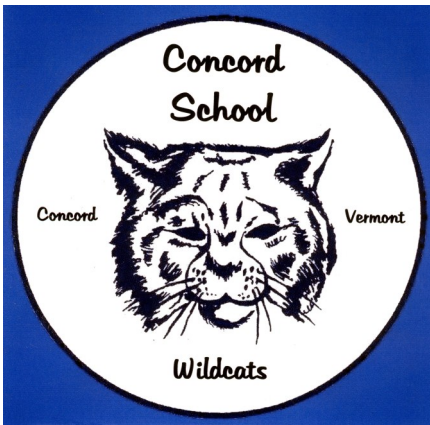


September 29, 2011



# Concord Community Connections

**Welcome to a new school year!**

Welcome to Concord Community Connections, a biweekly newsletter that keeps the Concord Community in the loop! We have many exciting things going on at Concord School, and we are excited to share them with you! It is our hope to send home one copy per family every two weeks. Copies are also available at: the post office, Bernie's, Alpine Valley, and the Mooselook. You can also visit our website at: <http://concordk12vt.org/>. Just click on "page directory" on our homepage and you can read it on your computer!

We hope you enjoy our newsletter and have a great weekend!

## **Upcoming Events at Concord School**

September 29 6:00-7:30 Open House at Concord School

September 30-Inservice-No School for Students

## Exciting Events at Concord School!

### Music News from Ms. Tobin

In Music class students have been talking about and listening to the instruments in Band. Students interested in learning an instrument this year should return the instrument choice form by Monday, October 3rd. Ms. Tobin will be in touch with parents and students about rentals. More information about the lesson program will be



### Physical Education News from Mr. Gallagher

#### Bike Loaner Program Through Local Motion

During the week of October 31, students will be working on bicycle skills. Bicycle equipment is being provided by the Local Motion loaner program. A first for Concord School, this exciting program will teach students about bike safety and provide them with the opportunity to improve their bike skills. More information about Local Motion can be found at the following website: <http://www.localmotion.org/education/bikeskillstraining/loanerprogram/943-after-school-bike-safety-fairs>

Mr. Gallagher will be sending more information as the event gets closer.



### World Language Club with Ms. Schott

A World Language Club has been authorized by the School Directors.

This club is focused on educational enrichment and will initially take place after school. This would allow students on-line access to a variety of languages. Interested students should contact Miss Schott in room 25, call her at school or email [suzanneschott@concordk12vt.org](mailto:suzanneschott@concordk12vt.org). More information will follow once the site license is secured.

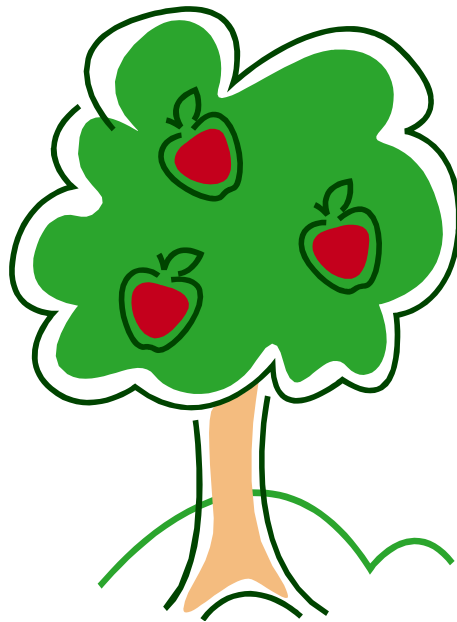
## From the Library

Come check out the many new books at the library. All the Award winning books have been ordered and most have arrived! Remember "Books Open the Door to Discovery"

## Kindergarten News from Mrs. Raynor

Kindergarten and first grade just recently went on a field trip to "Windy Ridge Apple Orchard". The students and adults enjoyed learning about how an apple grows and the correct way to pick an apple. It was a great day that we shared with students and family members.

Kindergartners have been learning how to read their classmates' names and how to write their own names. They love learning new words!



## Sports News

Girls Varsity Soccer won their first game, 3-0, against United Christian Academy! Their next game is today at Canaan.

## **Student Leadership**

This year the high school has disbanded Student Council and instead formed a group called Student Leadership. Student Leadership meets in the art room with the advisor, Mrs. Huntington, every Tuesday from 11:08-11:53. Any high school student who wants to contribute to planning events or improving the school can come to a meeting at any time, and does not need to be elected. We meet as a group to go over our goals and agenda for the meeting, and then break into committees.



## **Homecoming**

Student Leadership is hard at work with Mr. Link and Mr. Ely in planning a spirit week and homecoming for the Girls' Varsity Soccer team. Spirit week will involve high school students only on Monday through Thursday of next week (October 3<sup>rd</sup> through October 6<sup>th</sup>), but on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> every student is asked to show their school spirit by wearing our school colors of blue and white, or by wearing their uniform. We will have a school-wide pep rally on Friday afternoon, in which we'll send our Girls' Varsity Soccer players off with positive vibes for their game that afternoon against Rivendell (away, 4 p.m.); and also for their homecoming game the next day here in Concord against Whitcomb at 11 a.m.. Come support our team! During the game there will be a bake sale and raffle. Homecoming festivities will conclude Saturday (October 8<sup>th</sup>) night with a dance in the gym open to 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders from 7-11 p.m..

## **The Art Room**

All classes are well into their second and third art projects of the year in the art room. From the very beginning of the school year, most classes focused on learning how to use materials properly and on basic drawing and design units. Many classes have been learning or reviewing art vocabulary, and especially the Elements of Design (color, line, shape, value, texture, and space). Eighth graders just finished an outdoor unit based on the work of environmental artist, Andy Goldsworthy, in which they created non-permanent sculptures using only items from nature. Look for your child's artwork on the walls of the school—artwork was recently put up and it looks fantastic!

## Vermonters Helping Vermonters in Need

Concord School's National Honor Society created a bulletin board showing the flood damage that has devastated Vermont. They hosted a dress down day on Friday, September 23rd. Through their hard work and donations, Concord School raised over two hundred dollars for the Vermont Flood Relief Fund. More money is still coming in! We appreciate the donations to help out our fellow Vermonters.



### Junior Class Fundraiser!

The Junior class is having a fundraiser to raise money for their prom! They are selling popcorn through Popcorn Palace, starting on 10/3 for two weeks. Please contact a member of the junior class or Mrs. Flynn at ext 111 if you would like to help out their class and order some tasty snacks!