

November 15th, 2019

GROVE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SPOTLIGHT

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Halloween Dance

Our annual Halloween Dance Party took place on Thursday, October 31st at the Madison Arts Barn. The spook-tacular celebration included a costume contest, music by DJ Bry, game tables, photobooth, and Halloween themed snacks and beverages. This year's dance attracted an overwhelming attendance by students and staff. Costumes were nothing less than phenomenal!!

Congratulations to our costume winners- each winner won a \$5.00 gift certificate to our new and improved Hawks Nest food truck on campus: James L., Josh C., Harris K., Ellie G., Kayla K., Meghan M., Freddy S., Julian S., and Amanda R.

Pumpkin Smashing

An annual activity favorite amongst the students and staff!! Each year Bishop Orchards in Guilford, CT generously donates their left-over supply of pumpkins to Salt Marsh Farm, for the local grass-fed heifer cows to enjoy. Students helped load pumpkins onto trucks and then eagerly participated in smashing the pumpkins and feeding the cows on the farm grounds. We were lucky to have a beautiful warm and sunny day this year. Thank you to Ashley Page and her family for offering such a unique and memorable opportunity at their family farm.









ARTS & DRAMA

Grove School Presents...



Cyrano

Thursday, December 5th @ 7:00pm Friday, December 6th @ 7:00pm

> Playbill Artwork by: TigerLili D.

ATHLETICS

GROVE SOCCER SHINES

The soccer team wrapped up its season winning 8 of its final 12 games, including wins against Middlebridge School in the opening round of the Coastal Prep League tournament, and against Barrington Christian Academy in the semifinal. Unfortunately, the season ended in a 5-4 overtime loss to Highlander Charter School in the championship final. Coach Mike B. says, "Our team fought so hard in every match all season long. In my 13 years of coaching, we have never had so many come-from-behind wins. In years past, if we didn't score and get an early lead, we were out of the game. This year we were down a lot, but never out. I'd like to think it has to do with coaching, but the truth is that these players believed in themselves, and each other, and never gave up. That character and determination is what made this team so special. I am sad for the result of the final game, but so proud of how they played throughout the match, and more importantly, how they carried themselves after that heartbreaking loss." There is a long offseason ahead, with indoor and outdoor club running through the winter, spring, and summer. The team is expected to stay sharp and come back next year even stronger. Mike would like to thank all of the players for making this year such a fun and rewarding experience.

Esports

The Hawks continue to battle against other schools from across the country. Jordan F. continues to dominate his opponents in Super Smash Matches and currently sits in 12th place out of 62 students. The Overwatch team remains competitive against their opponents and are looking for a strong finish to the season to achieve the team goal of qualifying for the playoffs at the end of the year.

JDRF Turkey Bowl

Students and staff participated in some passionate, but friendly competition in this year's 5th annual flag football Turkey Bowl to support the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. A total of 6 teams competed in a single elimination tournament over two days. Members of the Key Club and NHS sponsored the event, raising nearly \$200 for the cause through the sale of support bracelets, signature JDRF paper sneakers, and the tournament concession stand. A big thanks to Tommy from Grove Maintenance who prepped professional-like fields for game time, and our staff referees: Darren, Sean, and Shirley. Intramural sport leaders Kevin D. and Shirley Z. rocked the organization of the event! Winners are pictured below.





COMMUNITY SERVICE

Cove Run and Walk

The annual Run for the Cove is a 5k run and memorial walk. Proceeds go to the Cove Center for Grieving Children with the purpose of helping children, teens, and their families in the healing process when faced with a significant loss. This day is an inspiring opportunity to for students to participate in a community event. Grove students and staff have been involved in this race for the past 6 years! This year we had a large group of 11 student participants. Shout out to Spencer S. for finishing first out of the grove group; Mr. speed demon! And congratulations to staff Brittany P., who came in 2nd place for her age group!

JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes

On Saturday, October 19th a group of ten students (many of them members of Grove Key Club) and three staff participated in the Greater Hartford JDRF One Walk to Cure Diabetes. The group bundled up to walk along Hammonasset's beautiful coastline to support the cause, which is the leading global organization funding Type 1 Diabetes Research. The group not only got some exercise, but enjoyed snacks, corn hole, and the photo booth!





UPCOMING EVENTS

ASTEE and Experiential Learning:

Mean Girls on Broadway- Sunday, November 24th

Community Events:

Thanksgiving Dress-Up Dinner- Tuesday, November 19th
Holiday Expo- Monday, December 2nd 6:30-8:30pm

Arts and Drama:

Cyrano- Thursday, December 5th 7:00pm and Friday, December 6th 7:00

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