. The library has computers available as well. On Wandoo, students can also complete challenges and play a game! We encourage children to come visit the library and have fun reading.

Dear Parents,

Our partnership is critical to your child's success in school. We hope that you will read with your child, as this has been proven to be an important factor in developing lifelong readers.

Once again, the West Hartford Public and School Libraries are sponsoring the Summer Reading Program. Please join us in introducing our children to the wonderful world of reading for pleasure. Help them to explore places near and far, meet new people, and discover the wonders of the world, while powering their imaginations.

Summer reading lists assist you in helping your child select appropriate reading material that you can share together. Enjoy the journey!

Tom Moore
Superintendent of Schools

Stop by any West Hartford Public Library children's department or access our website http://www.westhartfordlibrary.org/children for more information.

Morley School PTO General Meeting

May 16, 2018

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1. **Welcome** (Liz Hanawalt/Kim Parets)
2. **Principal's Report** (Ryan Cleary)
    a. It's hard to believe that it's the last meeting of the year! Lots of great things happening around the school, in classrooms and after school! Inter-el is coming up, as well as k-2 field day, Morley's birthday.
    b. Placement letters written by parents have been received and the school has begun to work on putting classes together but will continue into the summer. Lots of questions have been made surrounding class sizes and number of classes per grade. There are possibilities for changes to occur over the summer regarding number of sections for each grade. It is still up in the air regarding which teachers will be teaching which grade. Placement letters will go out in August.
3. **Treasurer's Report** (Jill Nowacki)
    a. Jill shared current budget report.
4. **Recap:**
    a. **STEM Science Fair** (Kurt Moyer/Doug Chritton)
        i. Great science fair with lots of participants! This year the Hall HS chemistry club did a demonstration for the students, which was really well received and enjoyed by all.
    b. **Morley Madness** (Annabell Gwiazdoski/Liz Fay)
        i. Huge success! Lots of audience participation and students K-5 and their families. Teachers had a blast as well!
    c. **Teacher Appreciation Week** (Laura Preston)
        i. The food truck was big hit! Other schools were quite jealous! The teachers felt very special and appreciated.
5. **Updates:**
    a. **Volunteers** (Melissa Mabe/Janel MacDermott)
        i. **Open 2018/19 Positions:**
            1. **Positions to fill**: volunteer coordinator, PT council partner and Eat Drink Bid (2 people).
    b. **Upcoming Events-**
        i. **Yard Goats – Sat 5/19** (Molly James)
        ii. **Book fair; week of May 21**
        iii. **Art Show – Tues 5/29** (Kim Parets)
            1. Will be open before school on 5/29 and after school on 5/31
        iv. **Farmers' Market – Thu 6/7** (Liz Isaacs)
        v. **School Picnic – Fri 6/8** (Becky Munday/Catherine Graham)
            1. E-blasts to go out with details starting May 22nd
    c. **KIDS Fund** (Annabell Gwiazdoski/Christine Scannell)
        i. Request for 3 monarch butterfly framed picture ($148) APPROVED
        ii. Mr. Aparo: 12 kid friendly hurdles ($1428). 6 have been APPROVED, other ½ may be supported through school enhancement fund
        iii. Mrs. Laforte: 60 math kits for home skills ($300). APPROVED
    d. **Scholarships** (Rachana Sampat)
        i. 2 scholarships will be awarded $1000 each

ii. WH foundation: $500 donated. 21 applications sent in, scholarships given to 9 students

e. **Health & Wellness** (Liz Isaacs/Jen Scribanpot)
   i. MEDC is collecting food items for food pantry

f. **PT Council** (Doug Chritton/Rosa Guzzo)
   i. Meeting in April regarding safety in schools. All doors can be locked from the inside. Cameras have been installed and upgraded across buildings. Something to consider is inviting the nationally known expert in safety in schools, that spoke at that meeting, to speak to the PTO in the future.

g. **5th Grade Events/Fundraising** (Lisa Pesce/Aileen Panarella)
   i. June 12th: End of the year party at JCC
   ii. June 13th: moving up ceremony
   iii. Yearbooks have been handed out. 5th graders will have an opportunity to gather signatures from friends and teachers at the end of the year. 5th grade teachers and room parents to send out more info to students and parents.

h. **90th Birthday Celebration** (Ryan Cleary)
   i. June 6th at 9:30 is the celebration day! Assembly will occur outside on the field for teachers, students, alumni and families. Mayor Cantor has been invited. The school will open, and the building will be turned into a walking museum with images and information about Morley's history. Reception will take place in the auditorium

i. **Gift to the school:**
   i. PTO money that goes to the school. In the past it has gone to resources for classrooms and for the school, online subscriptions and materials that are needed and enrichment opportunities and technology. Currently, it is $7000!

j. **School enhancement fund:**
   i. Last year a bike rack was purchased with this money.
   ii. Some suggestions for spending:
      1. A purchase towards buying leveled texts for individual classrooms. Mr. Cleary will look into what classrooms are in greatest need.
      2. Shade for kindergarten playground. Kristen Cianflone has been working on this project for 3 years! Mr. Cleary and Kristen will be contacting DPW and zoning to follow up. This is a priority to the PTO.
      3. More enrichment in the area of technology for Brenda Smith. Something like a snap circuit kit?
      4. Hurdles for gym use

6. **2018/19 Board Positions:** Rebekah Hatch has been nominated as the new co-president for the PTO
7. **New Business/Questions/Comments**

Free Summer Meals

Comidas de Verano Gratis

Children and teens ages 18 and under are welcome
Lunch served Monday - Friday 12:00PM - 1:00PM

Faxon Library
1073 New Britain Avenue, West Hartford, CT
860-561-8202

June 25th - August 17th, 2018

Meals & Administration provided by West Hartford Public Schools

EHC! End Hunger Connecticut! Making Room at the Table

USDA

CSDE Connecticut State Department of Education

West Hartford Back-to-School Program

Kindergarten – Grade 12

West Hartford Social Services offers a NEW backpack and assistance with school supplies for the 2018-2019 school year!

Servicios Social de West Hartford ofrece una NUEVA mochila y asistencia para efectos escolares para el año escolar 2018-2019!

Town Hall, 50 South Main Street
Social Services Office, Room 306
Program registration runs from June 4th - August 31st
Call 860-561-7561 for more information

Town Hall, 50 South Main Street,
Oficina de Servicios Sociales, oficina 306
Registración comienza desde Junio 4 - Agosto 31
Llame al 860-561-7561 para más información.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES ON REVERSE/ GUIAS DE INGRESOS EN EL REVERSO

Sponsored by:

THE TOWN THAT CARES WEST HARTFORD

2018 – 2019 Eligibility Requirements/Requisitos

REQUIREMENTS

- Income-eligible West Hartford residents (Grades K-12) or any student enrolled in a West Hartford Public School (Grades K-12) may apply for this program.
- Estudiantes residentes de West Hartford (Grados K-12) con ingresos elegibles o estudiantes inscritos en una escuela pública de West Hartford (Grados K-12) pueden aplicar para este programa.

INCOME GUIDELINES

Household Size/ Tamaño del Hogar	1	2	3	4	5
60% SMI	$34,366	$44,940	$55,514	$66,089	$76,663
Household Size/ Tamaño del Hogar	6	7	8	9	10
60% SMI	$87,237	$89,220	$91,202	$93,185	$95,168

Applicants MUST provide:

- **photo identification**
- **birth certificates for all children in the household**
- **recent piece of mail with current address**
- **proof of income (for the past 4 weeks)**

Solicitantes DEBEN proveer:

- **identificación con foto**
- **certificados de nacimiento de todos niños/as en el hogar**
- **correo reciente con dirección actual**
- **prueba de ingresos (de las últimas 4 semanas)**

MORLEY KIDS CAMP

Enroll your child NOW for an
AWESOME
Summer, 2018.

Morley Extended Day Care offers a summer camp program supervised by
Mature, Experienced, Enthusiastic and Well - Trained Staff!

Space is available in weekly camp sessions running from
June 2 – August 17, 2018.
Register your child for one week, a few weeks, or the entire summer!

Campers who are entering
Kindergarten – Sixth Grade are eligible to attend.

We offer swimming at Fern Pool, theme-related weekly field trips, arts and crafts, science and nature, drama and dramatic play, cooking, 'Spectacular Sports' (with a focus on teamwork and age-appropriate skill development), cooperative gym games, playground activities, air-conditioned comfort…

And much, much more!!

CALL FOR INFORMATION
860-232-5336
or e-mail
morleyextended@gmail.com

Registration forms can be found on the MEDC website:
Medc-ct.org

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Children's Multisport Series

DUATHLON	SPLASH & DASH	TRIATHLON
Farmington River Trail	Winding Trails	Mansfield Middle School
APRIL 14 — Age 8-15	JUNE 23 — Age 4-14	AUGUST 25 — Age 4-14
run/bike/run	swim and run	swim/bike/run

KIDS WHO TRI SUCCEED
SPLASH & DASH

WINDING TRAILS
June 23rd

Register now at
www.kidswhotrisucceed.com

Age 4-6:	**25 yd swim**	**/**	**0.5 mile run**
Age 7-8:	**50 yd swim**	**/**	**1.0 mile run**
Age 9-11:	**75 yd swim**	**/**	**1.5 mile run**
Age 12-14:	**200 yd swim**	**/**	**2.0 mile run**

T-shirts, swim caps, medals, refreshments and lots of fun!

Young Actor Musical Theatre Preparatory Program: Modern Broadway!

Join us this summer for a full day program of classes, rehearsals, and master classes with visiting Broadway artists. The program culminates in a final showcase where all students are featured as singers, actors, and dancers.

Young Actor Musical Theatre Preparatory Program (Grades 3 - 8)

Dates: July 16 -27 $725.00 for session (may be paid in 2 installments)
Time: 9:00am - 3:30pm
"You Are Not Throwin' Away Your Shot!"

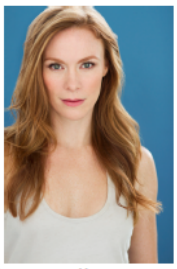
A two week full-day intensive musical theatre program preparing students of all levels for future training and performance in music, theatre, and dance. Each day students will rotate between acting, vocal, and dance classes to encourage self expression and build performance skills in a small group, and then come together in rehearsals to create a one of a kind culminating Modern Broadway Theatre showcase! Selections may include: *HAMILTON, IN THE HEIGHTS, DEAR EVAN HANSEN, WAITRESS, LEGALLY BLONDE*, and more!

*Master Classes with visiting artists:
$30.00/session to participate or $10.00/session to observe

Mon Jul 16 –**The Art of Clowning, with Eric Robertson**

Eric Robertson, the artist is the sum of very diverse parts. As a performer he's acted in film and TV, theatre, and musical theatre, on Broadway, all over the US and his native Canada. He's directed many productions around NYC, including the off-Broadway show "Gym Shorts: The Show," which he also wrote. He trained at the Barrow Group in NYC, where he was first introduced to the art of clowning. It was this course, and this philosophy, that transformed his acting more than anything else, and he is very excited to be able to share what he learned.

Mon July 23 – **Contemporary Musical Theatre Auditions Technique, with Michelle Pruiett**



Broadway: Ariel u/s THE LITTLE MERMAID. Tours: JERSEY BOYS, SWEET CHARITY , BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, NY Theater: York Theater: Lady Thelma Furness ONLY A KINGDOM, Midtown Int'l Thr Fest.: Louise MISS PELL IS MISSING, and others. Regional: Florida Studio Theater :Wanda BEEHIVE, Dyanne MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET, Playhouse on Park: Cassie A CHORUS LINE, Tuacahn CPA: Ariel (US Premiere) THE LITTLE MERMAID, Alabama Shakespeare Festival: Ariel THE LITTLE MERMAID, Sugar Loaf PAC: Day by Day GODSPELL, Sacramento Music Theater: Rumpleteazer CATS, and many others. While Touring the country and when in NYC Michelle has taught master classes with Broadway Classroom, Broadway Connection as well as many performing arts schools and programs throughout the country. Michelle also currently does private college audiiton coaching and muscial theater coaching. www.michellepruiett.net

For more information and to register, visit http://www.playhouseonpark.org.

Summer Kids on Stage! Classes

Kids On Stage!

Children will be introduced to theatre through creative play. A story and craft are often included. This summer we will be creating and rehearsing performances around "Superheroes" and "Under the Sea". Students will get to create their own stories and characters. On the final day, students present scenes for their families and friends.

Session 1: June 24 – 29 $275.00 for session

Kids on Stage! Superheroes

A theatrical experience that focuses on storytelling through acting and creative play. Young actors will shine on stage at the Playhouse and explore popular Superhero stories together as an ensemble. Come act out Batman, Supergirl, Spiderman, and all your favorites! Students will create their own Superhero Alter Ego characters, play Special Power Freeze Tag, and move and sing to songs like *Zero to Hero* from Hercules and *The Incredits* from The Incredibles.

This super session focuses on building basic acting skills and also adds in movement and music, along with craft projects to encourage self expression! Students will perform scenes in a culminating open class.

Session 2: July 9 – 13 $275.00 for session

Kids on Stage! Under the Sea

A theatrical experience that focuses on storytelling through acting and creative play. Young actors will shine on stage at the Playhouse and explore popular stories of the ocean together as an ensemble. Come explore the deep in a Snorkling Fantasy Walk and act out sharks, fish, mermaids, and more in a special Animal Runway Walk. Songs may include *Under the Sea* and *Part of Your World* from Little Mermaid and *Beyond the Sea* from Finding Nemo.

This underwater session focuses on building basic acting skills and also adds in movement and music, along with craft projects to encourage self expression! Students will perform scenes in a culminating open class.

Kindergarten through Grade 5

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Adopted by Board of Education
on April 18, 2017

TOTAL DAYS: 182
First semester - 91
Second semester - 91

West Hartford Public Schools
West Hartford, Connecticut

Mr. Tom Moore
Superintendent

School Calendar - 2018-2019

First Semester 91 Days

AUGUST (3)

M	T	W	TH	F
20	21	22	23	24
(27)	(28)	{29}	30	31

SEPTEMBER (17)

M	T	W	TH	F
[3]	4	5	6	7
[10]	11	12	13	14
17	18	[19]	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

OCTOBER (22)

M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
[8]	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

NOVEMBER (19)

M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	(6)	7*	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	[22]	[23]
26	27	28	29	30

DECEMBER (15)

M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
[24]	[25]	[26]	[27]	[28]
[31]				

JANUARY (15)

M	T	W	TH	F
	[1]	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
[21]	22	23*		

Important Dates

Teacher In-service Days (no school for students)	Aug. 27-28
First Day of School	Aug. 29
Labor Day	Sept. 3
Rosh Hashanah	Sept. 10
Yom Kippur	Sept. 19
Columbus Day	Oct. 8
Election Day (teacher In-service, no school for students)	Nov. 6
Veterans Day (observed) (school in session))	Nov. 12
Thanksgiving Recess	Nov. 22-23
Holiday Recess	Dec. 24-Jan. 1
Martin Luther King Day	Jan. 21
Winter Recess (Includes Presidents' Day on Feb. 18)	Feb. 18-19
Statewide Summative Assessments	March-May
Spring Recess	April 8-12
Good Friday	April 19
Memorial Day	May 27
Last Day of School	June 12

Legend:
- (◯) Teacher In-service Days (no school for students)
- ( ) First Day of School
- [ ] Holiday/Vacation
- * End of Quarter
- ◇ Snow Make-up Days, if needed

Second Semester 91 Days

JANUARY (6)

M	T	W	TH	F
			24	25
28	29	30	31	

FEBRUARY (18)

M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
[18]	[19]	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	

MARCH (21)

M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

APRIL (16)

M	T	W	TH	F
1*	2	3	4	5
[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]
15	16	17	18	[19]
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

MAY (22)

M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
[27]	28	29	30	31

JUNE (8)

M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12*	◇13	◇14
◇17	◇18	◇19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

The last day of school is scheduled for June 12. All snow or emergency days will be made up after this date in order to provide 182 instructional days.

School calendars are posted on the West Hartford Public Schools website at ***www.whps.org***