

CFCI Community Update 4/1/23

Message from Co-Directors, Kim McCormick & Susan Graziano

Dear CFCI Families,

What a week! So much goodness to share with our community! Friday night, our Auction for Inquiry, to help with the purchase of our new & first, Activity Bus took place and oh what fun! A true night of bringing it - all out fun and fundraising! We have so many people to thank for helping with this truly amazing event. We want to express to our wonderful Auction for Inquiry committee how much we truly appreciate their hard work starting with Co-chairs, Courtney Boucher & Christyana Durand for their enthusiastic and well coordinated execution of this incredible evening. Thank you to all of these wonderful parents & Missy Ritchie for helping to make the auction such a HUGE success! See the article below and we will post our final fundraising amount in the next update!



Courtney Boucher
Christyana Durand
Kristen Gruodis
Kristin Altman
Stephanie Olsen
Porter Ann Whiteside
Whitney Taylor
Libby Connor
Karin Walker
Patti Riddle
Missy Ritchie

Student Led Conferences continue this week as follows:

Monday 4/3

1st grade - 3-6pm

Tuesday 4/4

2nd grade - 3-6pm

Please note: CFCI is seeking applicants for the two board seats that will be vacant at the end of this school year. Applications and Information are in the article below. Please submit if you are interested or let others know who may have an interest in supporting our school in this important way. Thank you!

Remember, this is a shortened week, Thursday is a half day with pick up beginning at 11:30am. No school on Friday as this is designated as a holiday. In addition, School Spring Break is the following week beginning on April 9th. Monday, April 16th is a designated Teacher Workday. Students return to school on Tuesday, April 17th. Have a great week everyone!

Please make a note of the following:

1. [CFCI Seeks Board of Directors Applicants \(Two Seats Available\)](#)
2. Book Fair April 3-6
3. AUCTION FOR INQUIRY - A HUGE SUCCESS - WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!!!
4. 4th Grade Animal Adaptations - If I had the feet of a...!!!
5. 8th Grade Field Trip to Carolina Beach State Park
6. Student Led Conferences are Well Attended With Lots of Great Sharing!
7. First Grade Exploration of Flowers ala Georgia O'Keefe
8. A Wonderful Day in the Garden for First Graders in Ms. Shannon's Class!
9. "Cookie" - Our Sweet Guinea Pig, Loves to Help Students Learn!
10. 2nd Grade Forest Creatures - Mixed Media Inspired by Artist Bev Doolittle
11. Upcoming Partnership Events!
12. Everyone Needs a Little Georgia O'Keefe in Their Life!
13. 2023 CFCI Yearbook - Order yours today!
14. Weekly Wellness from Nurse Jenn & Ms. Horne
15. 2023 Junior Seahawk Academy at UNCW!
16. ART ROOM Thank You!

Have a great week everyone!

Kim & Susan - Co-Directors

Lisa C, Ben P, & Kelly - Coordinators

Debra & Ben R - Front Office

CFCI Seeks Board of Directors Applicants (Two Seats Available)

CFCI is seeking two qualified candidates to fill vacant seats on our Board of Directors. Seats and qualifications are as follows:

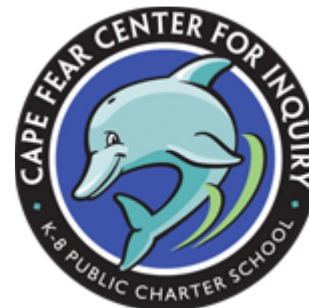
- The term for Seat 1 will be from 6/2/23 - 6/1/24.
- The term for Seat 1 will be from 6/2/23-6/1/26.
- Applicants may be community members or parents of CFCI students.

Interested candidates must complete a Board of Directors Application Form and send to the following email addresses:

sgraziano@cfci.net (Susan Graziano)

kmccormick@cfci.net (Kim McCormick)

shill@cfci.net (Stephen Hill)



Candidates will be required to introduce themselves at the May Board Meeting on May 16, 2023.

All completed applications must be received by April 30, 2023.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST IN MEMBERSHIP (1).pdf

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[Sign Up to Help at the Book Fair Here](#)



AUCTION FOR INQUIRY - A HUGE SUCCESS - WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!!!

We have so many people we need and would like to thank! To start out, thank you so much to PINE VALLEY MARKET for providing everyone with the delicious vittles and Ms. Camille Hartley, CFCI music teacher and Gin Fizz for the fabulous entertainment! Major sponsors included JEFF GORDON CHEVORLET, CLOUDWYZE, HIGH TIDE MARKETING, AND KINETICO WATER SYSTEMS, & ELITE MARKETING, thank you for their generosity & interest in the school's mission.

We have so many donors we would like to thank - the auction was successful because you gave - and we will be able to give the school an incredible donation to help support the purchase of our brand new activity bus.

We also want to thank everyone that came to help set up, clean up and of course, run the auction! Teachers, parents, & so many volunteers helped the event run...oh so smoothly.

We also want and need to thank the everyone who came to the event, to support the causes near and dear to our hearts - kids! and their ability to experience different field trips that enrich their lives on a regular basis. It is the core of our learning at CFCI...so thank you, for coming and for bidding! We did it! We had an incredible auction, and an incredible evening! Courtney and Christyanna and Team Auction for Inquiry - you are simply A-M-A-Z-I-N-G!!!









4th Grade Animal Adaptations - If I had the feet of a...!!!

This month 4th graders have been learning about adaptations of plants and animals. Students took notes on 11 different animals and how specific adaptations allow the animal to do. Using recently developed opinion writing skills, they wrote an opinion piece about what animal feet they would like to have and how the adaptations could make their lives better!

Name: Taj

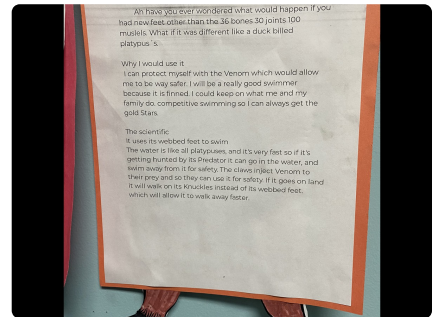
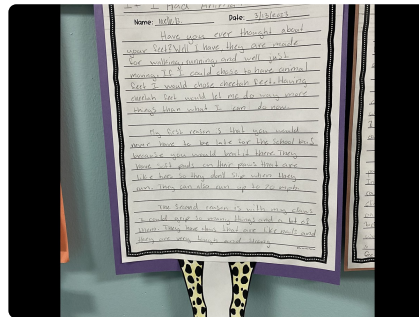
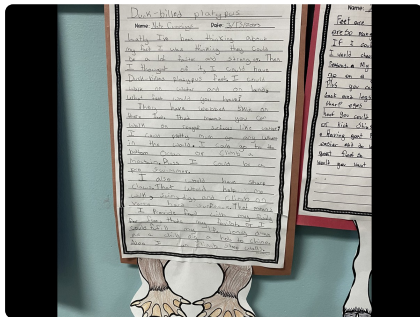
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I and every other human have human feet
Did you know human feet have 26 bones 30
joints and over 100 muscles! Well, if I could
choose any animal feet I would choose
cheetah feet.

One reason is it's one of my dreams is
to do a marithan and I could win it. If I ran
70mph I would easily win. I could do it bare foot
because the pads.

My second I could run to school every day.
It could have like 5 minutes to get to school
and run there. I don't have to worry about
traffic ever again. Cheetahs can breath from their paws.

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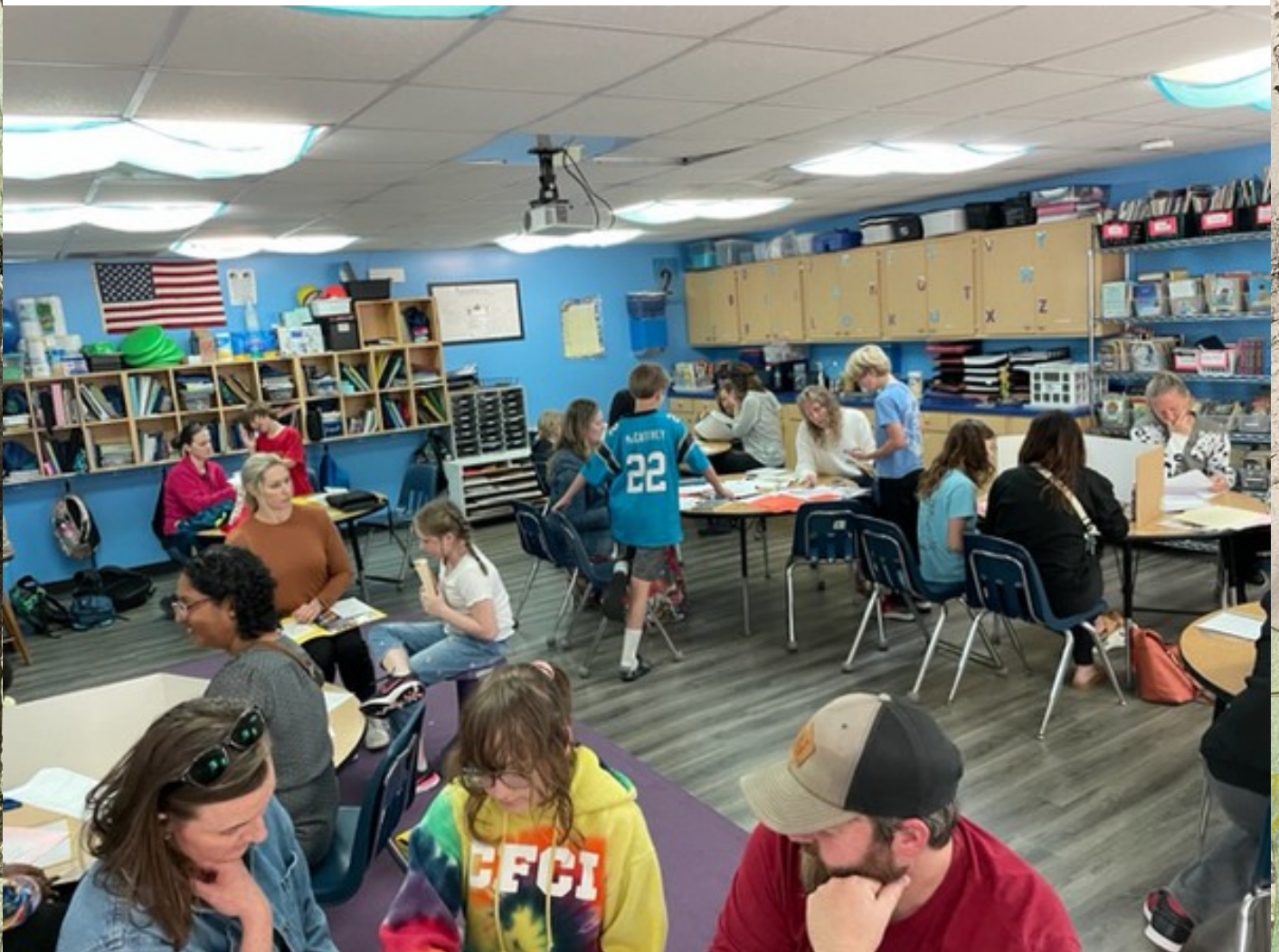


8th Grade Field Trip to Carolina Beach State Park

A park ranger led our field trip through the park. Students learned about and explored the coastal ecosystem and searched for plants while learning about wildlife and hiking and crabbing.



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First Grade Exploration of Flowers ala Georgia O'Keefe



A Wonderful Day in the Garden for First Graders in Ms. Shannon's Class!

Ms. Rene, founding CFCI member, is helping Ms. Shannon's class with their spring garden.



"Cookie" - Our Sweet Guinea Pig, Loves to Help Students Learn!





2nd Grade Forest Creatures - Mixed Media Inspired by Artist Bev Doolittle





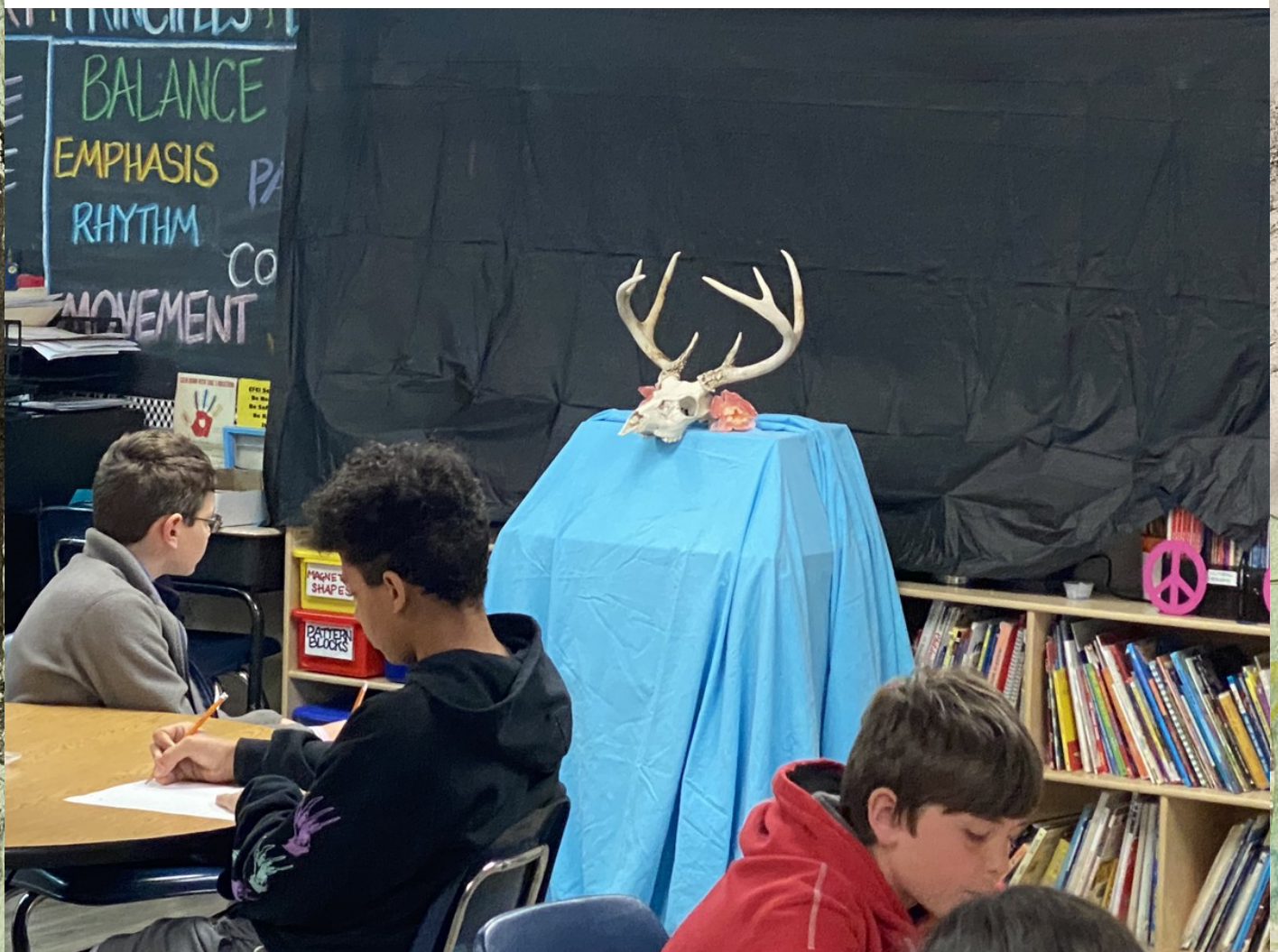
UPCOMING PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Spring Book Fair - April 3-6

Family Night - May 5



Everyone Needs a Little Georgia O'Keefe in Their Life!



CFCI 2023 Yearbook - Order Yours Today!!!

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ART ROOM - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Art Room could really use some:

- SHARPIES (both Regular - Fine and Ultra Fine)
- Paper Plates

Thank you so much for your help in giving our students additional supplies that help them create amazing art!!!



Weekly Wellness from Nurse Jenn & Ms. Horne

Parents of Rising 7th Grade Students

Students entering 7th grade are required to have one dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine and one dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine for individuals who have not already received those vaccines.

An up-to-date immunization record* indicating that your student has received all required immunizations is due by the first day of attendance at school. If proof of immunization is not provided within 30 calendar days after school entry, **your student will not be allowed to attend school until it is provided, as required by law.**

For more information visit: <https://immunization.dph.ncdhhs.gov/schools/k-12.htm>

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Ripa at 910-362-0000 ext. 207.

*Immunization records need to be an official certificate or record of immunization. A print out from a healthcare portal will not be accepted.

2023 Junior Seahawk Academy at UNCW!



REGISTER NOW!

2023 Junior Seahawk Academy

Junior Seahawk Academy is a STEM, healthcare, and teacher education summer camp for children ages 10-14 to learn about these fields and opportunities at UNCW.

Junior Seahawk Academy will be in-person & hybrid this summer with sessions available online via Zoom or in-person at the Watson College of Education:

SESSION 1: (IN-PERSON ONLY)
JUNE 13-16, 2023 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
FEE: \$25.00
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 31ST

SESSION 2: (IN-PERSON & ZOOM)
JULY 17-21, 2023 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
FEE: \$30.00
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 29TH



2023-24 CFCI Community Calendar

23-24 CFCI Community Calendar Final - YearlyCalendar (6).pdf

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CFCI Events Calendar

Follow the link and bookmark it so that you can keep up-to-date on events happening at CFCI. We We will add new events as they come up - we hope you like this additional feature to our website. Please direct questions/feedback to dkorb@cfc.net.

Student & Family Handbook

The Student and Family Handbook communicates the expectations, policies, procedures, and practices for our students and families. Please read with your student.

Chromebook Agreement

The Chromebook Agreement communicates the expectations and use of chromebooks for students and families. Please read carefully.

Volunteer Interest Form

CFCI Organizational Chart 2022-23

Organizational Chart 22-23.pdf

Please click to download the organizational chart for the school.

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