

Newsletter

November 2020



News From The Classroom

November was a busy month! We started it off with VINS with a lesson on pebbles and rocks and we ended it with turkeys and feeling thankful. We have continued our Second Step social emotional program and have been talking about our feelings this past month. The first week of December will be our remote learning week! After the holiday break we will talk about hibernation, the gingerbread man and we will also have a visit from VINS.

Board Meetings

December 9th
January 13th
February 10th
March 10th
April 14th
May 12th
June 9th



Travel

According to the Vermont Department of Health, all non-essential travel to and from Vermont now requires quarantine.

Anyone traveling to Vermont must quarantine. Please visit

healthvermont.gov for more information.

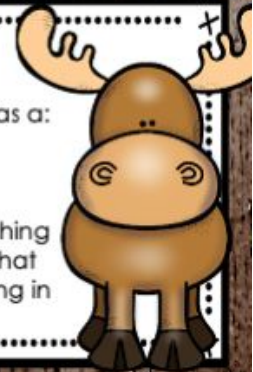


Outdoor Clothing

Colder temperatures have arrived. Please be sure that your child has a:

- Jacket
- Hat
- Mittens

We would rather have too much clothing than not enough. All clothing should be labeled with your child's name. Also be sure to check that your child has a complete extra set of appropriate seasonal clothing in his/her backpack.



Hartland Cooperative Nursery School

Zoom Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 11th, 2020

5:30pm -7:00pm

Present: Shawna Fox, Val Raney, Kayla Connolly, Heather White, Heather Vonada, Yujin Silver, Laura Percy, Shannon Aridgides.

Approve October Minutes

Motion to approve by Heather White. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Checking: \$7402.32

Investment: \$62,009.51

Savings: \$631.84

Recent expenditures include payments to the accountant, telephone bill, rent, IRA contributions, and director and officers insurance.

Currently, a loss of \$16,000 is showing. This is likely due to losses associated with reduced enrollment and payroll costs associated with July and August.

The invoices for school districts will be going out soon and are expected to post next month.

The question is posed again regarding staff interest in health insurance. Shawna will check with Catheryne about this and relay to Val.

Admissions Report

The application for a waiver through ACT166 was submitted and received. There will be a required plan of action throughout the timeframe of the waiver, if approved. The Universal Pre-K change form was also completed and school partners (WSESU) were notified. The waiver remains to be approved, as it is in progress. Val/Shawna to inquire more about the details of the waiver period and action plan guidelines.

One new registration appeared, but it was incorrect and removed/canceled.

2 new students began class at HCNS this month. There are now 10 students in the PM class and 15 in the AM class.

Director's Report

○ Snow days

WSESU builds snow days into the school calendar, however, HCNS did not build in any snow days to our calendar.

Snow days will not be remote learning days, so enjoy the snow!

○ Remote Learning Week After Thanksgiving

Shawna inquires about the expectation for remote learning for our students. Are there any requirements for universal pre-k programs?

Items suggested: Zoom meetings, activities, story time (virtual live and recorded)
Shawna will also reach out to our WSESU contact, Jennifer Sprague, about the school district's expectations during this week.

○ Parent/Teacher Conferences

Virtual meetings will be held the week of 11/16 Monday through Friday. You will receive the meeting link the day prior to your scheduled meeting. Please be on the lookout for these links!

○ (Holiday) Travel

With the holiday months coming up and increasing concerns for safety, please ensure that you and your family adhere to the state guidelines for travel.

Note: If you travel outside of Vermont for non-essential travel, you **MUST** quarantine for 14 days following.

If hosting for the holidays, quarantine is not required, but please be mindful of travel guidelines in these instances also.

Here is a link to the [Vermont travel Guidelines](#)

○ Shed

Two potential sheds were identified. The first is a 7'x7' for \$649 at Home Depot and the second is an 8'x6' for \$699 also at Home Depot. Each option would require a gravel floor to allow for proper drainage. Alumni families may be able to assist with this prep-work if needed. The next step will be to contact the Town Manager, Shawna will reach out by email. A location for the shed will need to be approved by

the town before proceeding with a purchase or prep-work. Shawna will propose a location in the woods.

o Variance update

Shawna's enrollment at CCV will need to be documented in order to submit the variance for approval. The paperwork has been reviewed by the school's licensure, Carrie Knight and appears to be verifiable. Class to start in January for the required course.

Operations Report

No update.

Fundraising Report

No Update.

Other Business

Discuss Open House at December Board Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm