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DID YOU MISS OPEN HOUSE?

In case you were unable to attend Open House on Thursday, it was a great evening. At my annual talk to the community before the classrooms were open, I shared the following information:

Budget – Because we are still uncertain about the funding formula as a result of the passage of Prop. 30, it is difficult to plan for next year. To do so, we are projecting a budget that reflects the same funding as this year. We will know more when the state passes its budget, hopefully by June 30.

Tentative Classroom Teacher Assignments:

K – Mrs. Morgan

1 - Mrs. Watters

2 – Ms. Colwell

3 – Ms. Jacobson

4 – Ms. Ramey/Morgan

5 – Mrs. Woodbridge

6-8 – Mr Ryan Ellis (Lang. Arts/History/P.E.) and Mrs. Kohler (Math/Science)

Kudos to our teachers, for a fabulous job of displaying student work and welcoming families into their rooms.

TALENT SHOW

It is time to get ready for the 2013 Talent Show! Dress rehearsal will be Wednesday, May 29th, from 2:10 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., and the performance will take place Thursday, May 31st, at 8:45 a.m. in the gym.

CAFETERIA HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We would like to thank everyone that has come into the office and paid their child's lunch balance. If you are unsure if you owe lunch money, please contact the school office. Reminder: Please count the days left in the year and pay for the exact number of lunches your child will need for the rest of the year. We are not able to carry money over into the next year. If you have questions concerning your child's balance, please call the school office.

WORLD HISTORY EXTRAVAGANZA

Come and visit cultures of long ago when the 6th and 7th grade classes will host a World History Extravaganza on May 22nd, at 12:50 p.m. in the gym. Come see the fantastic displays, taste the wonderful food, and learn about our world of long ago. This is a school wide event, please come and take part.

POOL PARTY!!

We will be having our end of year Pool Party! On May 30th the entire school will be going on a field trip to the Nevada City Pool, located at Pioneer Park. We will be taking a bus and leaving the school at 8:30 a.m. and returning at 12:30 p.m. Swimming will take place from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., with a picnic following until 12:00 p.m.

Lifeguards will be on duty during our swim time. Here are a few do's and do not's to ensure we all have a fun and safe time:

Do –

- Bring a life jacket or other safety device if you desire.
- Bring goggles and **small** water toys
- Bring a towel
- Bring a sack lunch (You may order one from the school lunch program up to May 21.)
- Bring sun screen

For those who don't want to swim the whole time, you may . . .

- Bring a tennis racket, tennis balls, and/or a mitt. (If you are going to play sports you must wear tennis shoes.)

Don't –

- Bring pets, squirt guns, swimming noodles or any other large water toys.

Dress Code: Bathing attire suitable for elementary age students.

COMMUNITY PICNIC

We will be hosting our annual community picnic from 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4th. Bring your picnic baskets and blankets, but please leave your pets at home. If you plan to leave with your child before 12:30 p.m., please make sure you check him/her out at the office. Thank you.

VOLUNTEER TEA

The annual Volunteer Appreciation Tea is taking place on Wednesday, May 31st at 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. under the shade structure. Invitations for the event are in this week's Friday Folder. Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly. We hope to see you on the 31st so we can let you know how much your efforts are appreciated.

HOMEWORK CLUB

The last day of Homework Club is Thursday, May 23rd.



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LIBRARY BOOKS

Early this week we sent home notices to families with library books that are past due. Please take a moment to look for these books and either return the book or pay the replacement fee by May 30th. Also, we are missing some popular titles from our library collection and would appreciate it if you would ask your child if they perhaps have a CPS library book that they forgot to check out and have them return it. Thanks.

LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost and Found is overflowing. Please check to see any of your children's misplaced items can be found there. We will be donating all unclaimed items to a local charitable organization at the end of the year. The Lost and Found is located in the school gym. We will be donating all unclaimed items to a local charity on June 5th.

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 parents must obtain the pertussis booster in order for their child to attend school in the 2013-2014 school year.** If you have any questions, please call the school office at 346-2153.

CHARTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

OPENING

We are looking for two Chicago Park Community Charter School parents to sit on the Charter School Advisory Committee for the 2013-14 school year. The Committee meets the first Tuesday of each month from 3:15-4:30 to review and discuss core and enrichment programs at the school. Individuals are also members of the District's Safety and Health & Wellness committee which meets at the same time.

COMBAT STRESS

Here are some helpful hints to help combat the stress in our busy lives:

- Get Enough Rest
- Make Time For Yourself
- Know What is Important to You
- Eat Right
- Exercise

CATAPULT BUILD

Once again, we were fortunate to have members of Sierra College as well as retired teachers from around the county donate their time and talents to conduct a catapult build for our 6th graders and other Academy students who never had the opportunity to do so. As a result, 24 students got a hands-on math and science lesson in working with lathes and drill presses, etc. to make their very own working catapult. We hope to keep this building project as a 6th grade tradition at CPSD for many years to come.

CLASSICAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Week of: May 20 – May 23

Composer: Britten

Piece: Simple Symphony 1. Boisterous Bourree

Week of: May 28 – May 31

Composer: Schubert

Piece: Octet for Winds 2. Allegro

MAY CALENDAR

22 – **History Extravaganza** 12:50 p.m.

23 – **Student of the Month** 8:45 a.m.

Trimester Ends

Minimum Day 12:30 p.m. Dismissal

24 – **Snow Day** No School

27 – **Memorial Day** No School

28 – **Boys vs Girls Vball Game** 8:45 a.m.

Winner vs Staff 10:45 a.m.

Perfect Attendance Lunch

K-3 12:00 p.m.

4-8 12:15 p.m.

29 – **8th Grade Field Trip** 7:15 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

30 – **School Pool Party** 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Student Council Speeches 1:30 p.m.

31 – **Volunteer Morning Tea** 8:00 a.m.

Talent Show 8:45 a.m.

JUNE CALENDAR

03 – **8th Grade Brunch** 10:00 a.m.

8th Grade Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

8th Grade Graduation 7:00 p.m.

04 – **Honors Assembly** 8:45 a.m.

Honors Bingo 10:45 a.m.

Community Picnic 11:30 a.m.

School Dismissal 12:30 p.m.

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