

# Principal's Newsletter

*Sunday, October 6*

## Cunniff Date Set for Combined Safety Drills

The Cunniff is preparing for a combined Enhanced Lockdown and Evacuation drill that will take place on Friday, October 18th. The drill will begin at 1:00 PM and should last about one hour. The first part of the drill will focus on the enhanced lockdown. The second part will consist of the evacuation to our secondary site at 100 Warren Street. We should be back at Cunniff by 2:00 PM.

On Friday, October 11th, I will be hosting a Principal's Coffee, right after drop-off and in the cafetorium. During this time, you will learn about what the drill will consist of and you will also have an opportunity to ask any questions that might arise.

During the next two weeks, students will be learning about this drill and preparing for it. Teachers will be using a story titled "*What to do if there is an emergency at school*" as a read-aloud with students. I have attached a copy below. We encourage you to review this with your child at home as well. This social story is best used with Pre-Kindergarten - grade two students.

As with all safety protocols, our goal is to prepare students in the event an emergency should take place. If you have any additional questions regarding this drill, please contact our Main Office.



Social Story - School Safety.pdf

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## Dr. Galdston Visits Thursday

Dr. Galdston will be spending the day at Cunniff on Thursday. During this time she will have an opportunity to tour the building, spend time in classrooms, and interact with staff and students as teaching and learning are taking place. I will also meet with her to go over my goals for the school year.

## The Fun Run is Friday!


Thank you for registering your student(s) for the 2019 **FUN RUN**. Thanks also to those of you who have already shared their webpage(s) as a way of getting donations.

Sharing your page(s) is quick and easy. It literally takes seconds and is highly effective in getting donations from near and far.

1. Simply login to your parent dashboard
  1. <https://secure.eventsonline.us/reg/getmovincrew/parents> login using the details you used to set up your child's webpage.
2. Once logged in the page, you can share via Facebook or other social media with just a few clicks and in a few seconds by using email.
3. Our goal is for all parents to send 10-15 emails to family/friends and post on Facebook or Social Media.
4. If you haven't registered yet, you still have time to. [www.getmovinfunhub.com/login](http://www.getmovinfunhub.com/login) . Use our school code to register: 5d31d6a476e95 . Thank you!
5. I have attached the Fun Run schedule if you want to stop during the time your student is participating.



2019 Fun Run Schedule.pdf

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286.7 KB

## October No School and Early-release Dates


A reminder that there is **no school on Monday, October 14** - Columbus Day. Additionally, **Wednesday, October 16 is an early-release day with a 12:15 dismissal**. Students will have an early lunch schedule and there is Extended Day. Teachers will be participating in professional development during the afternoon.

## Food for Thought Program

Friday, October 18 is the deadline to enroll in the Food for Thought program. The Cunniff School is proud to be participating in the Rotary Club of Watertown's Food for Thought program which offers a supply of nutritious meals and snacks for children over the weekend, **free of charge if you are struggling to meet your family's food needs** and would benefit from receiving additional food. I have attached a flyer for additional details.



FoodforThought.pdf

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## Little Free Libraries

During the next few weeks, little free libraries will be installed at key locations around the Cunniff exterior. Little free libraries are book-sharing boxes that will enable students to take a book and even share a book without having to go through the process of "checking it out" formally. We're hoping that this will further inspire students to read independently during informal times when they are not in school. We will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony, once they have been installed. Details to follow.

