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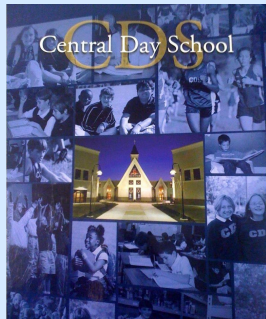
CDS Christmas Program

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.



CDS Yearbooks - Order by This Friday, December 9, for Best Price

Reserve your yearbook now and save \$10. Yearbooks must be ordered and paid for in advance. The school does not always receive extra yearbooks, so don't take any chances or you may miss out! The cost is \$40 per book. The deadline for ordering is Friday, December 9. Yearbooks may be ordered by completing an order form and returning with payment (cash or checks made payable to CDS). They may also be purchased on-line at cdsthunder.com. Yearbooks purchased after December 9 will be \$50 while supplies last. Yearbook ads may be purchased separately. Yearbooks and ads are purchased on separate order forms. If you have any questions about ordering yearbooks, contact Teri Ford at teriford@centraldayschool.com.

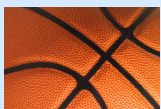
CDS Yearbook Ads—A Great Way to Create a Memory

The Central Day School yearbook is a great way for companies to promote their products and services to students and their families. Parents and grandparents may also purchase an ad to send a personal keepsake message to their child/grandchild. Any individual, company, or business purchasing a sponsorship will be given an area in the back of the book to display a message, logo, and information. The CDS Yearbook will be released in May of 2012.

The following ad sizes are offered:

- Eighth page (4 ¼" W X 2 ¾" H) - \$50
- Quarter page (4 ¼" W X 5 ½" H) - \$75
- Half page (8 ½" W X 5 ½" H) \$100 - The ½ page space is reserved for 8th grade parents only.

Ads will be composed at no additional charge. You will receive a proof copy of your ad before the yearbook goes to print. We must receive approval before the ad will be printed, so parents will be required to respond promptly to proof approvals. Logos may be submitted in jpeg format by emailing it to the yearbook editor, Jenny Asbury at jennyasbury@centraldayschool.com or you may send logo and/or copy to the school office in an envelope to the attention of Jenny Asbury. Do not staple logo or business card to this form - staples might leave holes or tear artwork. To print the ad order form, go to the centraldayschool.com homepage and click on CDS Yearbook Ad Form.



Kindergarten Basketball Registration Deadline Wednesday

Tomorrow, Wednesday, December 7, is the final deadline to register for kinderball. Parents should register at www.cdsthunder.com.



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

The CDS Student Council is selling Candy Cane Grams from Thursday, December 8—Wednesday, December 14. 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.) Order forms were included in today’s Informer. Student Council reps will have a table set up to take orders every morning from 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, contact Mrs. Bradshaw at amybradshaw@centraldayschool.com.



40 Degree Policy

If the temperature or wind chill factor is 40 degrees or below, students will not go out to recess. On those cold days, teachers will plan to have an indoor recess with activities in the classroom, gym, or track for exercise. We will have some chilly days ahead so please remember to dress students appropriately with jackets for the afternoon temperatures at recess time. Also, please mark your child’s jackets, sweaters, or other outerwear items with their name, so if lost, they can be claimed.



CDS Christmas Piano and Harp Recital

Central Day School students who are taking piano and harp lessons from Anne Frey, Ginger Hendrick, Cheryl Maccarino, and Lana Brown will perform at their first Christmas Music Recital on Sunday, December 18, at 3:00 p.m. at Germantown Plantation Senior Living. Come and enjoy!



Central Church’s Christmas Musical Celebration

Your family is invited to celebrate the season of our Savior’s birth with the Central Church Choir and Orchestra on Friday, December 9, at 7 p.m. in the Worship Center. This year’s musical event, “One Child”, will feature Christmas music for every taste from traditional classics to new favorites. The KIDZPRAISE children’s choir will perform at 6:15. Come and celebrate the season!

Go Thunder Basketball!

All basketball schedules for the ESCRA and PAA leagues can now be found on the www.cdsthunder.com website.



CDS Spelling Bee P-R-A-C-T-I-C-E Lists

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 in today’s Informer. Please review and practice these words with your child. This is a great activity to do over the Christmas Holidays.

Middle School Exam Schedule

Middle schoolers will be taking semester exams the mornings of December 7, 8, and 9. In the afternoon students will have study halls and specialty classes. Students in performing arts will also have rehearsals. In the past students have been allowed to check out, but this year we would like all students to stay for the afternoon classes. Your child will receive a copy of the exam schedule this week. The exam schedule can be seen in your child’s digital locker or on the home page of www.centraldayschool.com.



Library books are due this Friday for the first semester. Any overdue book fines should also be paid by the end of the week. Please keep in mind report cards for the first semester are held for any outstanding fines or tuition payments.

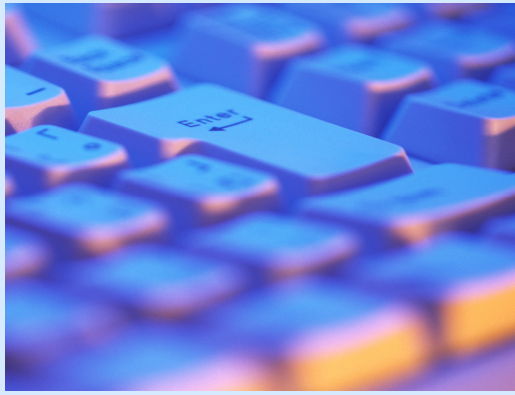
Way to Go! The CDS 7th grade class won the highest percentage attendance at the B & N Bookfair last month! An ice cream party will be coming your way in January. **Congratulations!**

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. A gift certificate to the Crosswalk is a perfect gift idea for that hard-to-shop-for person on your list!

Instant Messages by Cheryl Gradone-cherylbgradone@yahoo.com *Bridging the Gap*

There is a thirteen-year age span from our first child to our fifth. Being thirteen and getting a new baby sister is not the easiest adjustment to make! But, here came our new baby girl, cute as a button. Of course, her brothers and sisters loved her, even taking turns carrying her around in the baby sling. It was awesome to watch as our kids folded in another baby. For the first year, the baby stayed with me, *on me*, in that baby sling almost twenty-four hours a day. It was also during her first year that J.P. began to travel Monday through Friday to Kentucky from Sarasota. In spite of being home alone with the kids those months, we had a great time together. The time came for us to pack up and move to Kentuckiana (what the Louisville, Kentucky/Indiana border area is called, we lived on the Indiana side of Louisville). Our school-age kids were all enrolled in school shortly after we moved into our new home. The school bus stop was directly in front of our front yard, about 30 feet from our front door, next to our mailbox. The kitchen window looked out onto the front yard so I had a perfect view of the bus when the kids got on in the mornings and off in the afternoons. As school bus schedules go, the bus was on time every day of the week, morning and afternoon. The younger daughters were only three and one



when we moved. One dream my oldest child always had was to have sisters. So far, she only got brothers! She never would have imagined that she would get them, or that they would be thirteen and eleven years younger. My heart's desire was that these three sisters would someday form a bond between them like I had with my sisters who are closer in age to me. It seemed almost impossible with their age differences and with them being apart all day because of school. One day the bus was approaching our house, climbing up the steep hill that we lived on. I quickly got my two baby girls and ran out onto the little front porch. We sat down together like we had been waiting for her there a long time. I was whispering in their ears all that time telling them that when their big sister got off the bus, we were going to run out to her and scream as she walked up the yard, throwing our arms around her in welcome home. In that moment, I knew it would be my task for the many years to come to

bridge the age gap between these three daughters of mine. It worked! Our middle daughter was just recently married. If you could have seen the look on my oldest daughter's face, it would tell you the whole story. She felt so close to her sisters! What a beautiful sight to see one dressed as a bride, the other two attending to her so carefully and lovingly! Even as I write this, my heart swells with joy to tears at the sight of the relationships between my three daughters. What an awesome privilege to have been the bridge builder! Oh the joy to see my children walking in truth and in love with one another. The feeling in my heart is full to overflowing at the thought of relationships my children have with one another. Will you be the bridge builder for your children? Will they love one another based on the work you do as a parent? I pray your children will have a strong sense of relationship in your family whether they are an only child or one of many children.

1 Thessalonians 5:13b be at peace among yourselves.

Ephesians 4:2-3 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.



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.



Central Church Activity Day at Incredible Pizza in Cordova for 4th—6th Graders

The Children's Ministries of Central Church will be hosting an activity day for 4th—6th graders the first day of Christmas Break, Monday, December 19 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. The cost is \$10 and includes buffet, drink and a game card. Space is limited. For more information or to register your child by December 12 click this link

www.x9solutions.com/e/register/681.

Fill up and complete my joy by living in harmony and being of the same mind and one in purpose, having the same love, being in full accord and of one harmonious mind and intention. Philippians 2:2