



Community Newsletter

June 2024

Greetings CCCS Community,

Thanks for taking the time to review the final monthly newsletter for the 2023/2024 school year. You will continue to see the usual communications coming home over the next couple of weeks, but we will not be putting together another “official” newsletter. Returning families can expect to hear more about registration and upcoming events in the 2024/2025 school year over the summer, most likely in the first week in August.

I want to take a moment to share a number of “thank you”s. First, thanks to all the folks that volunteer here and there throughout the year—it makes a real difference. Big thanks to everyone who is able and willing to help with our fundraisers, in particular the annual Bronco Bash. Special thanks to all those that put so much time to make this event happen. We require these funds to do what we do here—next year I am going to try and help folks know better exactly what all that entails. Sticking with financials, I want to also say thanks to everyone who supported our school by voting for the local option levy. This community choice supports about 9% of our annual budget, and not passing this would have had a dramatic effect on our school.

Lastly, thanks to those folks who come to me with ideas, questions, and challenges. Although our community is small, we are a large group people who are going to have disagreements, misunderstandings, confusion, and questions - as well as ideas, hopes, dreams, and wishes. While we might not always agree or have the same priorities, there is a value and importance in having those discussions. I continue to encourage folks to see me directly with questions, comments, concerns, or simply to “talk education”.

Take care,
Dave

Important Links/Reminders

- ⇒ [Website and Calendar](#)
- ⇒ [Volunteer Form](#)
- ⇒ [Lunch Program](#)
- ⇒ [PCS webpage](#)
- ⇒ [CCCS Handbook](#)
- ⇒ [CCCS Facebook Page](#)
- ⇒ [CCCS Admissions Page](#)

Upcoming Dates:

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| June 2&3: | 5th grade end of year conferences |
| June 3: | Due date for library materials |
| June 4: | Principal Emery Torrey in charge |
| June 5: | Garden work party |
| June 7: | PBIS Assembly and <u>CCCS Talent Show</u> |
| June 10: | Step up Day (tentative) |
| | Financial Oversight Committee Mtng |
| June 11: | 8th grade promotion |
| | Kinder graduation |
| | 7th to Green Island |
| June 12: | Field Day—dress for activity |
| | Ice Cream with Coburg Police Dept. |
| June 13: | Last day of School—half day |
| | 5th Grade promotion |
| June 14: | Grading Day for Staff |
| June 17-19: | Report Cards and OSAS preliminary reports sent home |

Important MEDICATION PICK-UP message

All medications stored at the school must be picked up by Wednesday, June 19th.

We are required to properly dispose of all medication left behind for the summer, and we know some of them can be hard to get and/or quite expensive. Please contact the office to make arrangements for pick up.

Staffing updates

This time of year it is customary to have staff moving on to new opportunities and the chance to welcome new folks to our community. You have likely already heard this news, but here is a recap.

This season we are saying goodbye for now to Mr. Alan, Ms. Dillon, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Alvernaz. All four have served our school well and we wish them only the best.

Beginning this fall we will be welcoming Eva Miller to serve as our school counselor, Katelyn Owen to serve as our math specialist, Melissa St. Clair and Tatum Smith (CCCS alumni) to serve as educational assistants, and Donovan Vickers to serve as our technology coordinator.

If you are leaving...

Although every student has enrolled to come back in the fall, we know that some folks have a change in plans. We have a waitlist for each grade level, and the decision to choose our school has a profound effect on how a family coordinates their world—as we all know all too well.

We ask for your sincere consideration for other families such that you contact the school once the decision to make a different education choice for your child(ren) has been made. The earlier notice allows us to work through the waitlist and provide our new families more time for making the necessary arrangements.

Yearbook Orders: This year's memories will be captured in the CCCS 2023-24 yearbook. You can order yours at by visiting ybpay.lifetouch.com and using our Yearbook ID 47999457 before June 14th.

Some people like to know what is happening “behind the scenes” at the school, and others jump down to the pictures of the kiddos at the end—both are totally fine. In the interest of transparency and communication I’d like to share a couple key things each month with everyone. I encourage folks to join the [Board meetings](#), talk to a Board member, or contact me however suits you best if you have thoughts or questions.



Mission/Vision work:

The updated Mission, Vision, and Values work has been completed and approved, and we are thrilled to share that through a rigorous process we found that our ideals have held true. Below is the approved verbiage - please excuse the fact that I haven't yet made the time to put something together more spectacular than just the words - that is a summer project.

Our Mission

Coburg Community Charter School is a partnership amongst students, parents, teachers, and the community. Creating a small community school environment serves as the foundation for individual student success and character development; we believe a sense of belonging and community engagement are essential for student success.

Our Vision

Grounded in community, our students are inquisitive, life-long learners who are respectful, confident and are aware of how they belong and flourish in their community and the world.

Our Values:

We value belonging and community engagement made possible through strong partnerships amongst parents, educators, students, and our community.

We value integrity, curiosity, compassion, confidence, and respectfulness by prioritizing emotional intelligence and social awareness.

We value educator empowerment and creativity as primary influences in developing inquisitive learners.

Building & Grounds:

Discussions continue about the potential of updating the HVAC in the classrooms to include air conditioning and heat redundancy for our system. Currently we are waiting for feedback from 4J to determine whether or not this will be an allowable investment based on quotes we have received. If permitted (we lease the building, not own it), then the Board will have discussions and make a decision if we move forward on this project.





Free Chicks!



We have hatched chicks in 1st grade and school families get dibs! They are Easter chickens that lay blue eggs and Rhode Island Reds that lay brown and are notoriously good layers. If you are interested in taking them home, please email Mrs. Young at a.young@coburgcharter.org. :)

Start of the 2024/2025 School Year — Key Dates:

Open House: Thursday August 29, 4-6 pm

Students begin Wednesday, September 4th

**** Incoming Kindergarteners will join us for half-days in small groups the first Wednesday & Thursday (either AM or PM), and all Kinders will be together on the half day Friday, September 6th.**

**PSA: Lost and Found is overflowing
- pick up all items before the end of
year; left overs will be donated the
week of June 17th**



Summertime Events:

You will see emails coming from Katie Brushett, community/volunteer coordinator, about summer events in Coburg with which we are a part.

On the schedule already are the **Garden Work Parties**, which are held from 9:00 - 11:00 AM on June 19th, July 3, 17th, and 31st, and August 14th and 28th. You can also find these on our community calendar on our home page at coburgcharter.org

IMPORTANT LEGAL REMINDER re: MEDICATIONS

All medications must be stored in the Office area - absolutely no students should be in possession of any medications, including over the counter medications as common as aspirin or ibuprofen. We have forms to facilitate the process so that kids have access to whatever they need, but for safety's sake all medications must be secured in the office area.

CCCS Healthy Snack Corner



Quick Citrus Fruit Salad

Citrus fruit in the Northern Hemisphere peaks from December to April. Eating winter citrus naturally boosts mood (folate), immune system (vitamin C), improves digestion (fiber), and can satisfy sugar cravings. Want to give yourself or your family a boost? Try this medley of juicy, tart winter fruits with fresh mint and blueberries.

Ingredients: 1 red **grapefruit** + 1 **pomelo** + 1 **tangerine** + 1 **orange** + 2 **tangerines** + ½ cup **blueberries** + fresh **mint** leaves

Peel and slice all citrus fruit into rings. Layer rings & blueberries onto a plate or shallow bowl. Sprinkle with fresh chopped mint.

Serves 5.



Repeat from email: Volunteer and washer/dryer requests

Volunteers needed for mowing and trimming: please sign up using [this sign up link](#). We tried this last year and things kind of got lost in the shuffle. Since then we have had a few volunteers and occasional work by Mr. Wallace or Mr. Kyler. In short, sign up for a date and task, come by sometime over the weekend that works for you; if you'd like access to the garden shed (mower, trimmers, hand tools, etc) just let [Dave](#) and the [office](#) know and we will get you the code.

Need washer/dryer: CCCS has a washer and dryer here at school, mostly for cleaning materials, but occasionally for some clothes or wet shoes. Well, the washer and dryer (combo set) are starting to rust out and its about time to get them replaced. If anyone has a working set they'd like to donate please let [Dave](#) and the [office](#) know. We currently have a top/bottom combo, but there is room for any standard configuration.

Volunteers may be needed for summer painting: We are hoping to coordinate a painting crew for the gym, cafeteria, and maybe some bathrooms this summer. If you have the skills, and time, to help out please email [Dave](#) and the [office](#) with your availability.



Kindergarten — Ms. Dunmire

Happy May and June, everyone!

What a fantastic year this has been! We have been working so incredibly hard in Kindergarten and the kids are doing amazing. I am so proud of them!

This month, we focused on learning about ladybugs and insects - their bodies, lifecycles, and what they eat. Lots of read alouds and physical models to match up with our LIVE ladybugs! The Kinders have enjoyed watching them grow from egg to larva, to pupa, and finally, into very cute little yellow ladybugs. Kindergarten has also been learning about money, focusing on recognizing them and how much they're worth. We also learned a very fun song about money, ask a Kinder about it when you have a chance! We've done plenty of buddy time (including picnics), arts and crafts, enjoying the outdoors, Mother's Day projects, working on writing and sentence structure, spelling out words, answering word problems in complete sentences, and much much more.

For the rest of the short time we have together, we're focusing on creating memory books, creating Father's Day gifts, learning more about our community and ourselves, a field trip to the Adventure Museum to celebrate making it through Kindergarten, and Kindergarten Graduation during our last week together.

We can't wait!



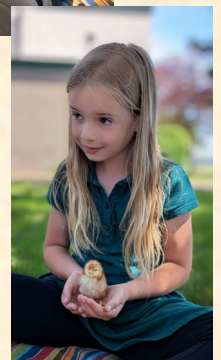
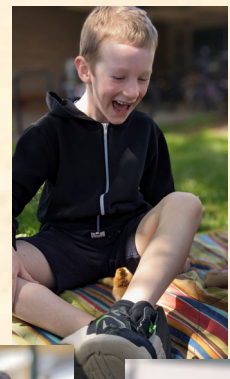


First Grade — Mrs. Young and Mrs. Boyum

It's been a Marvelous May in 1st grade! This month we wrapped up our plant unit by learning which parts of a plant we can eat (surprise - it's all of them!) and creating some beautiful flower art for the hallway. Students also got to work with a partner to choose and plant a start to care for in our school garden, and we moved our pumpkin starts out of the greenhouse to harden them off before we put them in the pumpkin patch!

May was also chick hatching month! Students learned all about chickens and became professional chicken farmers. They can tell you all about the parts of an egg, the life cycle of a chicken, and how a chick hatches (favorite class fact: they have an egg tooth that helps them break free!). The chicks just hatched the last week of May and the whole experience has been absolutely magical for our class.

We are cherishing the time we have left together. We are wrapping up the year with assessments, animal reports, some fun math review games, planting the school pumpkin patch, and creating a 1st Grade Memory Book that will be a special keep-sake. It truly has been an incredible year and we will miss this group so much!



Second grade — Ms. Smith

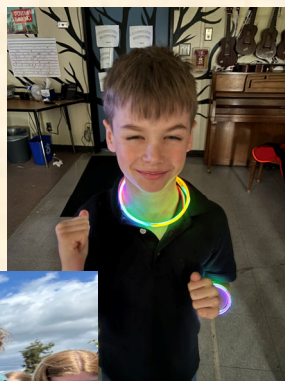
I can't believe we are starting the last month of school for the 2023/24 school year! 2nd grade has been working so hard and has grown so much over the past year. The last two weeks of school, we are reviewing mathematical and reading concepts that we've been covering this whole year as well as continuing some writing and social studies projects.

Throughout this school year, our class has been developing their writing skills and creating amazing work in the form of creative stories. I have been collecting their work and the class will be putting together an end of year writing booklet with some of their favorite pieces. They are all so excit-



Third grade — Mrs. Rutter

We are enjoying the last weeks we get to spend together! We have done tie-dye, released butterflies, planted in the garden, fun art with dish soap and spray paint, and presentations. In math the students have become experts at word problems and we will wrap up the year with some review of new concepts we introduced this year. In writing we are working on poems while finishing up narratives. In science we are building animal habitats and learning a lot in the garden. In social studies the students did a great job with Ancient Rome projects. We are finishing up lowercase cursive letters and will get to start capital letters. We talked about taking care of our mental health, and now we are talking about embracing differences in everyone.





Fourth Grade - Mrs. Sepulveda

What a busy month we had, but it was oh so fun! It's been great to have Mr. Jon Derby come in and teach us Junior Achievement lessons. These lessons are all about business in our region, being an entrepreneur, and problem solving. These lessons are critical to get our students ready for BizTown in 5th grade. We also got to participate in our long awaited wax museum. This is the end of unit project for our Medieval Europe unit. Students dressed up and represented certain people that we learned about throughout the unit. They gave speeches as those people in front of family, friends, and school mates. After the wax museum, they moved to the cafeteria to participate in a Medieval feast. This day is one of the highlights of fourth grade! Lastly, we were able to travel to the Oregon Zoo after completing a report and project on the animals found at our zoo. As always, the trip was a blast! For the few short weeks that we have left, fourth grade students are focusing on a research project on the National Parks. Students will research a park, create a project, and present it to the class. We'll also be doing some national park art as well. This is a fun end of year unit since 4th graders nationwide have access to free national park passes their fourth grade year. What a great year we've had!



Fifth Grade - Ms. Schneider

We are squeezing every last drop out of this school year. Studying Lane County's waste management and how plastics are a problem has been enlightening. BRING recycling helped us truly understand the importance of the "6 R's." We were thrilled to break up our spring benchmark testing with time in the garden, tie dying, and a picnic at Coburg park. We will finish out the school year studying measurement, writing an expository essay on US geography, and reading a novel of choice that relates to one of this year's themes. This wiggly bunch has made tremendous growth and I am proud of the scholars that they have grown into. Watching their motivation to become self-managers and learn to regulate has been heartwarming. Watch out middle school, here comes the class of 2024!



Sixth Grade - Mrs. DeRosia

Projects, field trips, and testing, oh my! 6th grade has had a busy May.

In ELA, we worked through a short story and completed our novel study on the Odyssey. Students enjoyed writing from the perspective of Odysseus as he went through his rather event-

ful journey! Then, we had fun being creative by putting on two Greek Mythology-themed reader's theaters to coincide with our social studies unit. We have some true actors in our class!

In Math, we wrapped up our final unit on algebra and inequalities. All that's left is to review all of the many mathematical concepts we've covered this year!

Social studies has been all about the long-awaited unit on Ancient Greece and Greek Mythology. Students chose a mythological figure to research and present to the class.

We also wrapped up all of our end of year testing and went on two field trips! Our first was to Newport where we got to explore the Oregon Coast Aquarium and go "slurp" for shrimp in the sand with the Hatfield Science Center. So much fun! Then, we went out to Pugh Seed Farm with our Aglink adopt a farmer program.

Whew! We are excited to finish out the school year with some reflection, art, and parties in June. Thank you all for an amazing year! On a personal note, I am so thankful for this class and community, and this school year will always hold a very special place in my heart!



Seventh Grade - Mrs. Epperson

7th certainly packed in a lot during the month of May. We visited our Adopt-a-Farmer Dick Severson to learn all about his cow-calf operation. He took us on a hay ride to see the newest calves, taught us about what it takes to care for calves and heifers, let us smell some haylage, helped all of the students brand a piece of plywood with his registered brand, and at the end of our trip his wife MaryAnn treated us with a few batches of her delicious cookies. We also held our fourth annual Arts and Starts fundraiser. Students made art, repotted plants, ran the cash register, helped with customer service, and with their help, we raised more than \$1600 for the school garden! The whole class went together to Green Island to learn about how to date trees using the tree's circumference and a formula based on the density of the particular type of tree. We dated some trees that were older than the good ol' USA! 7th has also started to build their electric vehicles in three categories: speed, art concept, and science concept. The winners of each category will be going to the Lane County Fairgrounds on June 6th to compete against students from Bethel, 4J, and Springfield school districts. I think we have a few contenders this year!

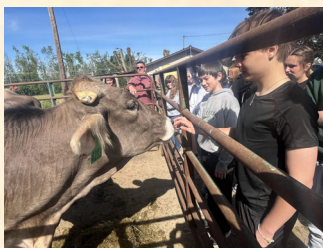


Eighth Grade - Ms. Monterrosa

It is said that all good things must come to an end. This rings so true for 8th graders here at CCCS. May is our 'wrappin' it up' month. In the beginning of the school year, 8th graders started their Mentorship project. This is where they chose an occupation they are interested in, found someone to shadow for 20 hours, and created a presentation to share with the community. We saw so many great projects: ski patrol, pilot, law enforcement, esthetician, and journalist to name a few. Students did an excellent job presenting! We also got to visit Harrold's Dairy, a farm 8th grade partnered with through Adapt A Farmer, Aglink. And of course, we have to throw in some extra FUN! Most came to the Spring Social (their last middle school dance); I just love to see students dressed up and having fun. We concluded our May with our end of the year class trip to Camp Dakota.

What a bittersweet month. In 2 weeks, we say goodbye to our 8th grade class of 2024.

Farewell and good luck to our future high schoolers!





COBURG COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL
LUNCH MENU FOR JUNE 2024, GRADE: 6-8

NAME:

GRADE:

TEACHER:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 BAKED ZITI \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	4 SWEDISH MEATBALLS \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	5 CHICKEN AND WAFFLES \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	6 3 CHEESE PIZZA \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	7
10 MAC N CHEESE \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	11 CRISPY CHICKEN SANDWICH \$4.75 MILK SALAD BAR	12 FREE LUNCH \$0.00 MILK SALAD BAR	13	14
17	18	19	20	21

Meal Manage Message (repeat from email)

- We cannot roll over student account balances from this year until next school year.
- We ask families to please closely plan and monitor their account balances during this last month so there is no/minimal account balance.

We ask families that have ongoing negative account balances to get those caught up this month or consider contacting Melodi Jayne, melodi.jayne@coburgcharter.org to complete a free/reduced lunch application.

- Due to the time investment and relatively low balances, CCCS is not going to be doing end of year refunds on account balances unless specifically requested in an email.

If needed, please send requests to business@coburgcharter.org and we can send you a reimbursement form

- Remaining balance amounts will go towards the general fund donations, which typically get spent on summer projects and supplies to get ready for the new school year

If you have any questions please contact Charity directly as she is our key point of contact at c.wright@coburgcharter.org

Meal Manage Resources

- [Access the Meal Manage Home Page for Parents Here](#)
- [Meal Manage Parent Guide](#)
- [Meal Manage FAQ](#)



Thank you to all of our Annual Sponsors!!













Coburg Community Charter School 2024/25 Calendar

July	M	T	W	TH	F			Jan.	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 Return 20 MLK Jr. Day 30 End of semester 31 Grading Day
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Aug.	29	30	31			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 27 Staff reports 		Feb.	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 PD Day 4 Start of 2nd semester 17 Presidents Day
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Sept	26	27	28	29	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Labor Day 3 Teacher prep 4 First Day 1-8, 4-6 5 First full day Kindergarten 		Mar.	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24-28 Spring Break
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Oct.	30					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 Professional Development Day 		Apr.	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 PD Day
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Nov.	28	29	30	31		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 Veterans Day 25&26 Parent/Teacher Conferences 27 PD Day 28-29 Thanksgiving break 		May	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26 Memorial Day
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Dec.	25	26	27	28	29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12/23 -1/3 Winter Break 		June	M	T	W	TH	F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 Last ½ day for students 13 Teacher grading day
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186 Teacher days								174 Student days						

School not in session		First/Last day of school	
No School: Professional Development Day	No School: Grading Day		Parent/Teacher daytime conference

After 3 Inclement Weather Days, the days will be made up in this order, schedule permitting: Feb. 17, April 18, June 13