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"WHERE KIDS ARE THE CENTER OF OUR ATTENTION!"

March Newsletter

Dear Center School Families,

Is Spring here already? February surely reminded us how winter can be in New England. I for one have welcomed this early Spring-like weather pattern, and I know our students and teachers have also.

Our children continue to do amazing things. The overall growth they are making as learners has truly been inspiring. Words cannot describe the amazing work happening in our classrooms at Center School! Just the other day when I was visiting classrooms our kindergarteners were in reading partnerships, and the collaborative work happening within the partnership was so powerful and inspiring. In our second grade classrooms our students were hard at work drafting realistic narratives. You could feel the imagination and motivation to write in the air. I could go on and on... but this is just the tip of the iceberg and a small glimpse of the amazing work happening in our school by our students and teachers.

This month we will continue to host our *Ready, Set, Grow* kindergarten workshops. Our next workshop will be on Monday, March 6th. More information can be found on our school website. The end of the second trimester is right around the corner. The second trimester will close on Friday, March 17th and report card distribution will be on Friday, March 24th. Spring conferences will be held April 5th – April 7th. These will also be early release days. Please be on the lookout for future correspondence. I would also like to thank our literacy volunteers who spend time reading with our students. Looking ahead...our preschool enrollment is at the highest level ever and our kindergarten enrollment mirrors similar patterns to last year!

As I have communicated in past newsletters, this year Center School students, staff, and families have been working together on promoting good character. As part of our Character Education Program, *Keys to Good Character*, this month students will be learning about trustworthiness. At Center School we have defined trustworthiness as: being honest and always telling the truth, making good choices, and doing the right thing.

Thank you again for your support, patience, and cooperation in adhering to our arrival and dismissal procedures and continuing to make these busy times of the day safe for our students! I was recently contacted by some of our local business owners. They shared with me that during arrival and dismissal times parking near their local businesses has been difficult for employees and patrons. I ask you to please consider using our visitor parking lot during these times so that we can avoid parking issues with local businesses. As always, I welcome your feedback and collaboration in making our community and school safe for students, safe for families, and safe for staff.

There is so much to celebrate here at Center School! I gratefully and sincerely appreciate all that you do for our students, teachers, school, and community. I strongly believe when we engage in purposeful collaboration, while keeping students at the *center* of our collaboration, we will continue to move forward in a positive and productive direction that will best support *all* our students.

Please refer to our website <https://www.litchfieldschools.org/center-school> for more information about future events and the wonderful work happening at Center School.

Warmest Regards,

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