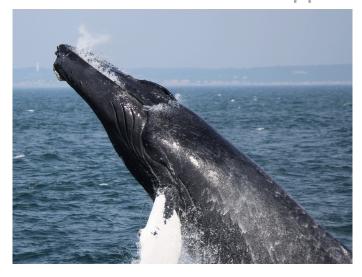
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Dear \$[UD:FIRST\_NAME||]\$,

Summer is in full swing! You can find The Whalemobile team either on the water narrating whale watch trips with <u>7 Seas Whale Watch</u> or <u>Newburyport Whale Watch</u>, or helping libraries create unforgettable memories for their patrons. In this issue, we're sharing a mid-season recap, fun activity ideas to keep the ocean spirit alive, and a spotlight on Aleta—a dedicated 14-year-old from Indiana who returns each summer to connect with the whales she loves.

## What's Happening on the Water?



One of the things that sets The Whalemobile apart is that all of our educators are also whale watch naturalists, spending their summers observing humpback whales in the wild. We're not just teaching about whales—we're out there with them! From these whale watch vessels, we gather stories, science, and inspiration to bring back to you! Ciara Spellman, one of our incredible team members, collects data, captures stunning photos, and helps document what's happening on the water. Here's her exciting update on what we've been seeing so far this season!

Season Summary and Photos!

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## Household Connections: Fun activities to do this summer

We love creating engaging activities that connect kids to the ocean—no matter where they live! The ocean influences the air we breathe, the climate we experience, and the overall health of our planet, so helping young learners understand their connection to it is at the heart of what we do. In this issue, we're sharing two fun activities: one for younger kids that explores the alphabet through ocean words and one for older learners that dives into science of acoustics. Enjoy—and let us know if there are other resources you'd like to sea!





## Inspiring Kids

In 2018, Aleta attended her first Whalemobile program in Monroeville, IN—and returned in 2019, even more intrigued. That spark of curiosity led her to create a cardboard model of Nile for a local fall festival boat race! Her grandmother reached out to share her growing passion for marine biology, and from there, a connection was born. For the past two summers, Aleta has joined us on the water in Massachusetts, witnessing humpbacks in their natural habitat—and last year, she was even lucky enough to spot a rare blue whale! We're honored to be part of her journey and are inspired every day by changemakers like her.

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The Whalemobile is in the middle of its Summer Library Tour! We have stops planned near Rochester and Buffalo, NY, Northern and Southern New Jersey, Massachusetts, and more. Check out <u>our map</u> of programs!

Do you know a library or school that would love a visit from The Whalemobile? Refer them by clicking this link below, and we'll take it from there! If they book a program, we'll send you a special thank-you gift.

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