



# Principal's Page

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## **WELCOME BACK!**

We are looking forward to a wonderful year with both old and new faces. If you see a new teacher or parent you don't know on campus, be sure to introduce yourself. Together we can make this a memorable school year.

## **GARDEN HELP**

A huge thank you to Elizabeth McLeod for preparing our community garden for a fall harvest. Unfortunately, her schedule has changed and she is no longer able to maintain the garden. If you have a love for gardening and you can lend a helping hand to keep our garden program alive, please give Mr. Zeisler a call as soon as possible at 346-2153 ext.202

## **TRIPLE P PARENTING CLASSES**

Chicago Park School District will be hosting *The Power of Positive Parenting Class* for parents of children ages 2-12, beginning in early September. Please see the back of this Principal's Page for details.

## **MURAL**

The beautiful tile mural under construction in the playground area is in need of some bright green high fire tiles. If you have a source for these tiles, please let us know in the office. Thank you.

## **CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT**

The character trait we are focusing on this first trimester is SELF-CONTROL. Students will be learning about the importance of self-control at school, at home and in other social arenas. As we've done in past years, we will discuss this trait at Friday morning flag ceremonies (which the community is always encouraged to attend), and then teachers will weave the concept of self-control into of their everyday curriculum.

## **HELP, HELP, HELP HELP!**

Now that we have a state-of-the-art website, we are looking for a volunteer to keep our site updated. Complete training is available. Helping us fill this void would be GREATLY APPRECIATED. Please call the office if you can help.

## **NEVADA COUNTY ATHLETICS UPDATE**

The first after school sports of the year will be girls' basketball (grades 6-8) coached by Robin Jacobson, and Cross-Country (grades 4-8) coached by parent Matthew Greene. There will be a parent meeting for Cross Country on Monday, August 27th, under the shade structure at 3:00 pm. Permission slips must be turned in prior to your child starting practice. A \$50 donation is asked from each participant to help defer the costs of operating these programs.

## **E-WASTE FUNDRAISER**

Chicago Park PTA would like to remind everyone that on August 25<sup>th</sup>, from 9am till 1 pm, CEAR will be here collecting e-waste. For more information you may pick up a flyer in the office or contact Sue Ramey at 273-2004.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

In case you missed it at Back to School Night, were you aware that many of our 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade science and social studies text books are available to access on-line? For more information, contact your child's classroom teachers.

## **NURTURED HEART APPROACH**

After piloting this positive school management program last year, we have officially decided to adopt Nurtured Heart in the Chicago Park School District. To learn more about the program, feel free to make an appointment with Mr. Zeisler, or, consider purchasing the book, *Notching Up, the Nurtured Heart Approach*, by Howard Glasser. It is available at Amazon.com for about \$10.

## **2012/13 STUDENT COUNCIL**

Our elected student officials for the upcoming school year are: President – **Courtney Schmidt**; Vice-President – **Cora O'Sullivan**; Secretary – **Reese Wheeler**; Treasurer – **Halle Neumann**; Sergeant At Arms – **Ryan Wildman**; Commissioner of Dance – **Ivy MacLeod**.

## **COPY VOLUNTEER**

The teachers are seeking an individual that can donate one part-day a week to make copies for them. With budget cuts to aide time, this service would be greatly appreciated and allow teachers more planning time for their students