

### Cheetah Family News 2020-2021 School Year

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Dear Parents.

Parent Teacher conferences have already begun in most grades via Zoom or in person. If you have not scheduled a parent teacher conference and would like one, please contact your child's teacher. Attending the conference is essential to building a relationship with your child's teacher and letting your child know that you are invested in their education. This is a time for you to ask questions about the curriculum, assignments, grading, your child's progress, and general classroom expectations. Parent support and follow through is one of the most important factors in student growth and achievement. Below are some tips for making the most of your parent-teacher conference:

#### Before the conference

- Ask your child how they feel about school.
- Ask your child if there is anything that they want you to talk about with their teacher.
- Tell your child that you and the teacher are meeting to help them succeed.
- Prepare a list of questions or concerns such as:
- What are my child's strongest and weakest subjects?
- Is my child working up to their ability?
- Does my child hand homework in on time?
- Does my child participate in class?
- Does my child seem happy at school?
- What can I do at home to support what you are doing in the classroom?
- If you have a concern in classes such as music, PE, art or media, request that the specialty area teacher attend the conference.

#### During the conference

- Ask the most important questions first.
- Ask about your child's progress in all subjects and classes.
- Ask for explanations of anything you don't understand.
- Ask your child's teacher for ways that you can help your child at home.
- Offer to help your child's teacher either during school or at home.
- Thank the teacher.

We appreciate your involvement and support in your child's education. Our goal is for your child to succeed, and to accomplish that we need your help. Please don't hesitate to contact me or Mrs. Johnson if you have any questions or concerns. Have a wonderful fall break!

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-Dr. Garrett





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## **EMPORTANT DATES**

October 8-9<sup>th</sup>- Fall Break October 12th- No School for Students October 14th-Virtual Book Fair closes October 16th- Report Cards visible in Skyward October 27th-Picture Retakes and WCS Online Picture Day at CRES October 26th- PTO Spirit Night at Tito's November 3rd- No School for Students

It has come to our attention that some families have not been receiving emails from the Health Department informing them of the need to quarantine because the emails have been going to their SPAM folder. To prevent this from happening, we encourage

parents to take a moment and add the email NoReply.WCHD@tn.gov to their contact list or safe senders list.



The STEM lab is up and running! We are hard at work on fun and safe STEM projects for our students. We need some items for projects. Below is a link to our Signup Genius if you would like to help by picking up some items the next time you are at the story. You can send them in with your child, labeled for the STEM Lah

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080545aaa c2aa31-stem

#### Picture Retakes & Picture Sign-ups for WCS Online Students



Picture retakes will be taken on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 9-10:30. Please let your child's teacher know if you'd like a retake done. Pictures for WCS Online students will be taken on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 11-2:30. Please click the link to sign up for a time. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/1 0C0C4DA9AF2EA3FB6-cres



Student registration for the Spring 2021 semester is **now open** for students who want to transition from traditional learning to the WCS Online program; who want to transition from the WCS Online program to traditional learning; or who are enrolled in WCS Online and want to remain in WCS Online.

Those students who are currently traditional learners - which means they are learning on-campus - and want to stay that way during the Spring semester - will NOT need to fill out a form. By not completing a form, those students will automatically be counted as traditional learners for the Sprina semester.

Families will have until Wednesday, October 14 to submit their registration form via Skyward. Registration will end at 11:59 that evening, and those decisions will then be final. This will give the District time to determine both schedules and staffing before the Spring semester begins. Visit our Spring 2021 Registration page for more information.

**October is National Bullying Prevention Month** Unity Day – Wednesday, October 21, 2020 Wear and share ORANGE to stand out and show that we are together against bullying, and united for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.



Artsonia rosters have been uploaded and you should be receiving an email that we are back up and running. For new parents, Artsonia is a digital portfolio of your child's artwork through the years. You could purchase gifts for family and friends with your student's work on it. The art program gets a percentage of that money for supplies and materials. However, it is not necessary to make a purchase for your child to have a digital portfolio. This portfolio will be available to them for life! You have the option to give their personal code to friends and relatives so they can join your child's "fan club". When a new artwork is uploaded you and the fan club will be notified. Fan club members can leave encouraging notes for their favorite artist.

If you want to upload artwork from home, just enter our school code:



For the project select Free Draw. It will come to me first for approval and should be available soon after.

Or enter code number: CCKP-XCSB

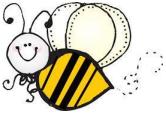
#### Classes have been learning about:

- <u>Kindergarten:</u> symmetry and texture.
- <u>1<sup>st</sup> Grade:</u> Aurora Borealis and Polar Bears
- <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:</u> human skeletons and how it works to hold us up.
- <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:</u> Learning about Dia De Los Muertos and creating our own skeletons with our names in collage.
- <u>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</u>: Learning about the Japanese artist, Yayoi Kusama. Creating our own compositions inspired by her artwork.
- <u>5th Grade</u>: Exploring optical illusions and how to create one.

Be sure to check out some of our friends' work on the following page. Their work was chosen because of they have shown great craftmanship the last two weeks!

Please let me know if you have any concerns or questions.

Thank you!



Miss B

VIRTUAL



Jack Cruz, Kindergarten



Emily Townsend, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Skeleton



Addison Geiss, <sup>3rd</sup> Grade, Warm/Cool Zentangle Tree





Valerie Arenas, Kindergarten



Atticus Murdoch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Beautiful Opps!



Katie Lely, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Edward Hopper inspired Composition



Dawson Wright, l<sup>st</sup> Grade Heather Galler inspired Composition



Adelyn Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Cardinal painting



Lainey Thomas, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Optical Illusion

## Learning Commons Corner

Dear Families,

We have **POWERED UP** our Virtual Book Fair to raise more money for our Chapman's library by opening up SpoonRead's donation platform.

You can ask friends and family to support our event by sending an email through your parent club account. Just follow these steps:

- 1. Go to <u>parentclub.spoonread.net</u> (set up an account if you don't currently have one)
- 2. Click on the Request Donations button next to your child's avatar
- 3. Enter the email addresses of friends and family who will support our event.
- 4. Click the envelop icon on the far right of each address to send an email asking them to make a donation to Chapman's Retreat Virtual Book Fair
- 5. Finally, you have the opportunity to donate yourself by clicking the Make a Donation button

Your continued support of our event is so, so appreciated!

Thank you for your support! Mrs. Walker (<u>amber.walker@wcs.edu</u>)



# PTO Update

Mark your calendars for PTO Spirit Night at Tito's on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-9:00! CRES will receive 15% of all orders placed that evening! We hope you can join us!

## TITO'S SPIRIT NIGHT MONDAY, OCTOBER 26TH 5 - 9 PM



