

Dr. Charles Barnum Elementary School
November 09, 2018



From the principal:

Thank you to all veterans for your service to our country and to those who were able to join us today for our Veterans Day Program. The Coast Guard brought a boat and some rescue equipment for all of the students to check out. Ryan Sullivan, Sophia Deming and Oscar Rodriguez did a nice job reading their essays; both the chorus and band students sounded great. To all of those who helped make today a special day, thank you.

Cookies & PJs was a huge success; it was nice to see so many families gathered in the classrooms to read and listen to so many books. We had lots of laughter in my room. What a great way to promote reading to the children!

Just a reminder that there is no school on Monday. Be sure to enjoy the long weekend!

Seth Danner
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Principal of the Day



Mercedes
Wilkerson
~
Courage

Mercedes feels she is best at reading, writing and math; however she would love to use math in different ways. Some of her favorites are mac & cheese, the Harry Potter series, football and soccer. While Mercedes enjoys sitting on the couch with her mom, she would love to travel to Paris one day. Mercedes said her dad, who is out to sea right now, is her hero because he is always fighting for our country.



Upcoming Events

- ★ **Nov. 12th: No School - Veterans Day**
- ★ **Nov. 21st - 23rd: No School Thanksgiving Break**

PTO Corner

If you have any ideas that you would like to share with the PTO, please email your ideas to: cbpto@outlook.com

- Nov. 14th - PTO Meeting, 3:45 pm
- Nov. 16th - Pie Order Pick-Up (Pick up from 2:00-5:00 pm)

Whatever you are, be a good one.
~ Abraham Lincoln

The Super Power Quote was selected by the Anchored for Life Team Leaders.

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~ COMING SOON ~
TO CHARLES BARNUM!

CONSTITUTION STATE WRESTLING

also in action

Saturday November 17, 2018
7 PM Start Admission: \$15 / \$10 Kids 12 & Under
Charles Barnum Elementary School
68 Briar Hill Rd. Groton, CT

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT



Ms. Knowlton is a special education teacher and has been teaching for seven years. Her favorite subject is science! Ms. Knowlton enjoys gardening, hiking and photography. She has only lived in Connecticut but loves to vacation at the Havasupai Waterfalls. She also enjoys eating ice cream! Ms. Knowlton's favorite quote is "Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations." - unknown.

Cookies & PJs Night

We had such a great time
reading that
Clifford
decided to
visit!



PICTURE RETAKE / ABSENTEE DAY - NOVEMBER 16th

Who Should Go on Absentee/Retake Day:

- Any student not satisfied with original portrait - Return your complete package minus the class picture to the photographer on retake day.
- Any student who was absent on the original day whether you are purchasing a package or not.
- Any student who did not purchase on the original day and would like to purchase a package.

Order forms are available in the school office approximately one week prior to retake day. Or you may order online at mylifetouch.com -- picture day id: EJ218045Q1 (site is available for ordering approximately 2 weeks prior to retake day)

Any questions, please call Lifetouch at 203-735-5933

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Barnum's Super Power for November: Simplicity

Three Ways to Simplify Your Life:

- **Matter Up!** - decide what and who is most important in your life and make more time for them; spend less time focusing on the negative clutter
- **Unplug** - cut down screen time; you'll find you have more time for the people, projects and hobbies you love
- **Take It Outside** - fresh air, laughter, playing with family and friends provide us with true depth, joy and meaning

WEST SIDE STEM MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL - OPEN HOUSE

December 5th, 6:00-7:30 pm

Jeffrey W. Kotecki
Principal
West Side STEM Magnet
Middle School
jkotecki@groton.k12.ct.us



West Side STEM Magnet Middle School will be holding an Open House on December 5th from 6:00-7:30 pm. We are looking forward to meeting the current fifth grade families and introducing them to the opportunities that await them in middle school. Our staff has worked hard over the last year to prepare a high quality STEM curriculum that is both rigorous and engaging. All prospective students and families are invited to attend the Open House. It would be like to be a Wildcat. You will have the opportunity to meet our educational partners, participate in numerous STEM activities throughout the building and experience what it will be like to be a Wildcat.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Gee Gee Ellis
Registrar, Central Office
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gellis@groton.k12.ct.us

Kindergarten registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin December 1, 2018 for Groton residents that have a child who will be five years of age on or prior to January 1, 2020. Please call 860-572-2100 or email gellis@groton.k12.ct.us after November 1st to setup your registration appointment.

In order to ensure that your child is placed in the elementary school where they are districted to attend, or to participate in the magnet lotteries please register your child prior to April 15, 2019.

If your child is already enrolled in one of our Groton Public Schools elementary preschool programs and will be five years of age on or prior to January 1, 2020, it is not necessary to register the student for Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year.



Please contact our Central Office if you have any questions or need additional information.

Veterans Day

Here are just a few pictures from today!



Jacob and Sienna were the hosts at our Veterans Day Assembly.

Below are Ryan, Sophia and Oscar; they read their essays during the assembly today.



Look for more pictures from our Veterans Day Assembly next week!