

RICHMOND SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FROM PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:

RCS Community,

We had two wonderful concerts this week. The Concert Band and the 4th Grade Band were able to hold their first concerts in quite some time. Both bands performed wonderfully. The third and fourth grades took a hike in Kennedy Park in Lenox while the 6th, 7th and 8th grades spent a day at Art Omi in Ghent, New York.

We had our last COVID-19 pool testing this week. We are happy to report that all pools were negative for COVID-19. I want to thank the entire RCS community for your cooperation and patience as we worked through the challenges that COVID-19 presented.

As we approach the summer break, I would like to encourage all families and students to read regularly over the summer. Summer reading is essential for helping children maintain reading skills they have acquired, helps them to develop into lifelong learners, and expand their knowledge base. Please consider making regular trips to your local library or any other library in Berkshire County. Many libraries have summer reading programs and bring in great children's programs.

We look forward to seeing our 8th graders and their families Tuesday night for graduation at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Important Reminders

Mark your calendars for the first day of school for students for the 2022-2023 school year is Wednesday, August 31^{st.}

• Kiss & Ride — Pre-k & K—Be in line ready at 2:45 Grades 1-8—Be in line no earlier than 2:55

 Celebration Day-June 9 Dan Weston

6/14/22—8th Grade Graduation—6:30

6/15/222—Field Day

6/16/22—Last Day of School - Half Day

Monday, June 13 Chicken Parm Buttered Noodles	Tuesday, June 14 Hamburger on a roll	Wednesday, June 15 Foot Long Hot Dog on a roll	•	
Green Beans Fruit Sandwich: PBJ	(lettuce, tomato, pickle) Seasoned Potatoes Fruit Sandwich: PBJ	Fun Toppings Baked Beans Tater Tots Fruit Sandwich: PBF	Have a wonderful summer! Enjoy!! See you back Aug. 31st	This institution is an equal opportunity provider

LUNCHES ARE FREE per The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) who announced the extension of flexibilities to allow universal free lunch meals including beverage to be available to all children and teens **throughout the entire School Year 2021-2022**.

We encourage you to have your student try our delicious home cooked lunches.

Lost and Found is located on the stage in the cafeteria.



Click <u>here</u> to find the 2021-2022 Free and Reduced Lunch Application.

Sign up for "myschoolbucks" to track student snack purchases in real time.

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Town of Richmond If you suspect your child may have special needs and is three years old or older, please call the Special Education Director, Mary Shook, at 413-698-4001 to schedule an evaluation.

Richmond Consolidated School

1831 State Road Richmond, MA 01254 413-698-2207 413-698-3199(fax) Dan Weston, PRINCIPAL

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Kennedy Park—Grade 4



Kennedy Park—Grade 4







Musical Notes from Mrs. Mullen

We are winding down the school year with three instrumental music performances.

Jazz Band will play for Graduation, Tuesday, June 14 at 6:30 pm. <u>Please arrive</u> at 6:00 pm for warmups in the gym.

The dress code for graduation will be sort of formal and will be as follows: For the girls - dress/skirt and blouse/nice pants and blouse. No Jeans. Sneakers are fine, and other nice shoes are appropriate as well. For the boys - dress pants/ khakis/chinos with a button down shirt and a <u>tie</u>. Sneakers are fine, and other nice shoes are appropriate as well.

Please note that this dress code differs from Memorial Day and the Concert Band performance on June 8.

All are invited to attend!



The Annual Ice Cream Social is back!

PTA will be scooping SoCo with tons of toppings during an extended student lunch on Wednesday the 15th.

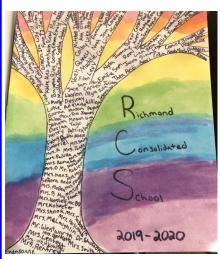
We NEED three volunteers to help serve ice cream from 11:45-1:30.

Please email <u>errinstraight@yahoo.com</u> and let Errin know if you are available to help.

This is the good old pre-pandemic ice cream social featuring SoCo chocolate and vanilla ice cream as well as a non-dairy option.

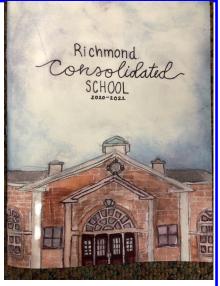
Dear RCS Families,

The 2022 Richmond Consolidated School yearbook is happy to report that we are filling this year's book with all the memories



and moments we can capture.

If by some chance, you have not purchased a



yearbook yet, please reserve your copy today! <u>HERE</u> is the link for online purchases, which can also be found on the RCS website homepage, OR a yearbook can also be purchased by sending in a check or cash to the office- a

yearbook order form is being sent home with students this week. The cost of the yearbook is \$22 and checks can be made out to RCS PTA.

We want to make sure everyone that wants a yearbook has one. Please know that we only produce yearbooks based upon those pre-ordered. Any that we happen to get above and beyond are on a first come first served basis so don't miss out!



Thank you for your time and attention!!

Ronna E. Zigmand Technology Teacher Richmond Consolidated School

Click <u>HERE</u> to preview this year's yearbook promo video.



Forthill Farm—Kindergarten



Visit to Grade k from Officer Derby and Winston





CALLING ALL NIGHT OWLS!

In this late-afternoon-into-evening camp for tweens and teens, we will:

Cook our meals in coals and flame Tell stories and sing around the campfire Hone our skills of stealth in the twilight Learn primitive survival skills Make crafts with natural materials Play Capture the Flag in the dark!

Come join us at Flying Deer Nature Center to explore and embrace the nighttime forest!







FLYINGDEERNATURECENTER.ORG

Ages 11-16

WEEK 1: August 8–11 (4 days: Monday–Thursday), 4:00–10:00 pm each day

WEEK 2: August 15–19 (5 days: Monday–Friday), 4:00–10:00 pm each day



Richmond Free Public Library 2821 State Road, Richmond, MA (413) 553-7795



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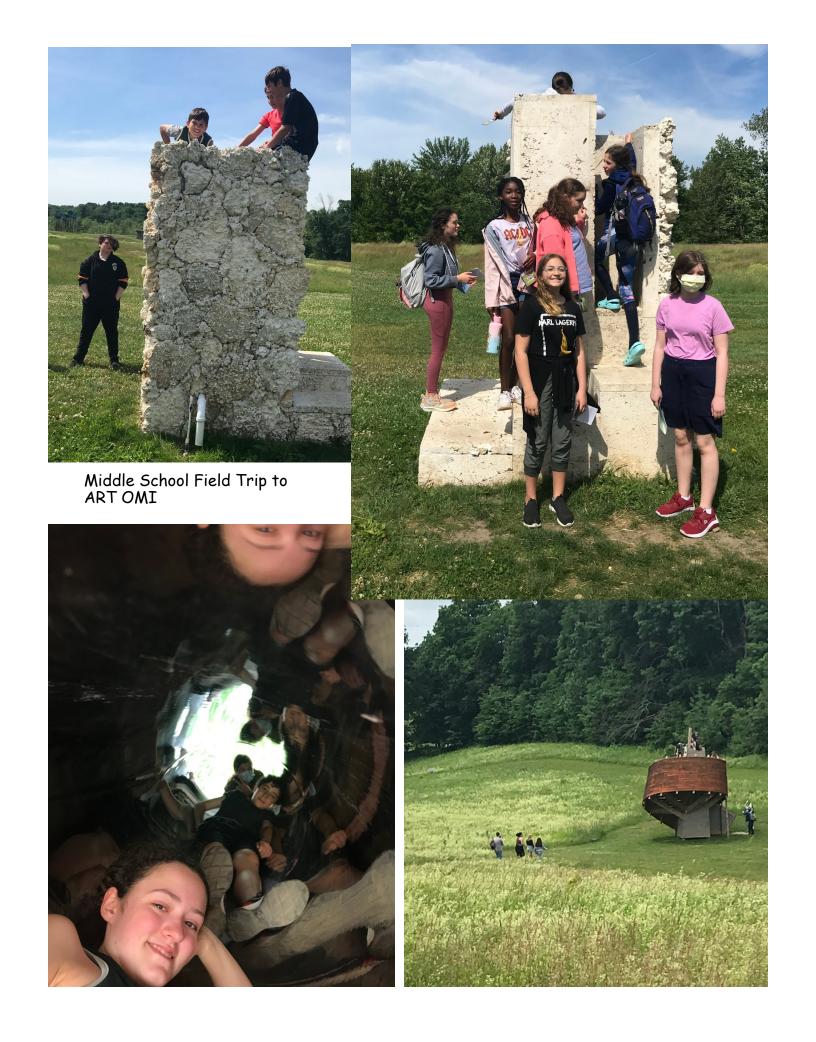
Animal World Experience Amazing Adaptations

On July 9th at 11:00AM



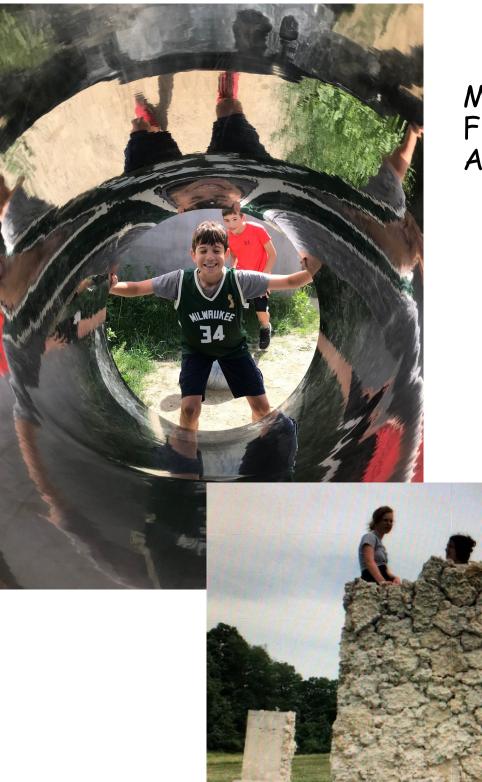
Animal World Experience specializes in exotic animals ranging from chinchillas to tree frogs. On July 9th, they're bringing some of their furry (and scaly!) friends to the Library. Almost all of the animals at Animal World Experience were rescued or adopted over the years.

Funded by the Richmond Cultural Council

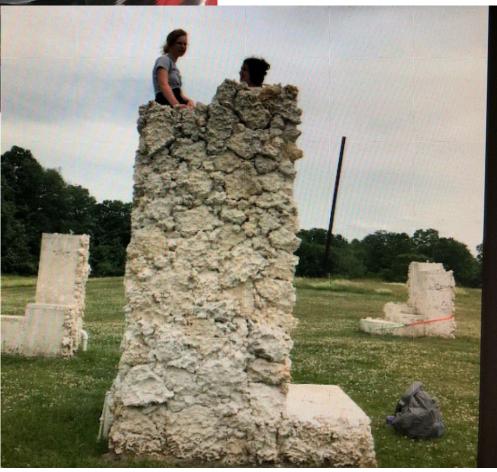








Middle School Field Trip to ART OMI



Grade 7— Having fun while learning to garden









A REFORM JEWISH SUMMER CAMP

EISNER DAY CAMP

- LOCATED IN GREAT BARRINGTON, MA



Campers 4-8 years old Age 4 by July 1, 2022 to rising 2nd grader

Week-long sessions: June 27 - August 12, 2022

Optional pick-up & drop-off service Financial assistance available upon request Attentive, caring and energetic staff!

Day Camp fun includes boating, swimming, farm, sports, crafts, drama, music and trip days!

413.528.1652 | eisnercamp.org | eisnerdaycamp@urj.org This program is neither sponsored or endorsed by Richmond Consolidated School



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AMING | Jul 18-22

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international faculty

Brianna Pope political strategist. organizer, writer

Elizabeth Glass writer, actor, director

Lucy Peterson political theorist, organizer, educator

Marvin González political strategist, organizer

Nathaniel Madison historian, educator

Radhya Kareem architect, urbanist, poet

Yashfeen Talpur architect, art educator

programme directors

Colin Eubank political theorist, educator

Sara Mugridge social worker, educator



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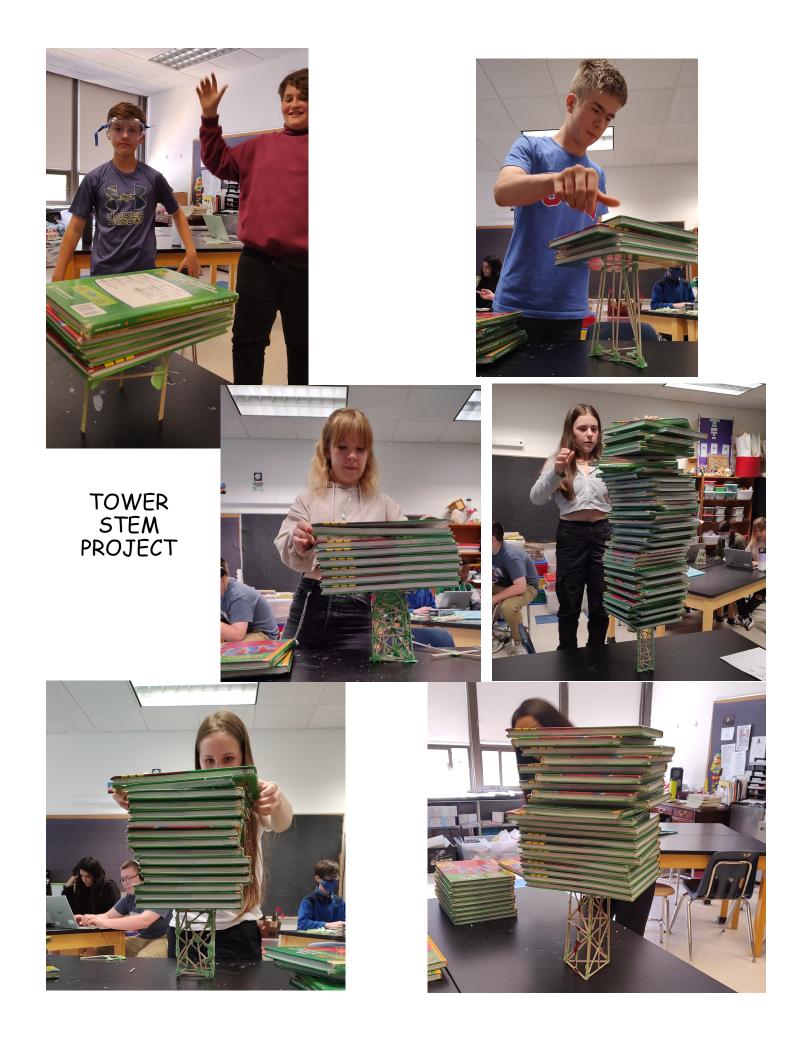
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Aug 1-5 multiple cohorts | ages 9-21 invited to apply | virtual | 440€/week | 1600€/full prog.

financial aid available info@gcas-jehan.org

It's time for an education in the political arts. The Jahān curriculum in the "political arts" or principled political practice in the present, includes arts of 1 belonging, believing, relating, witnessing, narrating, truth-telling, suffering, remembering, caring, healing, resisting, imagining, dreaming envisioning, building, questioning, troubling, leading, inspiring, speaking, listening, claims-making, framing, communicating, connecting, collaborating, sustaining, organizing, and more. Contrary to the cynical and status-quopreserving ideas of "ars politica" that span manipulation, diplomacy, political games, court intrigues, propaganda and such, what we call political arts denotes practices of survival and mutuality inherent to

contemporary political experience.





ART OMI— Middle School

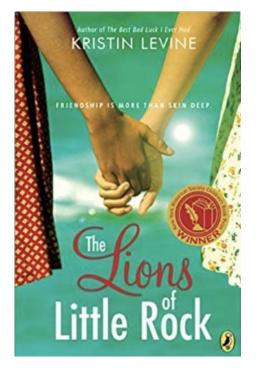




Grade Six will enjoy an author visit with Kristen Levine on Monday!



Thanks to generous funding from the PTA





Grade 6 -8 Concert Band



Grade 4—Band Concert





Located At Berkshire Country Day School, 55 Interlaken Rd On The Beautiful Brook Farm Campus Route 183 Stockbridge, Massachusetts

46th YEAR IN CAMP WORK

7 WEEKS - 3 SESSIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 412 SESSIONS: 1) JUNE 27 - JULY 15 2) JULY 18 - JULY 29 3) AUG 01 - AUG 12

EXTENDED CAMP HOURS!!

Monday - Thursday, 3PM-5PM - \$20 per day "See our Extended Camp Application for more details

Cost SESSION 1-\$750

1-\$750 SESSION 2 OR 3 OR ANY TWO WEEKS-\$650 WEEKLY-\$400 DAILY-\$100 SEASONAL-\$1,650

(SEASONAL RATE ONLY FOR CAMPERS THAT DESIGNATE SEASONAL STATUS PRIOR TO ENTERING)

*A 10% REDUCTION FOR SEASONAL RATE FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLING ATTENDING. **ALL CAMP FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO OR UPON ENTERING CAMP. ALL TRANSACTIONS ARE FINAL **ENCLOSE \$50 DEPOSIT WITH THIS APPLICATION FORM FOR EACH CAMPER**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

MAL TO: Richard Lenfest 705 Fairview Street Lee, MA 01238 email: rplenfest@roadrunner.com www.EdenHillSummerDayCamp.com

You can also fill out our application form AND pay with a major credit card all online at wron.EdonHillSuramorDayCamp.com Application Form - 2022

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Director

Richard Lenfest (BS, in Physical Education and a M.ED, in Administration) retired addictic diversor at Lee High Subsection lought and coached in public solution for 38 years. In 1992 he was element to the Massachusterts Baseball Couches Hall or Forme.

General Information

Camp Hasar - ----- Monday durough Thursday, 9am dpm ≫NEW THIS YEAR - early drop off is farm Friday 9ath 12 non-please be primpt at pick up time * NO CAMP ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH (Pederal Holiday) *EXTENDED CAMP HOURS! -Monday through Thutsday, 3pm-5pm -See Extended Camp application for signup and more information

Hams Passo----413-243-2686

Snock & News Reason-Campus will be given find for a morning snack.

-Each comper will bring his/her snack & hurch. (Non-perishable as no refrigeration)

-Campers should bring their own water bottle,

-We are peanet free so piesse no permit productal

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1209-----An informative letter will be mailed to each parent after application to made. "Been Hill Summer Day Camp is in compliance with regulations of the Ma. Dept. Of Public Health and is licensed by the loca" Board of Health

Facilities

- Condeer swimming Contined lifeguard on duty at all times.
- A superb gynnaaiusu for basketball, dance, games, and etc. 2.)
- 3.) Beartiful fields for baschali, softball, soccer and various other lead up gemes.
- Superb outdoor play equipment, 4.)
- 5.) Locker rooms for buys and girls,
- б.) Picnic area
- 7.) Hilong trails
- 8.) Arts & crafts room
- 9.) Indoor games
- 10.) Viden recorder for miny day movies,
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Richmond Reads!

4 Tuesdays in July!! (July 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th) 10:00am-11:00am Richmond Library 2821 State Road/Richmond



*Join South Berkshire Kids at the Richmond Library for a storytime and craft! This parent-child program is free and open to the community! Best for families with children ages 2-8.



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Sheffield Play

Bushnell-Sage Library 48 Main Street, Sheffield Every Tuesday @ 10:30am-11:30am Starts March 8th!

*Join us for this fun parent/child playgroup at the library. This program will include free play, songs, literacy and learning activities. This program is free and open to the community. No registration is required, drop in! Best for families with children ages birth to 5. Masks will be required inside the library.

Questions? Contact Jess: southberkshirekids@gmail.com



MASSACHUSETTS Department of Early Education and Care

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45th SHAKESPEARE & COMPANY Riotous YOUTH

SUMMER THEATER PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS 7-17 TUESDAY, JULY 5 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

ONE-WEEK SESSIONS July 25-August 19 | \$425 For Students Ages 6-12

IN THE WILD & WHISPERING WOODS

A fast-paced, one-week exploration of Shakespeare's characters as they encounter all manner of unexpected hijinks, love, and mysterious creatures in the woods, using text from *As You Like It, A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *The Winter's Tale*.

TWO-WEEK SESSIONS July 5-August 12 | \$800 For Students Ages 7-15

These programs incorporate voice, movement, and acting to allow students to explore Shakespeare's text emotionally, physically, and intellectually, culminating in a performance-piece based on their experiences. This year, students will work with text from *Much Ado About Nothing, Macbeth*, and *The Tempest*.

THREE-WEEK SESSIONS August 1–19 | \$925 For Students Ages 13–17

This three-week, advanced program called Riotous Company is designed to provide actors heading into 9th – 12th grade the next step in their training. Students who have participated in Riotous Youth for at least two sessions or have equivalent experience in other Shakespeare & Company Education programs may apply. Classes include ensemble building, voice, movement, clown, fight, and acting, culminating in scene-performances chosen specifically for each participant.

To ensure the health of our Shakespeare & Company community, all Riotous Youth and Riotous Company participants who are vaccine eligible must be vaccinated against COVID-19.











shakespeare.org/riotous-youth

To learn more, apply, and access necessary program forms, visit shakespeare.org/riotous-youth.

For more information, contact Education Programs Administrator Megan Marchione at mmarchione@shakespeare.org or (413) 637 1199, ext. 172.