

# NEWSLETTER



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## UPCOMING DATES

November:

1st-16th- Food Donation Drive  
8th- We are open Election Day  
11th- No School, Veterans Day  
12th- Savers Fundraiser  
15th-16th- Hop-A-Thon  
16th- Papa Gino's Dining Night  
22nd-23rd- Thanksgiving Day  
Concert; 9:30 Big Hall  
23rd- Half Day for all students  
24th-25th- Thanksgiving Break  
No School



2016-2017

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## November Holiday School Closures:

The Co-Op will be closed

November 11th for Veterans Day.

We will be open for a half day on Wednesday, November

23rd and closed November 24th and 25th for

Thanksgiving.

**Please remember we  
are a nut free school.**



*The Staff and Board would like  
to wish all of our Co-Op  
Families a happy and safe  
Thanksgiving Break!*



# Letter from the Director

Dear Families,

October was a busy month here at school!! The beginning of the month we were able to visit with Ruth Scrouin and the Traveling Barnyard then the Chelmsford Fire Department came by for a visit during our all school assembly and talked the children about fire safety and even helped us practice a few techniques. When they were done, they invited the kids to sit in the Trail truck! If that wasn't enough, we finished the month with Halloween celebrations! Thank you for making our parades so special for the children. A good time was had by all.

November is looking to be a busy month as well. To kick off the month, we will have our Hop - A- Thon! Thanksgiving week, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Co-Op style with a all school feast. We will be hosting a Thanksgiving parade (much like the Halloween parade) on November 22 and 23 at 9:30 for the parents . Each teacher will be looking for specific food items to be brought in on those days, so keep an eye out for emails and postings.

Each year the Co-Op looks forward to spreading holiday cheer to the local families who are less fortunate. This Thanksgiving, we will hold our second annual can drive! We would like to collect at least 100 canned or boxed goods to donate to the Chelmsford Food Pantry. Please bring in your donations November 1-16<sup>th</sup> . There will be a box for items at the hallway entrance.

In December we will also have a giving tree available for those who would like to purchase items for local families and make a child's Christmas a little brighter; we would appreciate any help that you can offer! Stay tuned for dates and times!!

We will be closed Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday November 23<sup>rd</sup> is a **HALF DAY FOR FULL DAY CHILDREN**. All children will be dismissed at 12. Looking ahead to December-

On Tuesday and Wednesday, December 22&23 we will have our annual Holiday concert in the Big Hall at 9:30 am. The children will perform a variety of holiday songs and then return to their classrooms to have a special snack with their friends.

**There will be a HALF DAY for the FULL DAY CHILDREN on the 23rd.** At the conclusion of school on December 23<sup>rd</sup> we will begin our winter break and school will reopen January 3, 2017!!

When we return in January, we will begin the registration process for the 2017-2018 school year. On Jan 3 & 4 I will begin accepting registration forms. Currently enrolled children and their younger siblings have priority for next year's registration. **Please return your forms ASAP as we will open enrollment to the public February 1!!!**

We have been very fortunate with the weather thus far, however it will soon be very cold and I would like to remind you to be sure that your child comes to school with a **LABELED** hat, mittens, snow boots, snow pants and jacket. I cannot stress enough how much we appreciate labeled clothing. It makes the teachers and the parent helper's job much easier when trying to get the children dressed and undressed. We will go out if the temperature is 32 degrees or above and the ground is free of ice.

In the event of snow, we will cancel school based upon the town of Chelmsford closings. If public school is canceled because of the weather we will close as well. If Chelmsford has a delay, our HALF day program will cancel but our FULL day program will follow the delay for Chelmsford. Please watch any of the news channels carefully for Chelmsford Public's announcement. I will send an email as well.

Thank you for all of your continued support!

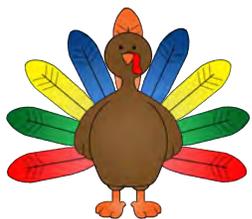
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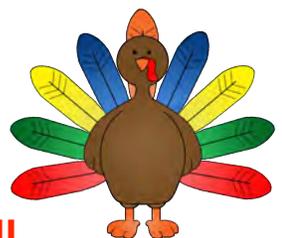
THE CO-OP 100  
ACCEPTING DONATIONS  
NOVEMBER 1-16th  
ONE CAN  
CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



The Co-Op is accepting gently used costumes for the Creative Room.



Please Join Us for the Co-Op's  
Thanksgiving Concert



November 22nd and 23rd at 9:30 am in the Big Hall



Shaving Cream  
Small Baggies  
Clorox Anywhere Spray  
Smocks Washed  
Brown Paper Bags  
Ziploc Gallon Baggies  
Latex Free Gloves

Lysol Spray  
Clorox Wipes  
Bleach  
Dixie Cups  
Paper Towels  
Foam Hand Soap  
Toilet Bowl Cleaner

**For individual teacher donations, check out their Amazon Wish Lists here!**  
**[https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/302PD4DGAKSSZ/ref=cm\\_wl\\_rlist\\_go\\_v?](https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/302PD4DGAKSSZ/ref=cm_wl_rlist_go_v?)**

## OCTOBER'S ALL SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



This month the children were visited by the Chelmsford Fire Department to learn about fire safety! They got to learn about stop, drop, and roll, stay low and go, and got to see what a firefighter looks like when dressed in their gear! Each child received a "Don't Fear Firefighters in Gear" Activity Booklet with some great tips you can do at home to promote fire safety! Things we can teach our children is to call 9-1-1 in an emergency, create and practice a family fire escape plan, and to create awareness of dangerous situations!

## The Giving Tree



Each year, the Co-Op participates with the town to provide local families in need with holiday gifts. In the upcoming weeks, tags with requested items will be available for families to take. Keep an eye out for more information on how to help!

# A Letter from the VP of Fundraising

Happy November, Co-Op families!

We have so much to be thankful for this month—our children and loved ones, the dedication and creativity of our teachers, the commitment of our leadership and volunteers, and the overwhelming generosity of YOU! We're pleased to share that our Yankee Candle and Fit & Fresh fundraisers brought in just over \$2,120 net combined (\$1,666.00 and \$454.40, respectively). That puts us on plan to replace all the carpeting in the creative room thanks to all your hard work. As you've seen, Yankee online orders are available to January, so you can still get in some easy holiday shopping to be delivered right to your door. Deliveries already placed will be sent to the school for distribution before Thanksgiving.

Speaking of a little holiday shopping, don't forget to access our affiliate Amazon shopping site this season to have a proceed of all sales gifted back to the Co-Op at no additional cost to you. Just bookmark it to log in at [www.centralcoopshop.com](http://www.centralcoopshop.com). It will look just like your usual Amazon shopping experience, but the access site automatically allocates a portion of sales to our credit.

As we hop towards the holidays, our little ones will be hopping along at this year's Hop-a-Thon, November 15th and 16th during class. The labeled mailers are coming back and we're processing donations every day. Thanks in advance to our parent volunteers that will be counting our little ones bounce along!

Supporting the Co-Op this month is easy as pie—pizza pie, that is. After the little ones work up an appetite from all that hopping, come join us for the Co-Op dining night at Papa Gino's on Wednesday, November 16th. Class parents have coordinated times to gather together, but if you can't make it, just have your Co-Op handout and get a take-out order. Delivery and take-out orders also count to credit the Co-Op for your purchases, but make sure you have a copy of our fundraiser flyer for them to attach to the receipts so 15% of sales are directed our way.

If there is a specific item you would like to sponsor to add to the creative room, you can see our project plan as you enter the hallway. If you would like to consider making your tax deductible donation before year end, we'd be glad to provide you with the documentation you need. Whether you want to sponsor a specific item on behalf of your family, make an anonymous contribution of any amount, or if you want to donate your time, we are appreciative and here to answer any questions you have. Every little bit helps us reach our goals.

Our February Winter Carnival details are just around the corner and we are looking forward to a joyous, prosperous holiday season for all with much to celebrate. On behalf of the Board, thank you for your continued support!

Aris Hatch  
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# Fundraising Updates

Did you know Yankee Candle is continuing through December? Continue sharing with your family and friends! Yankee Candle has great gifts for that hard to buy for person as well as fantastic host gifts! Just make sure to use our group name number to continue purchasing!

Group Name: Central Co-Op Nursery School  
Group Number: 99563033

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The Co-Op is teaming up again this year with Papa Gino's for our First Dining Night! On November 16th from 4-9pm, Papa Gino's will donate a proceed of your order back to the Co-Op during dinner hours. Good on Dine-In, Take Out and Delivery! Take a night off from cooking and enjoy some delicious pizza!



\$10,000

\$5,000

Fit & Fresh and Yankee Candle  
\$2,210 and **growing**!!!!!!!  
Amazon- June-October  
\$412.02

## NAME BUBBLES

Name Bubbles make great stocking stuffers or gifts for all those nieces, nephews, grandchildren, or for any special kiddo in your life! Check out all their fantastic labels for clothes and containers! Click on the link below to discover a fantastic product!

<https://fundraising.namebubbles.com/campaigns/40385-central-co-op-2016-17-school-year>

## FUNdrive

The Co-Op is teaming up with Savers in Nashua for our first ever FUNdrive!! This will be an easy and rewarding FUNdraiser! All you have to do is bag up all that stuff you don't want anymore. Savers will weigh it and PAY us for donating! Please let your family and friends know so they can start bagging those items now!! Best part is: They accept stuffed animals!!

**Drop Off**

**Saturday, November 12th from 9-12pm**  
**Please mention the Co-Op at drop off!**

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As you begin your holiday shopping, if you plan on purchasing any gifts from Amazon, to please consider using our link

[www.centralcoopshop.com](http://www.centralcoopshop.com)

as we get a percentage of your purchase back at no cost to you! This is one of the easiest ways to donate money to the school by doing shopping you are already doing! Last year, we were able to raise around \$1000 by using this link! Feel free to share it with everyone you know! \*please note that this link does not work with the Amazon app\*

# Crafts and Treats



# Thank You!

Thank you to all those who have donated supplies, monetary contributions towards Family Fun Night and the Creative Room upgrade, volunteer time in and out of the classroom, and donating other essential items to the Co-Op these past few months! Your donations help keep the Co-Op clean, stocked, and fun! THANK YOU!

The Shaw Family  
The Pappo Family  
The Ridenour Family  
The Suong Family  
The Swanfeldt Family  
The Krenning Family  
The Caputo Family  
The Hart Family  
The Tryon Family  
The McConnel Family  
The Laferriere Family  
The Melville Family  
Sharon and Andrew Shapiro  
The Daigle Family  
The Patel Family  
The Dulong Family  
The Wells Family  
The Scollin Family  
The Strobel Family  
The Lee Family  
The Knapp Family  
The Dwyer Family  
The Chapman Family  
The Williams Family  
The Balboni Family



There's still time to put in orders!

# YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER IS RUNNING THROUGH DECEMBER!

WWW.YANKEECANDLEFUNDRAISING.COM

GROUP NUMBER: 99563033

GROUP NAME: CENTRAL CO-OP NURSERY SCHOOL

40% OF ALL SALES WILL GO TO THE CO-OP TO ASSIST  
IN OUR EFFORT TO UPGRADE CREATIVE ROOM!

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YANKEE CANDLE

