

August 30, 2018

Hi Upper School Parents and Students!

I wanted to remind you all that tomorrow is a noon dismissal. Childcare will be provided for those of you who need or want to take advantage of that. If not, children can be picked up by 12:15 to not incur childcare costs. If your students are staying, then make sure they have a lunch for the day.

As I told the students, on short weeks I normally do not send out newsletters, Problem of the Week (POW) folder, or Graded Work Folders. I am sending this newsletter out because it is early in the year and I had a few reminders I wanted to get out. There will be no Problem of the Week or Graded Work Folders going out on Tuesday since Monday is a holiday. I am currently waiting on two POWs and five Work Folders for this week. Double check with your child that they have turned theirs in.

I am sending next week's vocabulary with this newsletter. There will only be 15 words since it isn't a full week. Students will always need to turn in their vocabulary word for the following week by Tuesday. This will be a standing assignment each week.

I have made reservations for two field trips to the Carson Center in Paducah and need you all to check to see if you can drive. The first trip is Wednesday, October 17 to see a Magic with Math show. The next trip is not until spring, to see the Paducah Symphony on Friday, April 12. Ms. Kathy is also looking at scheduling a couple of field trips to Cedarhurst. I will let you know about them when they are definite.

We are still getting our routine down, but students seem to be adjusting to need for more focus and less playing around. Now if the rest of our new math books would get here, I would feel much better. Right now I am copying for the 7th and 8th grades. We will be on a more rigid schedule to get

things accomplished as we move into September. Hershey will be back on Tuesday, so please remember to keep the classroom doors closed and remind the students to as well if you notice them forgetting. In the last week, we have lost numerous imaginary Hersheys to open doors.

Please make plans to attend the corporation meeting next Thursday evening. We will start with a pot luck at 5:30 and then start the meeting at 6:00. We would appreciate volunteers to provide childcare during the meeting. These will be counted toward the service hour requirement.

We have a new classroom arrangement, but it still needs a bit of work. We are still looking for a couple of desk or small folding chairs that fit under the desks. Overall the classroom is working better with the new arrangement. I just need a way to get our last four students into a table group of desks and still have room to maneuver.

Students received responses from their notes to their secret buddies today. They were pretty cute. I hope they show you all.

Upcoming events are listed below. I am looking forward to seeing you all on Thursday evening.

Best wishes,

Carla

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, August 31: Noon Dismissal

Monday, September 3: Holiday-No School

Wednesday, September 5: Wacky Wednesday All School Meeting

Thursday, September 6: Corporation Meeting (Pot Luck at 5:30 and Meeting at 6:00)

Wednesday, September 12: Bake Sale for School Pets (3:00-3:45 in cafeteria)

Sunday, September 23: CNS Golf Scramble

VOCABULARY FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4-7, 2018

1. **chiromancy**: practice of using the lines in the palms of the hand to predict that person's character and future. Also known as palmistry. (noun) (Clare)
2. **dog**: a domesticated carnivorous mammal that typically has a long snout. (noun) (Liam)
3. **encyclopedia**: a book or set of books giving information on many subjects or on many aspects of one subject that is typically arranged alphabetically (noun) (Kloey)
4. **guitar**: a stringed instrument with a fretted fingerboard. It typically has in-curved sides and six or twelve strings. It is played by plucking or strumming with the fingers or a plectrum/pick (noun) (Bo)
5. **matins**: of or related to early mornings (adjective) (Jasper)
6. **phoenix**: a unique bird that lived for five or six centuries in the Arabian desert, after this time burning itself on a funeral pyre and rising from the ashes with renewed youth to live through another cycle (noun) (Anna)
7. **placate**: to stop someone from being angry; to sooth, appease, or pacify (verb) (Max)
8. **profile**: an outline of something, especially a person's face from the side (noun) (Keira)
9. **quality**: the standard of something as measured against other things of a similar kind (noun) (Grayson)
10. **Saturn V**: rocket ship that was used during the Apollo program and was used to get to the moon (noun) (Wiley)
11. **variable**: not consistent or having a fixed pattern; liable to change (adjective) (Ellie)

12. **vocabulary**: the body of words used in a language (noun) (Gabriella)

13. **rebel**: a person who rises in opposition or armed resistance against an established government or ruler (noun) (Wiley)

14. **rebel**: to rise up in opposition or armed resistance to an established government or ruler. (verb) (Wiley)

15. **unicorn**: a mythical animal typically represented as a horse with a single straight horn projecting from its forehead. (noun) (Grayson)

16. **weird**: suggesting something strange, supernatural or uncanny (adjective) (Anna)

17. **wolves**: wild carnivorous mammals of the dog family, living and hunting in packs. They are native to both Eurasia and North America (noun) (Liam)

18. **physics**: the study of matter and energy (noun) (Carla)

19. **chemistry**: the study of matter and how it changes (noun) (Carla)

20. **ellipsis**: punctuation consisting of three periods used to show a pause in dialog or to show that words or sentences have been left out. (noun) (Carla)