



CENTRAL DAY SCHOOL INFORMER

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CDS Christmas Program

Thursday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center

Students in grades 1-5 and performing arts students in grades 6-8 will be participating in our annual Christmas Program on Thursday night, December 15 at 7:00. Everyone is welcome to this entertaining program featuring our student body sharing a gospel-themed message. Students in grades 1—5 should meet in their classrooms by 6:30 p.m. Performing Arts students should meet in the music room no later than 6:15 p.m. Please keep in mind, this program is mandatory for students in grades 1—5 and performing arts students in grades 6-8 as it is part of their grade for the second quarter. An unexcused absence will result in a letter grade reduction. An excused absence will meet the criteria outlined in the CDS handbook.

Christmas Program Attire - Please direct questions to Mrs. Land at susanland@centraldayschool.com

- Tops for grades 2, 3, and 5—Students in grades 2, 3, and 5 should wear their CDS field trip/activity shirt. They may wear a white long sleeve t-shirt underneath if they like.
- Tops for grades 1 and 4—Students in grades 1 and 4 should wear a white t-shirt, either long or short-sleeved, and the school will provide a colored t-shirt to wear over it.
- Pants for all grades—All students should wear jeans in good repair—no holes or tears.
- Shoes for all grades—All students should wear athletic shoes.

Please note kindergarten and Visual Arts students are not performing in this program.



CDS Christmas Break December 19—January 2

Early Dismissal This Friday @ 12:15 p.m.

Students will be dismissed this Friday, December 16 at 12:15 p.m. Central Learning Center offers Holiday Care through the Christmas Break for families who need it. If you would like to get additional information or make a reservation for your child, call 255-8133.



Candy Cane Grams—A Fun & Friendly Way to Say Merry Christmas!

Tomorrow, Wednesday, December 14, is the last day to purchase Candy Cane Grams from the CDS Student Council. A Candy Cane Gram is a candy cane with a note attached that wishes the recipient a “Merry Christmas” from the sender, personalized with names. For grades 3—8, Candy Cane Grams can be purchased individually and personalized for \$1. For grades K—2, parents or teachers can purchase a class set of candy canes for \$20. A class set is 25 candy canes with extras for parents to distribute however they wish. (Students in K-2 will not be able to purchase individual Candy Cane Grams.) Student Council reps will have a table set up to take orders 7:45 until 8:00 a.m. at the top of the stairwell used for morning entry. Orders will also be taken from noon until 12:15 outside Mrs. Bradshaw’s room. Candy Cane Grams are pre-ordered and will be delivered on December 16. If you need more info, please contact Mrs. Bradshaw at amybradshaw@centraldayschool.com.



Second Semester Lunches Begin January 9

Lunches for January will be served beginning Monday, January 9. The first week back after the Christmas break, you will need to send a lunch for your child. The last day to order January lunches is Thursday, January 5.

Note from the Library

Please make sure all library books are turned in and outstanding fines have been paid as soon as possible.



Thank You for Lunch!

The Faculty and Staff would like to thank the PTF for the wonderful Christmas Teacher's Luncheon last Friday. It was delicious! A special thanks to Twana Russell, Sebrana Hughes, and the great team of moms who decorated and made desserts. Also special thanks to the parents who came and sat in the classrooms making it possible for the teachers to enjoy lunch together. Our parents are the BEST!



CDS Spelling Bee—New Dates for In-School Bee

Students will be participating in classroom spelling bees after the first of the year. Practice lists for each student in grades 1-8 were sent home last week. Please review and practice these words with your child. This is a great activity to do over the Christmas Holidays. Please make a note, the dates for the in-school bee have been changed to Wednesday, February 1, for grades 5—8 and Thursday, February 2, for grades 1—4. The ACSI District Bee dates are the same.



Carline Safety and Courtesy

In the afternoon carline, we are having an issue with drivers attempting to merge into the carline from the Houston Levee entrance. Please cue up in carline from the east driveway, and do not attempt to merge with the line that already exists. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.



Birthday Party for Jesus

On Friday, December 16, we will celebrate Jesus' birthday with a program in the Worship Center at 10 a.m. Each class or grade level participated in a special service project for Christmas. During the program the students will share what they did and how it impacted them. Parents are welcome. While the program is happening, room parents will be able to decorate the classrooms for the Christmas parties that will follow the program. Parties begin at 11:00 a.m.

**Friday is an out-of-uniform day. We are encouraging students in grades K—5 to dress nicely for their Christmas parties. Students may wear jeans, but no holes or tears and no t-shirts with inappropriate graphics or writing. Middle school students are having a Renaissance Fair and should dress Renaissance costumes for their party.*



Recipes for Success

In today's Informer for grades 2—5 is a "Recipes for Success" activity sheet. These are fun activities for parents and students to do together during the holidays.

Re-Enrollment Packets for 2011-2013

Re-enrollment packets for the 2012-2013 school year were mailed out last week. Make sure to review all the enclosed material. Please note the changes to monthly payment plans. There will be two informational meetings in January to answer your questions regarding the changes. The first meeting is Sunday, January 8 at 4:30 p.m. and the second is Tuesday, January 10 at 6:30 p.m. The early re-enrollment deadline is January 31. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Stephens at lindastephens@centraldayschool.com.

CDS Thunder Basketball News



Girls' record 12/3

1 & 2 Thompson- W
3 & 4 Patrick - L
3 & 4 Bratton - L

Boys' record 12/3

1 & 2 Key- L
1 & 2 Nelson- W
3 & 4 McKnight- W (OT)
3 & 4 Jones- W

Girls' record 12/10

1 & 2 Thompson- L
3 & 4 Patrick- L
3 & 4 Bratton- W

Boys' record 12/10

1 & 2 Key- W
1 & 2 Nelson- L
3 & 4 McKnight- W
3 & 4 Jones- W

Shop the Crosswalk for Your Christmas Gifts!

Central's Crosswalk bookstore has great Christmas gifts like Bibles, journals, and devotionals—all on sale this month. See the flyer in today's Informer for a coupon for 25% off any regularly priced item.

Christmas Blessings!

CDS has a goal of growing students in spiritual truth so they may be able to impact their world for Christ—even as young people! As each class worked on their service projects this semester, we have seen students grow in God's wisdom and spread the good news about Christ's love within our community. The last few weeks, our sixth grade math students have begun tutoring first graders at one of the Memphis City Schools. The project, spearheaded by Regina Moschitta, has been a blessing to everyone involved. Recently CDS students learned there was a need for food in the families of their new MCS first grade friends. CDS students, using the food donated through our Thanksgiving food drive, sacked up bags for delivery to some of the students they tutor. Below are a few responses from those families:

"Our family would like to thank you all for your kindness and generosity that you all displayed during the holiday season. Our family is going through some hard times. It made our hearts glad to know that someone was kind enough to pick our family for a food basket. You all have been a true blessing and we thank you so very much."

"My family and I appreciate the bags of food over the holiday week. It really came in handy. Your generosity overwhelmed us, we are thankful to have people like you take the time to do a nice thing. You have no idea how much it means to my family. Again thank you for your thoughtfulness."

"To the wonderful thoughtful givers- Our family would like to thank you for the wonderful donation that was given to our family, that not only made it special but also plentiful. Thanks for blessing us and may God continue to bless you."



"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

Central Church Children's Ministry invites kids to celebrate Jesus' birthday during Sunday School for both services Sunday morning, December 18th.



Celebrate the Season at Central—Church Holiday Service Schedule

Family Christmas Eve Services—Saturday, December 24 @ 4 and 6 p.m. in the Worship Center

Christmas Day Service—Sunday, December 25 @ 10 a.m.

New Year's Eve Service-Open Communion from 4 –5:30 p.m. Service @ 6 p.m. Open Communion @ 10 p.m.

New Year's Day Service—Sunday, January 1 @ 10 a.m.

No childcare is provided for these services.



Making Christmas Memories with Your Family

- Pop popcorn and watch a Christmas movie with your family.
- Bake Christmas cookies and deliver them to the neighbors.
- Pray for each person you receive a Christmas card from.
- Deliver goodies to your local Fire House.
- Read the Christmas story from the Bible, Luke Chapter 2, on Christmas Eve.
- Make a hand-made Christmas card for your Grandparents or special friends.
- Pray for missionaries and their families as they celebrate Christmas in another country.