



CARDINAL

FRIENDS OF CUTLER

CHRONICLE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2016

Upcoming Events

- Jan 26th – New Family Coffee, 8:45am
- Jan 29th – Spirit Day
- Feb 5th – Family Game Night
- Feb 12th – Staff Breakfast
- Feb 15-19 – Winter Break
- April 8 – Adult Social

[Full calendar at
www.friendsofcutler.com](http://www.friendsofcutler.com)

THIS MONTH AT CUTLER.....

*The Book Fair was a huge success!!! Thank you to our fantastic Book Fair Committee, especially, chairs, Heather Broadbent and Anne Brady for putting together another hugely successful event. We were able to earn over \$1,000 for our school and to purchase several new books for the Learning Commons. Thank you so much to everyone who came to support this event.

*Thank you to Nicole Ireland for securing us the Hamilton-Wenham Cultural Council Grant. The grant was used to offset the cost of hosting Author Jarrett Krosoczka at our school. Learn more about his visit on page 2!

*The 5th grade is continuing to sell H-W Euro Car Magnets to offset the costs of Fifth Grade Week activities. If you are interested in purchasing one, please contact Erica Mitchell – ebmitchell80@hotmail.com

*Family Game Night - Join Cutler families for an evening of community action and games on February 5th. See details on page 2!

*Stay tuned for information leading up to our annual adult social, Spring Fling in April!

*The Friends of Cutler is on Facebook! Join the group for the latest updates - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Friendsofcutler/>

Meet the Cutler Staff – 4th Grade Team

Mrs. Anderson

Favorite Food for Breakfast:

Greek Yogurt with walnuts, fruit, cinnamon, and honey!

Favorite Book: "Blink" by Malcolm Gladwell

Favorite Movie: "The Princess Bride"

Favorite Activity: Spending time with my family

Favorite Thing about Cutler: Our wonderfully supportive and kind community

Two things we don't know about you: 1) I have 7 brothers and sisters. 2) I used to work for a television station.



Mrs Anderson (left) and Ms. Valentine (right)

Ms. Valentine

Favorite Food for Breakfast:

Anything as long as it's with coffee!

Favorite Book: Harry Potter series

Favorite Movie: "Despicable Me"

Favorite Activity: Reading

Favorite Thing about Cutler: My students that always make me laugh!

Two things we don't know about you:

I once had four dogs and two cats as pets all at the same time, and I do NOT like pizza!

Cultural Enrichment Update:

Author Jarrett J. Krosoczka's Visit at Cutler!



Author Jarrett Krosoczka shares a piece of his work with students

Dreams can be reached! This was the core message that was presented on January 7th by Author Jarrett K. Krosoczka. As a boy being raised by his grandparents in Worcester, MA, Jarrett dreamed of someday writing and illustrating books for a living. He is now happily living out his childhood dream after years of perseverance, hard work and diligence. Everyone was captivated by hearing Jarrett's story and the stories behind his books. He connected his early work to the students' current writing and provided a digital slideshow which detailed his growth as an author and an artist. We were lucky enough to preview some behind-the-scenes photos that showcased the revision process of writing. Through his grade level presentations, he was able to truly bring literature to life for the Cutler community.



Author Jarrett Krosoczka meets with Cutler students



Family Pajama and Games Night

Join Cutler families for an evening of community action and games on 5 February. We will be collecting new pajamas (one per family) to donate to children in need through the Pajama Project <http://www.pajamaprogram.org/index>. We will also be making Valentine's for seniors on the North Shore and American Veterans. Everyone (grownups included!) is encouraged to come in pajamas.

There will be two sessions, 4:45-6:00 and 6:30-7:45. Cost is \$5.00 per family, and includes, water, light snacks, craft supplies and games. Fifth Grade Bake Sale and Cutler Apparel will also be there on the night. There are lots of opportunities for parent volunteers as well!

Admission will be first come first served and ticket sales close February 1st. Sign up early! Information and order forms should have come through backpacks and room parent email. Contact Kristin at kmprocte@hotmail.com or Kris kristaveenema@gmail.com

NOTE: This event is a shift from fundraiser to community action. As such the focus is on helping others. There will be NO TOYS and NO PIZZA, but a TON of FUN!



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