

RCS NEWSLETTER

March 26, 2021

Dear Richmond Consolidated School Families,

The spring weather has lifted the spirits of students and staff alike. We have set up tables for outside dining, weather permitting, for both snack and lunch. Some classes are being held outside. We are planning on taking advantage of our outdoor spaces as the weather improves

Sincerely,

Rob Putnam

Letter from RCS School Committee Chairman, Dewey Watt

Dear Richmond School Community:

It is with mixed emotions that I have decided to not pursue another term on the School Committee. To say the least, this was not an easy decision. I have truly enjoyed the opportunity to work closely with so many who work hard to provide enriching experiences for Richmond students. But, after many years on the committee, I need to commit more time to family, health, and work.

At the Town Caucus, Kimmie Lecco was nominated for the open seat so she will be on the May ballot.

I wish the new and current committee members the best after the term. I look forward to remaining an active community member, and supporting the education of Richmond students. Our town and school successes are a result of a strong

cooperative and collaborative spirit. Let's all continue to look for ways to keep that alive.

Thank you.

Dewey Wyatt

UPDATES

- Registration for Pittsfield girls lacrosse is now open <http://berkshirlacrosse.leagueapps.com/> Teams are available for grades 1-8. Practices are expected to begin mid-April. All teams have limited capacity, register early to reserve your spot. For more info contact Jeff Murray at jrmurray11@yahoo.com.
- Next Saturday, April 3, there will be a grab n' go pancake breakfast at RCS in support of the Richmond Fuel Fund in conjunction with the town clean up (more to come on this). Julia Sabouin jsabourin@richmondconsolidated.org is looking for 8-10 volunteers who are willing to help hand out the grab n' go breakfasts boxes after they come out of Tammy's kitchen. Please let her know if you are able to help.
- On Tuesday, March 30 author Kristen Levine will join the 6th graders as they finish her book The Lions of Little Rock. She will read the final chapter with the students, and then answer questions about the book and the writing process. Ms. Levine will also meet with the 8th graders to answer questions about the historical context of their class novel, Warriors Don't Cry. Both visits are a follow-up to the visit Ms. Levine made before students read both of these novels. These visits were made possible through PTA funding.
- IS 183 Art School Brochure is attached to this email.
- Monument Mountain Enrollment: Procedure to enroll your child to attend MMRHS next fall: Complete the attached forms, along with a copy of your child's immunization records to becky.campetti@bhrsd.org or fax to (413) 528-8509. After our new school year is created in our software Becky will enter your child and send you your child's Guidance Counselor's e-mail to set up a registration appointment. See attachment.

- The Kindergarten and the 4th grade class both worked on making pictures, cards, and writing letters to honor one of the living Medal of Honor Recipients on National Medal of Honor Day (which was March 25th.) More info about this special day is here. Janine Stange ("American Anthem Girl") works on this "Mail call" celebration each year. This year we were assigned Robert F. Foley, who was born in Massachusetts. For more information about him and his service, you can go to: https://mohmuseum.org/medal_of_honor/foley-robert-f/ Below is a picture of some of the student's work.

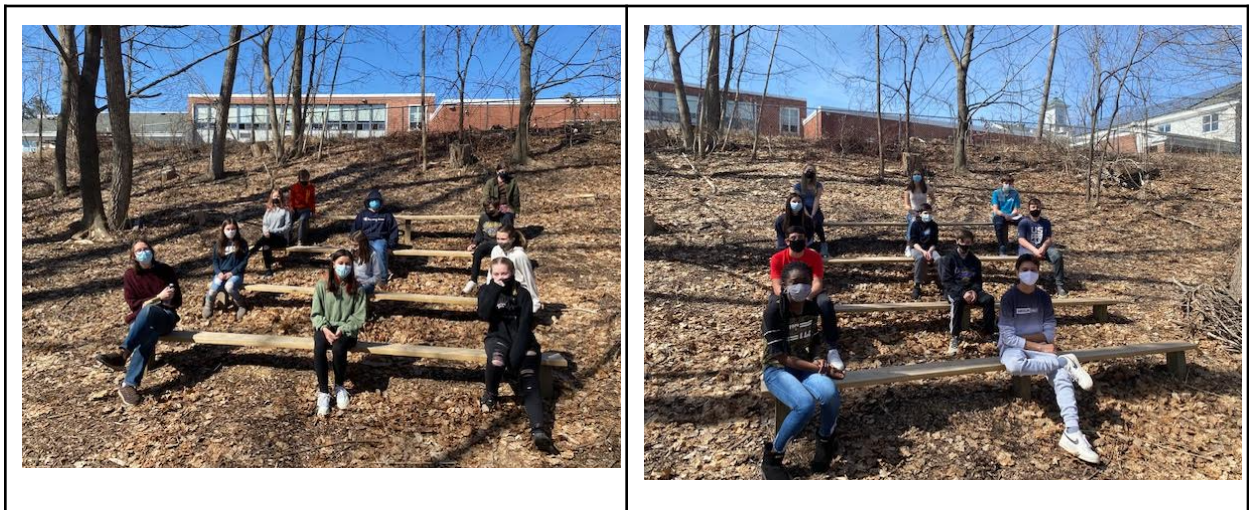


- The school calendar for 2020-21 and 2021-22 is available here: <https://www.richmondconsolidated.org/school-calendar>
- Monday, March 29, 2021 RCS Middle School March Poetry Madness: -The Final Showdown: "The Raven" versus "The Rose that Grew From Concrete"
Who will win March Poetry Madness? Tune in on Monday!

- Round 13 Winner: "The Rose that Grew from Concrete" by Tupac (Emi, Chantel, Noah A., Giselle, Lillie, and Sofia move to the next round!)
- Round 14 Winner: "The Raven" by Edgar Alan Poe (Noah S., Jack, Noah A, Lorelei, Sophia, Jay, Ava, Ellie, Lulu, and Tessa move on to the final showdown!)

VIRTUAL TOUR OF RCS

Poetry class in the outdoor classroom. The advantages of spring.



5th GRADE PROJECT LITERATURE PROJECT DISPLAYED IN HALLWAY

The 5th grade student creativity on display.

