

Good News from Goodwin

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

There are so many wonderful things happening at Goodwin to share with you this month.

- ⇒ Mrs. Titchen worked with our fire department to have our annual egg drop. There were so many incredible projects that students brought in from home. The students took the challenge and it showed. The entire school turned out to watch each design's test. The sense of community was overwhelming. Thanks to all the parents who came to cheer on as well.
- ⇒ Through the kindness of the LoTurco family, our PE program received a gift of \$1500 from the Alice M. O'Brien Foundation. The monies have been used for expanding our ropes program. Thanks to Mr. Dean for his dedication to this program.
- ⇒ We are pleased that we have UCONN interns in our building again this year. Mrs. Hodge, Mrs. LeMarre, Mrs. Jankowski, and Mrs. Pagoni have student teachers and we have reading and writing interns working with Mrs. Quinn and Mrs. Allen as well. Our Blue Ribbon staff is training the next generation of teachers while being reflective in their own practices!
- ⇒ Once again, Dr. Patwa has organized our Ambassador's Club with 25 fourth grade students. They have been working on a world map and surveying students on their country or state of origin. Please take a look at our world map in the front hall. They also have been creating posters in anticipation of our November food drive to honor World Kindness Day on 11/14. They are also working on selecting the Goodwin School holiday.
- ⇒ Mrs. Hodge and Mrs. Jankowski spent time this summer updating their training in Responsive Classroom in order to continue to create positive classroom environments. They are sharing their training with the faculty this month and again in January for all to benefit.
- ⇒ The students in Mrs. Titchen's class designed rockets and they were a BLAST to see skyrocket. The heights they made showed how well they designed their rockets and how well they understand the scientific concepts taught. Congratulations to all our student scientists!

It's been a great year so far. I am looking forward to the Heritage Potluck, Thanksgiving Feast, and conferences this month!

Warmly,

Susan

Upcoming Events For November

11/11 Veterans Day—No School

11/19-Heritage Potluck dinner 6-7:30

11/20 -Teachers and Students Thanksgiving Feast

11/23—11/24 Parent Teacher Conferences:

- Monday evenings 4-7 Please contact your child's teacher to schedule an appointment.
- Tuesday Daytime 1-4. Please contact your child's teacher to schedule an appointment.

Please send a note to your child's teacher or email the office to your child's teacher if you are picking them up at the end of the day. gnoffice@mansfieldct.org

Please remember it's Flu season, if your child is showing flu symptoms (cough, headaches, fever or body aches-please keep your child home.

Children who have cold/flu symptoms need to be fever free for 24 hours, without the use of fever reducing medication, before returning to school.

Children who have diarrhea/vomiting should be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.