



## It's Time to Spring into Action

Hello Fiddlehead Families,

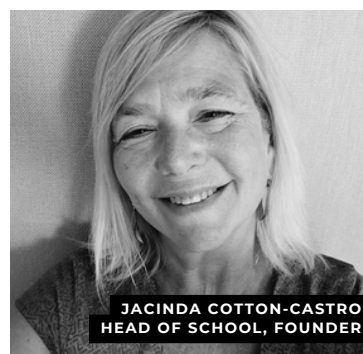
As the days grow longer, it's time to shake off the winter chill and dive into all the wonderful things spring brings -- like sunshine and new growth.

In celebration of this wonderful planet, we will host an **Earth Day event** at Fiddlehead. With learning stations and a community clean-up, we'll all have a chance to care for Mother Earth. Event details will be shared soon!

In this month's newsletter, you'll discover our **Pre-K class** finding ways to help those who are hungry, a fundraiser to support Fiddlehead's **nature-based playground**, and how **Hannaford is shining a spotlight on our school**. There's so much to look forward to, and we can't wait to share it all with you!

Warmly,

- Jacinda



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## In this newsletter you can expect:

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**ICYMI:** Fiddlehead's second-grade teacher, Sara Giuliano, has been nominated for Cumberland County's Teacher of the Year! [Click here to read](#) more about this prestigious nomination, and Sara's heartfelt approach to education, in an article published in the Windham Eagle.



## Eat, Bid, Play: Let's Build Our Playground

Great food, a great cause, and a whole lot of fun. Let's build this playground together!

Please join us at Nonesuch River Brewing on March 27 from 4:00-9:00 PM for a special fundraiser. It's as easy as enjoying dinner... really! Come dine at Nonesuch River Brewing, mention Fiddlehead to your server, and 10% of your bill will be donated to our playground project, YAY!

We'll also host a live auction filled with fantastic local items, all in support of giving our kiddos a place to play, explore, and grow.

**Nonesuch River Brewing** is known for its house-brewed craft beer and farm-to-table menu, with our event hosted at the location in Poland.

At the end of the day, this really is about more than a playground, it's about coming together as a community to create an environment where nature-based play can come to life. Please mark your calendars and expect ways to share this fantastic event via social media to hit your inboxes soon! We can't wait to eat, bid, and make this space of imaginative play a reality!



## Pre-K Gives Food for Thought

Next month, Pre-K will visit Gray Shop'n'Save to conclude their unit on healthy bodies and where food comes from with place-based learning. The unit started with a question: How can we help people who don't have enough food? While learning how different foods are said in Spanish, students gave their answer: "We could buy food for them" deciding to donate cans of food to the Gray Food Pantry. While at the store, students will learn from hardworking employees how Gray Shop'n'Save also shares food with the wider community to reduce waste.

## Hannaford Chooses Fiddlehead

We know you probably have a stash of Hannaford bags, but here's a reason to grab more! Fiddlehead has been selected for Hannaford's Community Bag Program. For every \$2.50 reusable Community Bag purchased this April at the Hannaford in Gray, the store will donate \$1 to Fiddlehead. Please help us spread the word and let's make this opportunity count!

