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PERTUSSIS IMMUNIZATION

All students entering the 7th grade for the 2013/14 school year are required to turn in proof of a pertussis booster, also known as Tdap, prior to the first day of school. Any student that does not meet this state mandate will be excluded from attendance; therefore we are asking parents to obtain the pertussis booster before May 4th. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 346-2153.

STAR WRITING TEST

The state requires that we administer a writing test to students in grades 4 and 7. This year's testing date is Tuesday, March 5th. If you have a child in the 4th or 7th grade, make sure he/she gets a good night's sleep followed by a healthy breakfast on test day. Also, please make sure that you avoid scheduling doctor appointments or other engagements before noon on March 5th. These test scores are registered on your child's permanent records. Thank you.

PARK AND WALK

With longer days and warmer weather right around the corner, I'd like to remind everyone about our Park and Walk to School Trail. We encourage families to park in the gravel area down from the post office and walk with your child to school at least once a week. What a wonderful way to begin the day, having family conversation time and getting some exercise at the same time.

YEARBOOKS ON SALE!

The Chicago Park School District yearbook is on sale now for \$11.81 and includes two free pages you can personalize with your own photos and memories. Unfortunately there will not be any yearbooks available to purchase on the last day of school so be sure to order yours now.

To order on line: Go to treering.com, click register and enter in the school pass code 1013147308501470. Follow the instructions given.

To order by phone: The number is 877-755-8733, select option 1. You can pay by check or credit/debit card.

Deadline to order: April 15th for customized pages
May 6th final purchase date

SCHOOL SURVEY

We would like to give a heartfelt thank you to the many families that returned surveys to the school. It is by far, the best participation rate we've ever had. Once the data has been disaggregated, results will become available to the public. We anticipate that will be by mid-March.

After briefly skimming most of the surveys, one thing I did notice was the lack of community awareness pertaining to character trait certificates. For those who don't know, at the end of each trimester, when we bring a character trait we've been examining to a close, identified students that have been nominated by an adult on campus, for displaying that trait, are acknowledged with a certificate.

SCIENCE & INVENTION FAIR

Student scientific investigations will be highlighted during the upcoming Chicago Park Science Fair. Investigations inspire students to explore scientific inquiries while practicing language arts and math skills. Following are the project categories by grade level: 6th - 8th students are working on inventions. They may work in partners or individually. 4th - 5th grade students may complete an individual or partner project and are eligible for participation at the Nevada County Science Fair. Kindergarten - 3rd grade students are presenting class projects. Projects must be submitted to the Chicago Park School, Room #8, by 8:30 am on **Wednesday, March 6th**, for local judging. Projects will be available for viewing all day on **Thursday, March 7th**. The County Science Fair will take place at the Grass Valley Elks Club On Friday, March 22nd with viewing from 8:30 am – 6:30 pm. The awards ceremony will be at 6:30 pm. Science Fair guidelines and a suggested timeline may be obtained from **Mary Anne Morgan**, Science Fair Coordinator, or their classroom teacher.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

We are looking for an adult volunteer(s) to prepare and take a group of 4th-6th grade students to the annual Science Olympiad held at Magnolia School on Saturday, May 18th. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Zeisler in the school office.



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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

On Wednesday evening, March 20th, at 6:30 pm there will be an informational meeting for kindergarten parents of the 2013-14 school year. You may also pick up registration materials at the event or come to the office on Thursday, March 21st. If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten next year, please plan to attend, and if you know of a family with an upcoming kindergartener, please share this information with them. Knowing how many kindergarteners to expect is essential in our planning process for the next school year.

CLASSICAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Week of: February 25 – March 01

Composer: Bach

Piece: Brandenburg Concerto No. 1 1. Allegro

Week of: March 04 – 08

Composer: Vivaldi

Piece: "Spring" from The Four Seasons 1.

Allegro

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

25 – Boys' Bball vs Mt. St. Marys at CPS 6:00

28 – Boys' Bball Tournament Begins

MARCH CALENDAR

01 – Spelling Bee Assembly 8:45

Minimum Day 12:30 Dismissal

Trimester Ends

07 – Site Council/Charter Meeting 3:15

4th-8th Grade Report Cards Go Home

08 – Honor Roll Assembly 8:45

K-3rd Grade Report Cards Go Home

14 – Board Meeting 4:30

15 – River Cats Assembly K-3 9:00-9:30

4th-8th 9:45-10:30

20 – Kindergarten Information Meeting 6:30

21 – Kindergarten Registration:

In School Office 8:00 to 3:30

22 – Student of the Month Assembly 8:45

25-30 Spring Break No School

APRIL CALENDAR

01 – Snow Day No School

02 – School Resumes

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Article Deadline – March 04, 2013

PTA CORNER

SAVE THE DATE

March 15 – Lasagna Dinner 6:00 pm

LASAGNA DINNER/DESSERT AUCTION

On Friday, March 15th, at 6:00 pm, we will be enjoying our traditional celebration, the Annual Lasagna Dinner/Dessert Auction. The cost of dinner will be \$7.00 for adults, \$4 for children or \$20 for a family of four. We would appreciate it if you could pre-pay for your dinner tickets, as it makes it much easier to plan for food. You may make your purchase in the school office. If you have questions, please contact **Dana Winquest** at 263-8412. We hope to see there!

e-SCRIP – EASY MONEY!

We need all of our families to get straight A's in their enthusiasm to raise funds. This task will not require hours of homework but just a few minutes of your time and your grocery club card number.

1. Log onto www.eScrip.com
2. Enter the Group I.D. # 140802068
3. You can also register your debit and credit cards.
4. Use your eScrip registered cards for all your purchases.

A percentage of purchases will be automatically contributed by the merchant. That's it! It's that easy - your family shops - our school earns money!