

# Celebrate the Children

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### Back To School Night Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Back to School Night/ 911 Memorial/ Charity BBQ/ Beach Bash
- Eagle Scout Tyler
- Classrooms
- Upcoming Events

#### 9/11 Memorial



CTC students and staff participated in our Annual 9/11 Memorial Monday. Students sang songs, shared kind words and planted a lovely rose bush in front of a backdrop of flags and decorations created with love.

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Saturday was a lovely day for a **Charity BBQ!** Special thanks to Shane McBride from the Balthazar Restaurant and his team for providing all of this delicious food! Special thanks to the Do/Rickles family for donating this event! Shout out to Harbor Hills Day Camp for hosting!



**Celebrate the Children** and the **Profectum** Foundation were thrilled to be a part of the annual Beach Bash! Some of our students had a great time surfing. Woo hoo!



## CONGRATULATIONS TYLER

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Many CTC staff members joined student, Tyler Johnson, at his Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony this summer. We are so proud of your accomplishments, Tyler!



## A PEAK INTO THE CLASSROOM DEBBIE'S CLASS

Debbie's class has acclimated well back to CTC and jumped right back into the swing of things. We started the month off by participating in our annual September 11th Memorial Ceremony. In doing so, we exercised our visual-spatial skills by making and assembling puzzle pieces to create a large American flag in honor of the heroes and victims who lost their lives that day.

Next, we designed our own Pokémon characters and identified their special powers and weaknesses. We made a bulletin board display out of them entitled, **Gotta Catch EM ALL!!!** Then, we also designed unique Locker Graffiti posters to brighten up our lockers.

We also read the story, *Lost in Death Valley* and discussed the importance of learning survival skills in the event we ever get lost. We made S.O.S. and HELP signals outside on the ground to simulate what transpired in the story and make a personal connection to the story theme.

Lastly, our class took part in an Egg/Spoon Race. The Grand Prize Winner just so happened to be the Master Champion himself, Trent who won a special prize. A good time was had by all and everyone received a trophy for participating.



## A PEAK INTO THE CLASSROOM JACKIE D'S CLASS

As a kick off to CBI (Community Based Instruction), on Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup>, Mrs Jackie, Ms. Sam, and Ms. Nikki's classes enjoyed a morning of "get-to-know-you" & team building activities & games together. Playing games is an effective way to demonstrate and teach leadership skills to children, which helps to promote the growth of trust and problem-solving skills in groups. Games also demonstrate a process of thinking about experiences that helps children learn & practice responsibility. There are countless skills that students can develop such as critical thinking skills, creativity, teamwork, and good sportsmanship.

The students had fun participating in activities such as tug of war, snow cone making, and relay races. A staff member even dressed up as a turtle for the "squirt the turtle" game! The morning was a success as the students interacted, meet new friends, connected with old friends, and had a blast!



## A PEAK INTO THE ART PROGRAM MARY BETH'S CLASS

### News from the Art Room

We start another great year in Art. This year's theme is Contemporary Art. All the artists we will study for inspiration are currently working and ....yes living. Our first projects are based on maps. Maps have many social, political and practical meanings and uses. All classes are using maps to create collages and paintings. We start off the year with our traditional first project; self- portrait .....using maps! Artists we are learning about include Joyce Kozloff, who creates paintings and collages of maps and Matthew Cusick who creates collages made solely of cut up maps.





## Upcoming Events

### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 PM

### Let's Create Art Studio

#### OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>  
2-5 PM

Art Show, Live Music, Light  
Refreshment and Goodie Bags  
for Children

Ribbon Cutting at 3  
106 Broadway, Denville  
973-299-0633  
www.LetsCreate.com

### Autism Speaks Walk

Greater Morris Area Walk, Morristown, NJ  
**Saturday, October 08, 2016**

Join us on Saturday, October 8th, as we walk along Sunrise Lake, Lewis Morris Park, to help raise funds to support vital research and top-quality programs that are changing the future for those who struggle with autism.

**Activities Begin: 10AM**

**Walk Start: 12PM**

## SAVE THE DATE

### Benefit/Gala

March 11 @ 7pm  
Meadow Wood Manor,  
Randolph, NJ

### Clothing Drive

October 21st

### Bowl A Thon

December 3, From 11-1  
Circle Lanes  
Ledgewood, NJ



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