

19 October 2018

Dear Upper School family and friends,

We had a great time on our field trip to Paducah. There weren't as many people at the second show, so the kids got to interact more with the math magician. The day was so beautiful and perfect for a picnic lunch and playing on the playground at Bob Noble Park. Thank you so much to all the parents who volunteered to drive. Our next field trip is on October 31 to Carbondale High School at 8:30 in the morning. Let me know if you will be able to drive and how many students you can take in your vehicle.

We went over the all-school song for the winter program at this morning's meeting. All the students seem genuinely pleased and excited to be singing "I Just Want to be King" from *The Lion King*. We will be starting to work on that as well as our class presentation for the program.

I need someone who is good with software to help us set up our cursive software so we can access it. Let me know if you have some time to jump in to figure this out.

The students have come up with a name for their team for next Friday's trivia night. I have two seats left in my car if your child needs a ride to the event. Please let me know by Wednesday. (10/24-Picture Day)

Next week is the last week of the grading period, so remind your child(ren) to turn in all their work and keep their assignments, journals, etc. up to date. I am seeing a lot of improvement in the quality and quantity of the writing I am getting turned in. There are a couple of students struggling and I will be working with them individually. Graded work folders will go out again next Monday. Three students have not returned theirs from this week as yet. There are also two students who have not given me their P.O.W.s

We have a lot of things on our wish list right now. We really need boards to add to our collection on the playground for fort building. A couple of space heaters would be very helpful in keeping the downstairs of the main building warmer. The venting doesn't carry the air downstairs very well, so it gets very nippy. We desperately need someone to come in to water

seal our picnic tables on the upcoming work day or sooner. These projects and work will be deducted from the required service hours.

Best wishes,

Carla

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Wednesday, October 24: Pictures at 9:00

Thursday, October 25: School Board Meeting (6:00 p.m.)

Friday, October 26: Trivia Night (Sign up for team)

Wednesday, October 31: Field Trip to CCHS (Departure 0845) Movie Party

Thursday, November 1: Dia de los Muertes (Noon Dismissal)

Friday, November 2: No School or Childcare for Institute Day

Wednesday, November 7: Patriotic Day

Saturday, November 10: Work Day

Monday, November 12: Holiday, No School

Start of Food Drive

Wednesday, November 14: Castle Park Field Trip

Tuesday, November 20: Thanksgiving Feast

November 21-23: No School

## VOCABULARY FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 22-26 2018

1. **agreeable:** pleasing to the mind or senses (adjective) (Bo)
2. **ale:** a malt beverage darker, heavier, and more bitter than beer. It contains about 6% alcohol by volume (noun) (Jasper)
3. **atomic number:** the unique number of protons in the nucleus of an atom of a specific element (noun)
4. **cistern:** a waterproof receptacle for holding liquids, usually water. In the middle ages these were often constructed in hill castles and other places where it was impossible to dig wells. (noun)
5. **convex mirror:** a mirror with a surface that curves outwards (noun) (Gabriella)
6. **delectable:** delicious (adjective) (Keira)
7. **democracy:** a type of government ruled by the people via majority vote (noun) (Wiley)
8. **dismounted:** alighted from a horse, bicycle, or other thing one is riding (verb in past tense) (Ellie)
9. **dragon:** a large serpent-like legendary creature that appears in the folklore of many cultures around the world. In western cultures since the middle ages, they have been depicted as winged, horned, four-legged and capable of breathing fire (noun)
10. **dressed:** to put on one's clothes (past tense) (verb) (Grayson)
11. **electron:** a negatively charged particle that is a part of an atom (noun)

12. **information:** facts provided or learned about something or someone (noun) (Kloey)

13. **joust:** to fight on horseback as a knight or man-at-arms (verb)

14. **mythologies:** a collection of folklore genre consisting of narratives that play a fundamental role in society, such as foundational tales or sacred narratives. (noun) (Gavyn)

15. **neutron:** an uncharged or neutral particle found in the nucleus of an atom (noun)

16. **procession:** a number of people or vehicles moving forward in an orderly fashion especially as part of a ceremony or festival (noun) (Max)

17. **procrastinate:** delay or postpone action; to put off something (verb) (Wiley)

18. **proton:** a positively charged particle found in the nucleus of an atom (noun)

19. **thermodynamics:** a branch of physical science that deals with the relationship between heat and other forms of energy, and by extension the relationships between all forms of energy (noun) (Anna)

20. **tumbling:** falling helplessly down, end over end (noun) (Liam)