

Principal's Newsletter

The Cedarwood Chronicle

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Can you believe it's December already? It seems like yesterday the birds were chirping and the students were wearing shorts. Now, with the change in weather, we need to make sure our students are dressing appropriately, because it's cold outside (smile). Please make sure your child is wearing a hat, gloves, and a coat. He/She will not be allowed to go outside for recess if they don't have these things. Also, please remind your child to keep all of these things on when they go outside. This will help us all be better equipped to combat the sickness that comes during the winter season. After all, it is flu season!



Communication Update:

As you know, we are no longer using Class Dojo in our district. In an effort to try to provide ongoing timely communication, we will be constantly updating our school's website with frequent announcements. With that said, I would highly encourage you to "bookmark" it so that you have immediate access to all information. Additionally, we will continue to provide weekly phone dialers, flyers, and email correspondence to differentiate our methods. Hopefully, this approach will ensure everyone stays in the loop. In the meantime, I think it's important to note that the district is exploring an alternative program that has similar features as Class Dojo. As I learn additional information, I will keep you posted.

COSI Membership Opportunity

Cosi is offering a free membership to 5th grade students and their families. If you are interested, please see the attached link. Check it out <https://cosi.org/CCS5>

Project Adventure Fees

Parents, if you haven't already done so, please take care of your Project Adventure Fees.

Q: What Does My Project Adventure Fee Go Towards? This fee helps pay for the following:

1. Yearly safety inspections
2. Ropes
3. Helmets
4. Harnesses
5. Transportation to field trips

Cedarwood T-Shirts

Are you interested in ordering either a school t-shirt for yourself or your child. Well, look no further, you can purchase a t-shirt for \$10.00. T-shirts that have been purchased thus far have been sent home with students. If you have purchased shirts and have not received yours yet, please reach out to Ms. Olivia Doggett, our Family Ambassador, for assistance.

[Cedarwood T-Shirt Purchase Link](#)



Attendance Challenge

The winner of our contest for the month of November was Pre K. For the first time, another grade level was able to dethrone our 5th graders! Congratulations to our Pre K students; your average attendance rate was 90.82%. Each homeroom will receive either a Game Room Pass or a Sweet Treat. All grade levels will be competing for the month of December. Parents, please try to do your part by making sure your child is at school each day. I can't wait to see who this month's winner will be.

Family Ambassador

Attached is the Newsletter from Ms. Doggett, our Family Ambassador. Please view it at your leisure. It has some really good information. [Parent Newsletter Link](#)

Counselor's Corner

From the desk of Ms. Parks, our school counselor, comes her monthly newsletter. Please click on the link below to access it. [Counselor's Newsletter](#)

Woodchuck Wellness

Please [Click Here](#) for the December SEL Newsletter (Woodchuck Wellness) from Ms. Drain and Ms. Parks.

Holiday Shop

Ready! Set! Go!!! The PTO-sponsored holiday shop is back this school year. It will be December 9th - 13th. No item will be priced over 5.00.

Winter Concert/Musical

This year's Winter Concert will be Wednesday, December 11th. The program will begin promptly at 5:00 pm in the cafeteria. We usually have a packed house, so plan accordingly. For the program, both Parking Lots will be open to the public.



Parents Night Out

Are you looking for some alone time? Maybe you need to get some holiday shopping done...Whatever the reason, we are here for you! Our Project Adventure Team is hosting another Parents Night Out event. Tickets are just 10.00 per student. If you have more than one child, the price is 7.00 for each additional child. Food and entertainment will be provided. The night begins at 5:30pm and ends at 8:00 pm. The date is Friday, December 13th.

Mark Your Calendar:

Upcoming Dates for the First Semester:

- Dec. 9-13 Holiday Shop
- Dec. 11 Winter Concert (5:00 - 7pm)
- Dec. 12 School Smiles - all day
- Dec. 13 Coffee on the Curb (9:30 am)
- Dec. 13 Parents Night Out (5:30 - 8:00 pm)
- Dec. 20 30 Minute Early Release
- Dec. 23-Jan. 3 Winter Break - no school
- Jan. 17 End of Quarter 2
- Jan. 20 MLK Day - No school
- Jan. 21 Professional Development Day (no school for students)
- Jan. 22 Records Day - no school for students



Thank you parents for always coming out and supporting our students and the school! We love you!

