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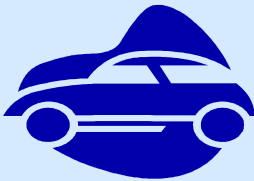
School Pictures Scheduled for Tuesday, August 30

School pictures will be taken by Holland Studios for the yearbook and parents to purchase. The photos will be taken on Tuesday August 30. Students should wear their uniforms and best smile for the pictures.



Middle School Meet the Teacher Night Is Tonight

Don't miss **Meet the Teacher Night** tonight, August 23, for grades 6-8. We will begin with a general meeting in the Fellowship Hall, then, break out to the homerooms following the general session. After a 20 minute homeroom meeting parents may visit the other subject teacher's classrooms. Just a reminder - the meeting is for parents only. Please join us for this extremely informative evening.



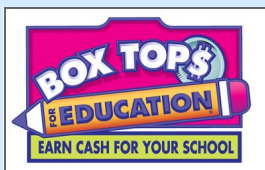
Notes from the Car Line

During morning drop off, children should exit the car on the curb side only. Exiting on the traffic side is a potential hazard we should avoid. Our staff will be there to assist your child if needed to exit the car safely.



Labels for Education

CDS-PTF (Parent Teacher Fellowship) collects Labels for Education! This is a program that helps schools obtain free education merchandise in exchange for proofs of purchase. In addition to the Campbell's brands there are hundreds of other products that are redeemable. Labels for Education is holding a promotion with a chance to win a Technology Makeover for the school. Simply clip the labels and send them to school. Use this link to get an extra entry <http://campbellsoup.promotionexpert.com/lfe/c/e49453469>. We have redeemed the labels for great items including PE and playground equipment.



Box Tops for Education

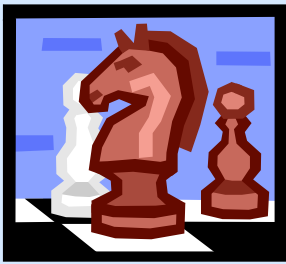
CDS-PTF also collects Box Tops for Education! Simply clip the Box Tops logo on the items you purchase and send them to school with your child or drop them by the school office. Last year CDS earned over \$1,000 from Box Tops alone. Let's do it again this year!



Lunch Ordering

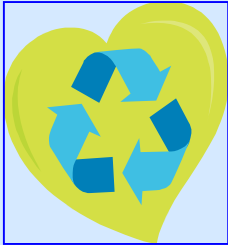
The new hot lunch rotisserie style chicken and veggies from Corky's were a hit on Monday. We even heard the green beans were great! So, we have extended the deadline to order lunches for September until August 29. Lunch can be ordered at www.cdsthunder.com. The website will give you detailed instructions about the lunch offerings, how to place your order and pay for it. Lunch ordering for August is now closed. If you have any questions about lunches, email Teri Ford at teriford@centraldayschool.com or call 255-8204.

"You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy, at Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore." Psalm 16:11



Chess Registration

Kindergartners through eighth graders are invited to learn to play chess on Wednesdays at lunch time beginning September 7. Chess Club is under the direction of Beckie Levatino, an experienced chess teacher at CDS. The first semester of chess is instructional and the second semester is tournament competition. **The cost is \$35 per child per semester.** Registration/permission forms are available online at the cdsthunder.com website. You should pay online thru E-giving. The deadline to sign up is Friday, September 2.



Moms In Touch at Central Day School

Join other CDS moms meeting to pray each Wednesday for our students, teachers, administration, and school. The first Moms In Touch will meet on **Wednesday, September 7, at 8:15-9:00 a.m. in the Chapel.** The purpose of Moms in Touch International: To intercede for our children through prayer and to pray that our schools may be guided by biblical values and high moral standards. The goal of Moms in Touch International: To see every school in the world covered with prayer. *"Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord ... Lift up your hands toward Him for the lives of your children."* Lamentations 2:19



Family Chapel

Parents are invited to a family chapel each semester so we may worship together as a school family. Please mark your calendar for a special Family Chapel—Day of Remembrance on September 9 at 8:30 a.m. commemorating the 10th anniversary of September 11. Join us in praying for our country and its leaders and honoring those who serve to protect our cities and nation.



Central Church Scout Troop

Central Church sponsors a Cub Scout Troop. Boys in grades 1-5 are invited to the Buzz Up meeting at school on Wednesday, August 24 at 2:45. Your sons will be given a take home flyer with the info if you're interested in learning more about Scouts. The kickoff meeting for Scouts is September 6 in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m.



MOPS and MOM2MOM Kickoff

Central Church offers opportunities for moms to enjoy fellowship with other moms through two programs beginning later this month. One is MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) and the other is MOM2MOM (Mothers of School Age Children). To find out more about these programs, Bible studies for women and the aerobics and fitness programs for women, go to www.centralchurch.com/adults/women.



Handbook Highlight

We are happy to have parents join their child for lunch. Please remember to stop by the office and have the secretary call the teacher to send your child to the lunch area. Or, if you are visiting the classroom at lunch, parents should stop by the office and sign in before going to the classroom. Also, if you are checking your child out early, please wait in the office for your child so we know they made contact with you.

Safety Day

We like to begin the year with a review and training for our students on safety protocols for school and home. These include certain emergency situations that can happen at school. On Safety Day we will practice our emergency procedures for an earthquake, tornado, building-wide lock-down, and fire drill. Teachers will be discussing and practicing these procedures with the students so they will be ready for our school-wide Safety Day.

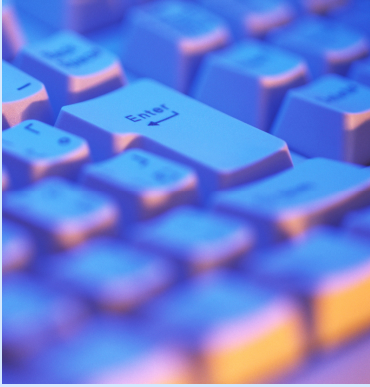


Music Lessons for CDS Students

Private music lessons are being offered by Anne Frey who teaches piano, harp and voice. Anne is an accomplished musician, professional harpist, and the mother of two CDS students, Madison and Meredith. Students will be given weekly lessons during recess, lunch or study hall. A recital will be held in December and May. The primary teacher will be Anne Frey. You may contact Anne for more information at annefrey@centralchurch.com.

An “Instant Message” from Cheryl Gradone

Doughnut Day



J.P and I both grew up going to church: Sunday mornings, Sunday nights, and Wednesday nights. When we were expecting our first child as married college students, we drove forty-five minutes each way to our church from the college campus. We loved our church and would not have missed a service! Our first child was born. Getting ready for church was not too challenging. Our second child was born, and while he was an infant, it was still not too challenging to get ready for church. But, they grew. The challenges of getting a four-year-old and two-year-old ready for church began! Every Sunday morning was absolute chaos! By the time we were all dressed for church, we had experienced WWII! Wow! That was no way to head to church to worship God in the “beauty of holiness”! We were miserable and felt like hypocrites as we put on our smiles just before walking into church. We knew this was not pleasing the Lord, but we felt helpless in our own strength to change. Then, something changed. J.P. took on

the added responsibility of bringing doughnuts to church each week which meant he had to leave early to go buy doughnuts, bringing added chaos. I cried out to the Lord for help to bring order to this craziness on Sunday mornings. Soon after, a life-changing idea popped into my head while I was standing in the kitchen on a Sunday morning right in the midst of all that chaos. I called my precious little munchkins to the kitchen (and they were so very cute), and told them, “If you’ll get dressed for church very quickly, you can go with Daddy to get doughnuts!” That idea changed everything! They were so excited about going with Daddy that they were dressed in just a few minutes, without fighting. A miracle had occurred at the Gradone’s! We actually went to church in peace that morning! Not only did we begin a new, peace-loving routine that Sunday morning, we also established a long-held tradition of “Doughnut Day” for the next 20 years. Not only that, we were able to defeat a very common problem that occurs in many Christian homes just like it did in our home. I know the Lord was pleased with us, and we were then able to go forth with sincerity of heart, establishing the joy of going to church to worship our loving God.

When you cry out to the Lord, He hears you and answers you in practical ways, not just for going to church, but for every area of your life. His desire for you is to live in peace, especially in the most vital place of your life: in your home. If you identify with this story and your life with your children is like mine was, take a step of faith, cry out to the Lord. He wants to help you and bring peace and order to your home with many other blessings as well.

Psalm 101:1-3

¹I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

²I will ponder the way that is blameless.
Oh when will you come to me?

I will walk with integrity of heart
within my house;

³I will not set before my eyes
anything that is worthless.



Growing Seasons and Empowering Kids for Life Support Programs

Central Church Counseling Ministry offers two excellent support programs for children. In today’s Informer you will find flyers about Growing Seasons, a program for children ages 4 through 12 who are experiencing divorce and other losses and Empowering Kids for Life, a program for children ages 8 through 11 to help them understand addictions and how to prevent them. The parent orientation and registration deadline for Growing Seasons is September 8. The registration deadline for Empowering Kids is August 25. For more information contact Jean Brunson at jeanbrunson@centralchurch.com or call 492-1627.

Looking Ahead . . .

August 31—Safety Day, more news next week

September 5— Labor Day, No School

7—Chess Begins

9—Family Chapel, Day of Remembrance, 8:30 a.m. in the Worship Center

18—PTF Welcome Back Picnic on the Church Grounds, 4:30—6:30