



CENTRAL DAY SCHOOL INFORMER

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Basketball Registration Final Deadline Tomorrow, October 12

The final day to register for grades 1—8 is Wednesday, October 12. Parents who would like to register their child for basketball must register students on-line at www.cdsthunder.com. If you need assistance with registration, contact Teri Ford at teriford@centraldayschool.com. Students in grades 1 - 4 play in the ESCRA League with a registration fee of \$140. Students in grades 5-8 play in the PAA league with a registration fee of \$150. If you would like to volunteer as a coach or assistant, please contact Mr. Spice at johnspice@centraldayschool.com or Mr. Vincent at stevevincent@centraldayschool.com. Kindergartners will register for basketball in November.



Parent Teacher Conferences This Thursday, October 13,

Early Dismissal at 12:15

All parents are encouraged to schedule a conference on October 13 with your child's teacher especially if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress. Conferences are held in the classrooms. The length of the conference is 15 minutes. If a longer conference is needed, please check with your child's teacher for a convenient time. Parents of middle school students do not need to schedule a conference with every teacher. Middle school conferences should only be scheduled with the teacher of a subject where there is a concern. Sign up sheets are posted outside the classroom doors. In today's Informer there are tips designed to help parents prepare for conferences. Click on www.centraldayschool.com and view "Guidelines for a Successful Parent-Teacher Conference."



Deadline to Return Vision Screening Forms Is Tomorrow, October 12

On October 25 and 26, your child will have the opportunity to receive a basic vision screening provided by the office of Dr. Carl Flinn. **Please print and complete the permission form on the CDS website and return to school by tomorrow, Wednesday, October 12.** Children who do not submit a form will not be able to participate in the screening.



Fall Break Next Week

The CDS Fall Break is October 17-21. Be safe and have fun!



CDS Spirit Day and Pep Rally on Friday

Look for New CDS Spirit Wear Styles for Sale This Week

CDS Spirit Day is this Friday. There will be a pep rally in the Worship Center at 2:30. Parents are welcome to attend. Students are encouraged to show their school spirit by wearing an appropriate CDS school spirit shirt and jeans. The top should be a CDS activity/field trip shirt, a CDS game jersey, or other CDS uniform or CDS spirit shirt. Students must follow the guidelines for jeans day in the CDS Uniform Guidelines in the Quick Links. CDS spirit wear will also be for sale tomorrow and Thursday in the lobby of the Education building before school from 7:30 - 8:30 and on Wednesday afternoon from 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Parents can shop before or after car line. After Thursday morning, shirts will be on sale in the office.



Report Cards Sent Home Today

Report Cards for the first quarter were sent home with your child today. The report card is generated from TeacherEase, our school's grade management program. You should keep the report card for your records. The envelope should be signed and returned to school so the teacher knows you received the report card. Parents can review your child's grades on-line on an on-going basis through TeacherEase. If you have any questions about logging in, contact Judy McLaughlin at judymclaughlin@centraldayschool.com.

"You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy." Psalm 16:11

Room Parent Volunteers for 2011-2012



We are pleased to have so many parents volunteer to serve as room parents this year. It takes many of our parents volunteering for field trips, parties, and classroom activities to make a successful year. Throughout the year the room parents will be contacting you about these and other opportunities to serve in the classroom. Parent volunteers are a blessing to our school!

KA Mrs. Lindsey—Victoria Hickerson, Jennifer Sisson, and Alisa Waltz

KB Mrs. Julie—April Harris and Alisha Steele

1A Mrs. Stone—Terra McFadin

1B Mrs. Daws—Stephanie Jacques

2A Mrs. Blackwell—Tabitha Curtis and Wuday Thomas

2B Mrs. Reckord—Gina Harris

3A Mrs. Groth—Marlo Bratton and Amy Carr

3B Mrs. Hicks—Sebrena Hughes and Karter Raine

4A Mrs. Bowles—Audie Leslie

4B Mrs. Ball—Tandrea Tabb and Debra Carmical

5A Mrs. Bradshaw—Victoria Hickerson and Jennifer Sisson

5B Mrs. Byrd—Becky Brawner and Britt Palmer

6A Mrs. Forney—Jennie Binkley and Sharon Williams

6B Mrs. Jobe—Heather Hickman

7th Mrs. Taylor-Hodum—Cassie Turner

8th Mrs. Hughes—Celeste Waldrup



Congratulations, CDS Student Council Officers for 2011-2012!

President—Keely Cox

Vice President—Sherrie Pak

Treasurer—Dwight Moore

Secretary—Rana Rad

Chaplain—Richmond Jeffers

The first meeting for new representatives and officers is this Thursday at 7:15 a.m. in Mrs. Bradshaw's classroom.

CDS, CLC, and PDO Open Houses for Prospective Families

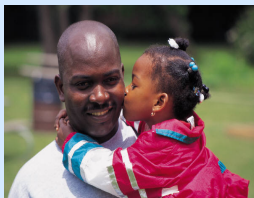
Invite your family, friends, and neighbors who are looking for a great Christian school to visit one of our Open Houses in November. Please help spread the good word about the strong foundation and enduring values offered in our preschool and school programs. Open House dates are Sunday, November 6 from 2—4 p.m. and Tuesday, November 8 from 10-11:30 a.m. For more information contact Linda Stephens at lindastephens@centraldayschool.com.



Meet Me at the River October 28-30

This exciting annual retreat for 5th and 6th graders at Shelby Forest State Park is sponsored by the Central Church Children's Ministries for children to build relationships with each other, their counselors and especially God. The cost is \$35 per child. To learn all the retreat details and register click this link <https://www.x9solutions.com/e/register/628>.

PTF will announce the Sponsorship Drive results and winner of the off-campus lunch in the Informer after Fall Break.



Central Church All Pro Dad's Breakfast

CDS Dads and their kids are invited to a free breakfast on All Pro Dad's Day Tuesday, November 1 from 7:30 until 8:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All Pro Dad's Day is a monthly breakfast held before school where fathers from the community meet with other dads and kids to spend time together. They discuss a wide range of family topics, create fun memories, and strengthen relationships. The All Pro Dad organization was started by former NFL football coach, Tony Dungy. For more info see the All Pro Dad's link at www.centraldayschool.com. You must RSVP to attend.



Substitute Teachers Needed

CDS needs subs for our substitute teacher list. Qualified candidates should hold a college degree, have teaching experience, and love the Lord as well as working with children. Those interested in applying should contact Lisa Crisp for an application at lisacrisp@centraldayschool.com.

Central Day School Food Drive kicks off October 26 . . . Start checking the pantry during Fall Break!

Change What Can Be Changed

In the summer of 1994, the Gradone family, all seven of us, packed all our household belongings into a moving van, loaded up the family van and headed out on a week-long journey to our new home in Floyds Knobs, Indiana. Prior to this journey, JP had been commuting early Monday mornings through Friday late afternoons, from Sarasota, Florida, to Louisville, KY, for a total of five months. At the time his commute began, our youngest was eight months old and our oldest thirteen years old. I had never lived outside the state of Florida before, so this was going to be an adventure for me. The first year in Indiana was a year of transition with the many challenges of making friends, finding a new church, and adjusting to JP's travel schedule which was a surprising change in his work schedule. He was gone between three and four nights a week. Meanwhile, I was determined to keep the home fires burning for our family by maintaining life as usual which meant we had hot meals together for breakfast and a hot meal together for dinner. With our children being so spread apart in age, the family schedule was very busy. At the time, I was also homeschooling our middle child, which was a wonderful experience—at least that first year. The following year, about six weeks after school began, I noticed that I was feeling more tired than usual, to the point that I was actually having pain in my chest. I was only thirty-six at the time, so I ignored those pains until one day I found myself reacting to one of my children in a very extreme way, which was unusual.



I was not complaining about my husband being gone. I just made up my mind that I was going to do the best I could to keep life as normal as possible for our kids so maybe they would not feel the absence of their dad as much. I was working myself to a frazzle. My focus was very much on my kids. I did not realize that my body was wearing down. One day it came to the surface. My precious little four-year-old daughter was simply asking me something and I snapped. I grabbed her little arms. My teeth were grinding together. I do not know what I would have done if I had not, in that very moment, heard the Lord say to me, "Cheryl, what are you doing?" Suddenly, it was as if I was watching someone else holding my daughter's arms. I looked at those hands grabbing hers and I immediately let go. She had never seen me do that. In those days, there were no cell phones, no pagers, and no internet. My precious, sweet husband never gave me his itinerary either! I had to hunt him down at each location to finally get him on the phone. Those big brown eyes of hers did not know what to think of her mother acting that way. In desperation I told him he had to help me right then or I thought I would lose my mind or hurt our children. He asked me two questions that were the wisest he could have

asked me. "Cheryl, what things cannot be changed in your life right now?" And, "What things can you change in your life right now?" His traveling job could not be changed, but, I could make a change for our son for school. It might sound simple to you, but, that one change made all the difference for me and our children, even though homeschooling my son was the greatest pleasure and joy for me. I immediately called the local elementary school and had my son enrolled. By the end of the week he was going to school and I was on the way to gaining my strength back. I thank God for a wise husband! This wisdom has continued to help me since that time. When the pressure is on, sometimes changes must be made. So, I change what I can, and accept what I cannot change. I can honestly say that I never resented J.P.'s traveling. Rather, I chose to give thanks to God for it. Through those years of his traveling, the Lord allowed trials and tests to make me into a different person: stronger in prayer, longer in the Word, and a victor over the struggles.

James 1:2-5 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

Romans 8:37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.



THUNDER Sports News

Cross Country results for 9/29:

5/6 Girls—Team placed 3rd with Karen Williams placing 6th out of 52 runners
CDS girls had 3 runners in the top 20 and 6 runners in the top 25!

5/6 Boys –Team placed 4th with Jesse Brawner placing 15th out of 48 runners

Volleyball Results:

Volleyball results for 10/10:

7/8 vs St. Francis - CDS won

5/6 vs St. Paul - CDS won

Looking Ahead . . .

November 6 & 8 - Open Houses for Prospective Families

7 - Teacher In-Service—*No School*

11 - Goodies with Grandparents, 1:30

15 - Geography Bee for grades 3-8