



Celebrate the Children

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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A very special thank you to all those who attended, supported or sponsored our annual benefit celebration on Friday, March 27, 2015.

Our derby-themed event was a huge success and so much fun!

Thanks to you and your support, Celebrate the Children was able to raise a little more than \$20,000.00 and was awarded a total of \$12,500.00 in additional grants at the event! Thank you to the CTC Foundation for presenting a \$10,000.00 check on behalf of an honored donor and the Giving Hope Network for awarding CTC with a \$2,500.00 gift!

Please visit our website or Facebook page to see more photos from the event!



A PEEK INTO THE PROGRAM STUDENT & FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

SFSS will be hosting its third informational Parent Training Group on Specific Strategies to Use with your Child. This will be held on April 30th at 10 am in our Music Room. Parents will have not had to have attended previous sessions to attend. This session will also include a Parent Panel. If you are interested in attending please contact: Jennifer Mandato at jmandato@celebratethechildren.org.



A PEEK INTO THE PROGRAM FC DEPARTMENT



In March, Daniel Orlievsky, a psychologist from Argentina, visited CTC. He has been working for over 15 years with nonverbal children, adolescents and adults with autism and other developmental disorders. He has developed a program using independent typing as a way to increase communication and language production in his patients. This week Lisa Romaine had the wonderful opportunity to visit Buenos Aires to meet his teams firsthand and see his programs in action. It is our hope that we can replicate his work at CTC in the near future. We look forward to her return to learn if there are other ideas that we can put into place, here at CTC, to increase our students independent communication abilities.



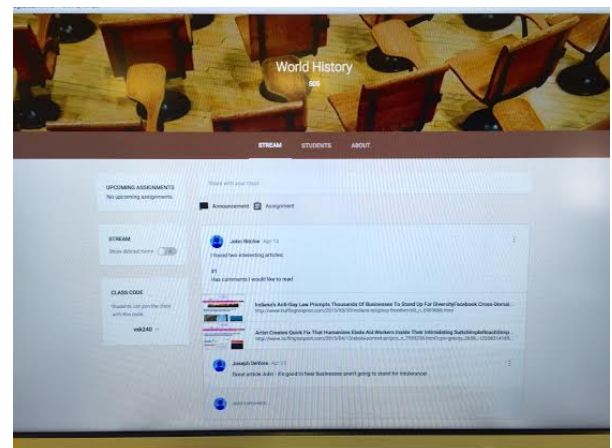
A PEEK INTO THE CLASSROOM JAMIE'S CLASS

This month in science, Ms. Jamie's class has been busy learning about rocks and how they are made of different combinations of minerals. We are also learning about the three categories of rock and how they are formed. The students enjoyed being able to see and feel the different rocks, their colors and textures. We took the time to really discuss what they looked like and how they felt, as well as how they form over time. The students have enjoyed several experiments to see how the rocks can change and form over time.



A PEEK INTO THE CLASSROOM JOE'S CLASS

Google Classroom has arrived!! Mr. Joe's World History S05 class has finally entered the new age of paperless education! Through Google Classroom, students will now have the opportunity to complete assignments, create assignments, and post projects all without a piece of paper. GC also allows the students and teacher a venue to provide feedback and comments instantly! Each student has his/her own GC identification where students can post their Current Event articles with videos and have discussions prior to class. It also provides accountability for the students in completing and checking assignments and posts for the teacher can now keep tabs through the classroom. Parents can also go to the GC link, <https://classroom.google.com/c/OTyZODQ4OFpa>, and see what's going on in class.



TEEN NIGHT SPONSORED BY PEAK

Saturday night out for Middle School and High School teens in grades 6-12. Music, movies, games and lots of snacks. Hang out with friends and, most of all, have fun!!

Date: Saturday, April 25th

Time: 7-9 pm

Cost: \$5 per teen

Location: Mt. Olive Senior Center

For more information and to register, please email kellya@peakgroup.org



NYC PANASONIC TRIATHLON



Celebrate the Children is excited to be participating in the New York City Panasonic Triathlon as a Charity Partner, this year in July.

Each year, thousands of athletes brave the waters of the mighty Hudson River before biking along Manhattan's West Side highway. Finally, athletes put on their running shoes for a run through New York's famed Central Park in the final stage of this iconic race.

Currently, we are recruiting athletes to be on our team! If you are interested in participating (or know someone who might be) and raising money for your favorite school, please contact Jenna Hammond (jhammond@celebratethechildren.org).

To learn more about the NYC Panasonic Triathlon, please visit <http://www.nyctri.com/>

THE QUEST FOR THE TABLET



Save the date! Our Spring Concert, *The Quest for the Tablet*, will be held on Wednesday, June 17th. *The Quest for the Tablet* is an underwater and worldwide adventure where Jacques Cousteau's scientific team of scuba divers encounter Ghost Pirates. They all are in a race to find the secret tablet pieces that are hidden in various parts of the world.

Students have been working hard writing the script for the concert this year and are very excited about the upcoming show. This is sure to be the best concert yet.... very original. Additionally, we secured a new location to have the concert, Baker Theatre in Dover, NJ. The theatre has a balcony, a huge stage and seats 1200; come one, come all!

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 22nd
Prep Club
6:00pm

April 22nd- May 13th
RDI Parent Training

April 25th
Teen Night
Mount Olive PEAK
Mount Olive Senior Center
7:00-9:00pm
Reservations Required:
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April 30th
Parent Training Group

May 1st
Talent Night
7:00pm
Reservations Required

May 9th
Special Olympics
Hackettstown High School

May 13th
Walk-A-Thon & Field Day

May 22nd
Prep Club
6:00pm

May 27th
Prep Club
6:00pm

June 11th
Speaker Series
Transportation
7:00pm

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Spring Concert
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