



HARBOR CREW NEWS

April 1st, 2022

From Principal Foster

Dear Harbor CREW Families,

I hope you are all doing well! The following dates outline vital information for the next few weeks (they will also be distributed in book bags, sent via BlackBoard, and posted to our webpage). We thank all for your continued partnership. Please do not hesitate to reach out any time. Go to <https://harbor.newlondon.org/> for updates and information.

Have a wonderful week!



HB Calendar Updates:
April 15th through April 24th - Spring Break

HB Family Zoom links can be accessed by contacting huttonm@newlondon.org or drinkwaterk@newlondon.org.

Next Meeting/s:
- April 28

Friday, May 27th - HB Memorial Day Celebration: **(Families Welcome)**

Monday, May 30th - No School (Memorial Day)

Wednesday, June 15th - Last day of New London Rec Afterschool

Monday, June 20th - Tentative Date for 5th Grade promotion

Monday, June 20th - Last day of Afterschool Programming

Tuesday, June 21st - Last day of school (12:20 dismissal No Afterschool)

Harbor Spotlight: April 2022 Music Student of the Month: Charlotte Spinnato



Charlotte is a DELIGHTFUL student - she always comes to class with a smile on her face and a cheerful outlook. She is truly a breath of fresh air and the quintessential Music student. Her singing voice is beautiful, and she is both a fine dancer and an excellent performer! During our *Peter and the Wolf* "dramatic play" unit, Charlotte delivered performances in multiple roles, notably as "Bird" and "Duck." Her physicality and theatrical expression were *outstanding* and added to her peers' overall performance! Above all, Charlotte is a compassionate, conscientious student who always does the right thing. She has a HUGE heart, and we are so incredibly lucky to have her with us in Harbor School's Music Program. *Bravissima*, Charlotte!



This week MVPs are Elijah, Kai, Leighla. All these students performed at an elevated level during the fitness test crushing the scores and being top of the class in their respective categories. Hard work pays off every time! I am super proud of you all!

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Harbor Attendance

We take attendance every day, we look forward to seeing our students each morning. If your child will be absent, please call the school at (860) 447-6040 and let us know. At 9:45am every day automated calls will be sent. If you have any further questions, please check the parent handbook online or reach our school Social Worker, Mrs. Balestracci at balestraccik@newlondon.org

CREW Celebration!

HB PE-MVP of the Week: Ariana Waring



HB Art Student of the Week: *J'Veon Riddick*



HB Music Student of the Week: *Adana Ortiz-Thomas*



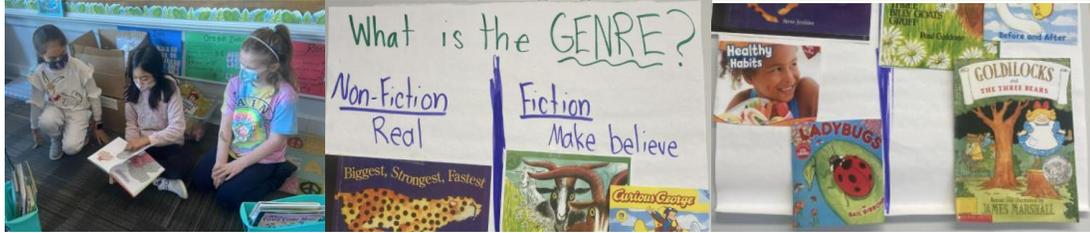
CREW Magnet Timeline Update!

NEW LONDON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT MAGNET TIMELINE
SY2021-2022
PREK-5

- November 15th**: Application Open (Application for 2021-2022 Magnet Lottery will be live.)
- April 2nd**: Application Close (Application for 2021-2022 Magnet Lottery will be closed.)
- April 15th**: Lottery Pull (2021-2022 Magnet Lottery will be officially conducted.)
- May 3rd-14th**: Registration Events (Registration opens for the 2021-2022 school year. Magnet schools hold events for registration.)



HB Highlights:



Second grade continues to have an impressive school year. We recently started reading with third grade reading friends and hope that this will help both second and third grade students continue to grow as readers. We just completed our personal narrative writing unit and enjoyed our writing celebration to share our hard work. We had fun reading many nonfiction texts this term and will begin reading poetry. We have exciting field trips scheduled for the remainder of the school year. We also look forward to our classes reading with Duke the therapy dog.

In Kindergarten, we have been exploring different genres of books and practicing our skills for independent reading. Students have been excited to choose their own books and predict what they will be about by examining the cover and taking a picture walk through the book. While independent reading, students have been looking for any familiar sight words they know and using the pictures for clues to find out any words with which they are unfamiliar. During shared reading time, we have been exploring both Nonfiction and Fiction books and their text features. Students have learned how important reading captions, headings, and using tools like the glossary and table of contents is while reading nonfiction books. They were excited to learn all kinds of new facts about animals, people, and places! We have just begun to explore fiction books and examine who the characters are in each book. During our fiction unit, we will explore traditional fairy tales to learn about a story's timeline, lessons, and setting!



First grade students from Ms. Hutnan and Mrs. Socha's classes are working in math to understand that two-digit numbers are composed of tens and ones. Partners chose two-digit numbers to compose using base ten towers and singles.

Summer School

The days of operation will be Monday – Thursday, July 11th – August 11th. Summer school for grades K-3 will be held at Winthrop; grades 4-5 at Harbor; and grades 6-8 at Jennings. K-5 programming will run from 8:30 – 12:00 and grades 6-8 will run from 9:00 – 12:00. Please note that Park and Recreation will be sponsoring the afternoon enrichment programs for students throughout the summer. They are in the process of hiring teams of staff who will be working the afternoon shifts. If you are someone interested in working both morning (academics) and afternoon (enrichments) please be sure to complete applications for both opportunities.



As always, please find all information for Harbor via our webpage at <https://www.newlondon.org/harbor>.