

# Principal's Newsletter

Monday, October 14

Dear Cunniff Families,

Many thanks to all for contributing to the success of the Cunniff Fun Run. We exceeded our goal and despite the rain, students still enjoyed participating in it!

We have a four day week of school ahead. **Wednesday is an early-release day with a 12:15 dismissal and Extended Day.** Students will have an early lunch. Teachers will be participating in building-based professional development during the afternoon.



Our combined drill (enhanced lockdown and evacuation) will take place on Friday beginning at 1:00 PM. The Watertown Police Department will be assisting with this drill. Teachers will begin preparing students for this combined drill tomorrow. Part of this work will include using the School Safety Social Story (attached). Additionally, we will be reminding students that the Cunniff is a safe place and the likelihood that an intruder would enter our building is rare. Once the drill has been completed, I will notify families via SchoolMessenger.

A reminder that there are many Cunniff families that have not given permission for their student's photos or videos to be shared on social media. When capturing memories, please be sure that student images, other than your own, are blurred and cannot be identified. Thank you for your help with this important practice.

Looking ahead, October 21-25 is STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) week. The Cunniff will be hosting a STEM Day in our library on Wednesday, October 23rd. All students will have an opportunity to participate in activities that inspire creativity and critical thinking across all domains.

LifeTouch School Picture Day is Friday, November 1st. Details to follow.

Enjoy this beautiful day.

Kind regards,  
Mena Ciarlone, Principal



Social Story - School Safety.pdf

[Download](#)  
946.7 KB

