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Dear Lighthouse Families,

Each week as I write, I feel a deepening sense of nostalgia for the school year that will soon pass. As we busily navigate each day and continue to plan for next week's special events, I am reminded that summer vacation is truly right around the corner.

As I shared last week, all Lighthouse students are asked to engage in summer reading and math activities. The specifics are outlined in the Summer Reading and Summer Math links below and in correspondence from your classroom teachers. While we expect regular practice in reading and math, summer is most importantly a time for children to unwind from the rigors of school, enjoy friends more freely, engage in less structured play, build new connections at camp, try novel activities, and even be bored sometimes. Preserving time and space for childlike whimsy and finding a healthy rhythm in practicing newly learned skills is the hope.

***As we head into next week, please mark your calendars for one of Nantucket Lighthouse School's most cherished and long-standing traditions: Project Night.*** We will gather behind the Starbuck Cottage at 5:00 for a musical performance with our Small Schoolers, and from there kinderclass through seventh grade classrooms will be open to friends and family. We encourage you to visit the students and their projects in both the Starbuck Cottage and the Chace Schoolhouse, as this will allow you to see the developmental progression of their work. Once you have had a chance to visit in classrooms, we will have several food trucks onsite, as well as the ice cream truck at 6:00p.m.

Have a wonderful weekend. We look forward to celebrating the children's work with you.

Warm regards,

Emily

[Summer Reading](#)

[Summer Math](#)

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## **Happy, Thoughtful Kids Grown Here**

Last Friday's All-School Meeting was a true celebration. A group of Lighthouse alumni returned to reflect on their years here as they prepare for high school graduation. For several of them, I was their first Small School teacher. Watching them grow from bright-eyed three-year-olds into thoughtful, capable young adults has been one of the greatest privileges of my career.

Our alumni shared memories of project-based discoveries, imaginative recess games, and the gentle freedom they were afforded by Lighthouse teachers to be themselves. Their stories offered our current students a beautiful glimpse into the lasting arc of a Lighthouse education, one rooted not only in academics, but in joy, belonging, curiosity, and kindness.

What moved me most was seeing how clearly each graduate's path reflects the child we first came to know in the classroom. One alum who spent her Small School days lovingly caring for baby dolls is now headed to college to study pediatric nursing. Others are pursuing degrees in sports broadcasting, environmental work, and community service, following interests that have deepened over time into meaningful callings.

You can always spot a Lighthouse kid: thoughtful, curious, and authentically themselves. Those qualities become the foundation for remarkable young adults who can confidently step into the wider world with empathy, purpose, and heart.

Congratulations to the Class of 2026! We are so proud of who they are - and where they are going next.

Warmly,

**Julia**



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### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

Project Night and Family Picnic  
Monday, June 1st  
5:00-7:00pm

NLS Carnival  
Thursday June 4th  
1:15-2:30pm

Last Day of Extended Day  
Thursday June 4th

HALF DAY  
Last Day of School  
Friday, June 5th  
12:00pm pick-up

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# Project Night & Family Picnic

Monday, June 1st  
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
1 Rugged Road



Food trucks will be on campus  
from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Eat Fire Pizza Food Truck  
Lemon Press Food Truck  
Hang Loose Helado

Please park in the school parking lot or  
on the school side of the street.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
NANTUCKET LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL'S

# CARNIVAL

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

1:15-2:30 PM

RUGGED ROAD CAMPUS

FREE FUN AND GAMES FOR ALL!

PLEASE PARK IN THE SCHOOL PARKING LOT OR ON THE  
SCHOOL SIDE OF THE STREET.



Nantucket  
Lighthouse  
School

## Extended Day Monday–Thursday Meet in the Cottage 2:30–5:10pm

The Extended Day program includes  
hands-on activities, artistic projects,  
homework help, and imaginative play  
indoors and out.

☆ Last Day of Extended Day will be Thursday, June 4th ☆

[Learn More and Sign Up](#)



**AN ACTIVE, PLAY-BASED SUMMER PROGRAM**  
**SERVING CHILDREN AGES 3.5 TO 12**

## **CAMP FOR NANTUCKET LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL STUDENTS**



*These two special weeks of camp are only available to currently-enrolled Nantucket Lighthouse School students!*

Our mission is to ensure that every child is engaged and nurtured across a wide variety of collaborative and creative experiences.

### **NANTUCKET LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL STUDENT ONLY CAMP WEEKS:**

June 15–18 (Monday–Thursday)

\$520

August 24–28 (Monday–Friday)

\$650

*Limited space is available.*

[Register for June 15–18](#)

[Register for August 24–28](#)

[Learn More About Camp Lighthouse](#)







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## Community Events

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# FAMILY PICNIC

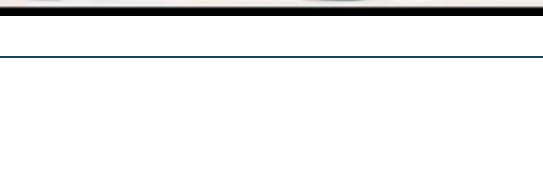
Join the Land Bank  
and kick off summer  
Free Entry!



Food Trucks  
Yard Games  
Local Performers  
& More!



**SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH**  
**10AM-2PM**  
**CREEKS PRESERVE**  
**2 MILESTONE RD**



# KIDS INDOOR FISHING FUN DAY

## LEARN TO FISH!



**DATE:**  
SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026

**TIME:**  
3:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

**LOCATION:**  
THE NANTUCKET ANGLERS' CLUB  
1 New Whale Street  
Nantucket, MA 02554

**FREE TO ALL CHILDREN!**

**JOIN US FOR A FUN KIDS EVENT!**  
We will have activities, instruction stations and some snacks for kids.  
Must be accompanied by an Adult.  
Come on by!

**FRESHWATER FISHING DISCOVERY EVENT INSTRUCTIONS ON:**

- 🐟 KNOT TYING
- 🐟 BAIT
- 🐟 CASTING
- 🐟 GAMES
- 🐟 PAINTING LURES\*
- 🐟 SAFETY

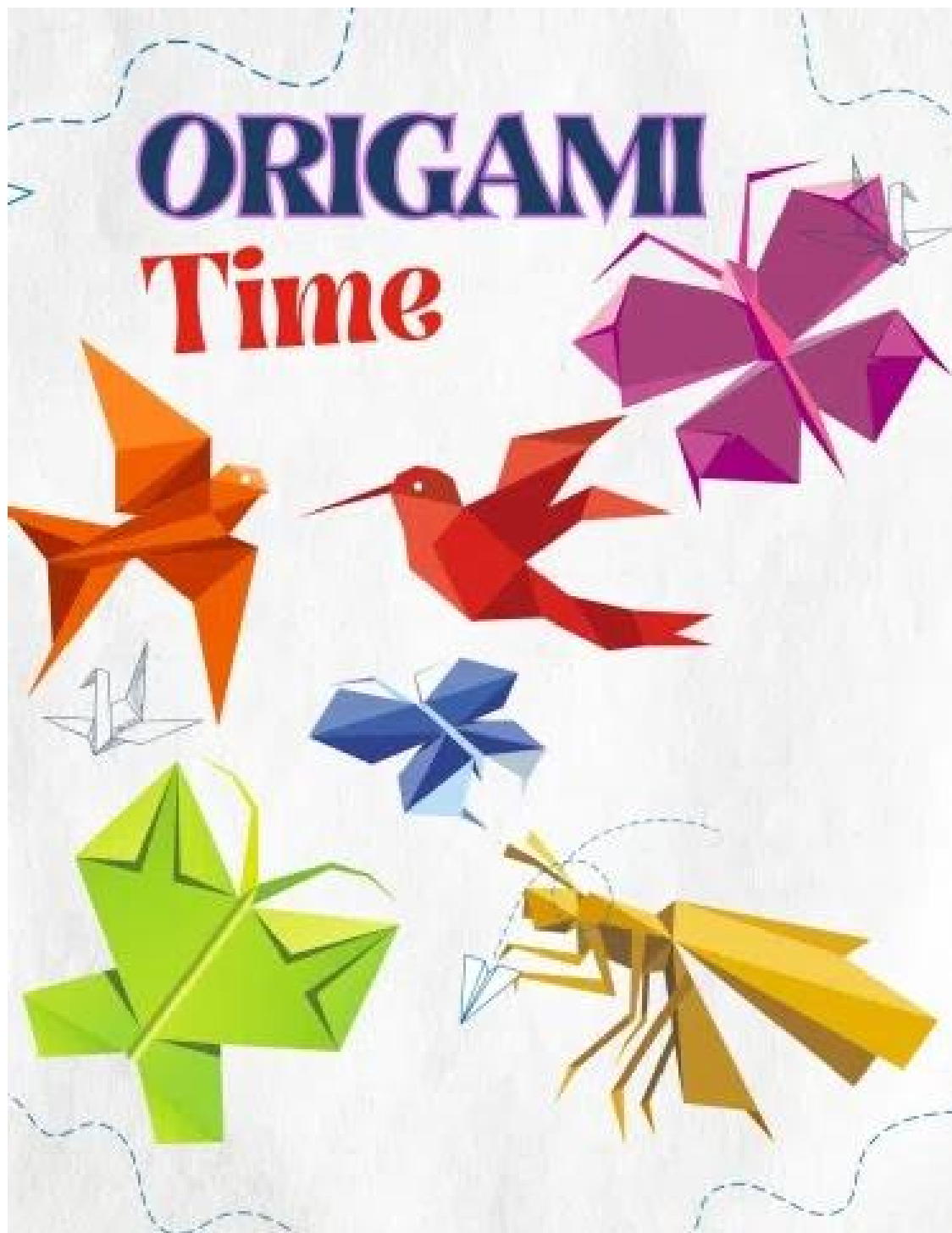
\* MUST REGISTER AT THE CLUB FOR THIS ONLY—AGES 8 AND UP WITH JEFF FROM OUTCAST LURES. LIMITED SPACE.

☎ 508-228-2299

✉ fish@nantucketanglersclub.com  
or just stop by...

## OUTCAST LURES





## Origami Time!

Location: Nantucket Atheneum

Date: May 30, 2026

Time: 1:00–2:00pm

Join us for a fun weekly origami workshop! We will learn about a new design each week and progress through the steps together. At the end you will be able to take home your paper folding project.

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