

# CMS NEWSLETTER



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**December** is Universal Human Rights Month, a time for people in the U.S. and around the world to join together and stand up for the rights and dignity of all individuals. December 10, Human Rights Day, is a global holiday that marks the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations in 1948

Learn More Here

<https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day>

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## Universal Human Rights Month



During World War II there were four basic goals stated by the Allies, that ever man and woman should know and experience four freedoms. Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Religion, Freedom from fear, and Freedom from want. These ideas were set in place and upheld, but as was made clear by the atrocities committed by Hitler, they were woefully insufficient to guarantee and enforce the freedoms they represented.

So it came to pass in December of 1948 that the United Nations General Assembly put forth 30 articles that cover everything from rights to education, freedom, health, and more. Since this event these articles have served to help protect civilians in time of war or dictatorship, to help bring POW's home, and to ensure that people everywhere are allowed to live in liberty and safety.



## CMS Webpage

<https://cms.westportps.org/>

Parents and students are encouraged to check out the CMS Webpage. It's a great place to find information.

## CMS PTA ANNUAL APPEAL

Help Support CMS PTA Funds are used to enhance school experiences for our students throughout the year. Please [DONATE](#)

Reminder to charge **Chromebooks** each night and keep the protective cover on the device. Also, students are expected to follow the Acceptable Use Guidelines.

# SUMMER WHAM BAM SEASIDE KITTEN KABOOM UNDERBELLY

Bet that caught your attention! Those are the titles for latest piece of art from WestPAC & WAAC on loan to CMS.

WestPAC & WAAC and some CMS Teachers have selected works by Liz Leggett to loaned to and on display at CMS.

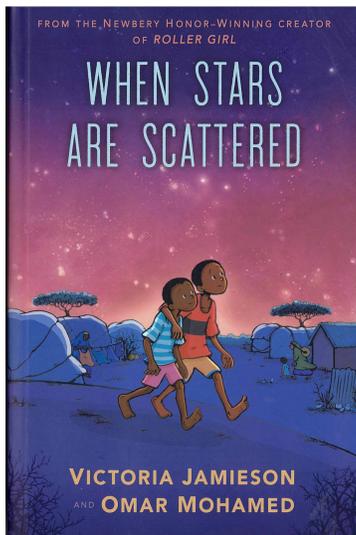
Liz Leggett is a contemporary painter who lives in Westport with her husband, two sons, cat, and dog. She received a BA from Skidmore College and MFA from the Maine College of Art, and her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally. She has attended artist in residence programs in Israel, the Pyrenees Mountains, Spain, Nova Scotia, New York and Wilton and Ridgefield, Connecticut. Liz is the Director of Exhibitions at MoCA Westport where she has co-curated numerous shows.

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# International Human Rights Day



In recognition of International Human Rights Day (to be celebrated Saturday, December 10, 2023) the United Nations Association of Southwestern Connecticut (UNA SW CT) and the Westport Library are sponsoring an exciting author visit with Omar Mohammed and New York Times bestselling author/artist Victoria Jamieson.

They are the author and illustrator of *When Stars Are Scattered*. In addition to being a 2023 Nutmeg Nominee, this book has won a bevy of awards, including National Book Award Finalist, *New York Times Book Review* Notable Children's Book, *Time* Best Book of the Year, *School Library Journal* Best Book of the Year and the Schneider Family Book Award. *When Stars Are Scattered* tells the story of Omar Mohamed, a Somali refugee, from his time in a Kenyan refugee camp where he cared for his largely non-verbal brother to his eventual life in the United States.

Grade 6 students at Bedford and Coleytown will take part in this wonderful opportunity via livestream on Tuesday, December 6th at 10:15 during their regularly scheduled core classes.

