

## Pond Cove Principal's Notes

Week of 4/12/2021

Dear Pond Cove Families,

This past week, we presented **Posters of Appreciation** to our behind-the-scenes staff. Students were invited to decorate index cards for our staff who drive buses, work in the cafeteria, who clean, and those who maintain the building. These staff members were delighted with the results! We really do appreciate everyone here; they all keep Pond Cove running smoothly. **Thank you all!**



Maintenance



Custodial



Cafeteria



Bus Drivers

**Spring Cleanup Day on the Playground!**

Sunday, April 18 9 AM-12 PM

Families, please join us for light weeding, pruning trees and shrubs, and clearing debris to get the playground in tip-top shape for spring and summer. (Those who have joined us before—we promise, NO MULCH this time!) Respond to our event on the [Pond Cove Playground Facebook page](#) or email [lindsayabarrett@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayabarrett@gmail.com) if you can join us. We'll message interested folks about any weather updates and potential supplies to bring as the day gets closer.

### Fairy Village Building Materials Needed!

Did you know? The playground has a new Fairy Village next to the old Thomas Memorial Library building! If you're cleaning up your yard or collecting treasures on spring walks, please consider stopping by outside of school hours and leaving nature materials for builders to find. Short sticks, small tree pieces, beach rocks, shells, sea glass, pinecones, acorns, flower heads, seed pods, bark pieces...whatever you think the fairies will enjoy! (Also be sure to check out the gorgeous new sign, generously created by PC art educator Mrs. Johnston.)



**Kindergarten Registration is Open**



Again, as a reminder, our office is accepting kindergarten registrations for the 2021-2022 school year. Please help spread the word to any Cape families who may be interested in registering their child/ren for kindergarten next year. All new students, whether they are new to the district, starting kindergarten in the fall of 2021, or reentering following withdrawal due to COVID-19, should be registered via our online Registration Portal. Please click [here](#) to begin this process.

If you have already registered, and all your required forms have been submitted, please call the office at 799-7339 to set up a kindergarten screening appointment. These half-hour appointments are scheduled for Wednesdays May 26 and June 2.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Jason Manjourides  
Principal, Pond Cove Elementary



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## Counselors' Corner

### Mrs. Gallagher and Mrs. O'Neill



[Pond Cove's Wellness Space](#)



[Mrs. G's SEL Mini-Lessons](#)



### **Mindfulness for Parents & Caregivers 2.0**

Mondays, April 26-May 17, 7:30-8:30

Erica Marcus, Mindfulness Director

Cape Elizabeth Middle School

#### [Registration](#)

Please join us for another four sessions in which we dig deeper into mindful parenting. We will explore more ways of anchoring in the present moment, being with difficult emotions, communicating mindfully, cultivating compassion, and of course, whatever is alive in the moment for you. This is open to preK-12 parents and caregivers who have a working understanding of mindfulness and want to learn more!

#### **Resources:**

[COVID-19 Parent/Student Handbook](#)

[Pond Cove's Wellness Space](#)

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