

CMS Weekly Communication 9.12.21

Good afternoon CMS Families and Happy Friday!

We had a pleasant, short, quiet, four day week here at CMS that ended with an extremely fun PTO Fundraising Party on Friday afternoon. In celebration of the \$70,000+ raised for CMS students and programs, PTO put on a donut and raffle party that was exciting for everyone in attendance. The event started with the distribution of 550+ donuts and then jumped into 30 minutes of raffle prizes. During the raffle over 70 students received prizes and we'd like to thank and acknowledge the many local businesses who donated prizes to our fundraiser. Business donors include Integris Wealth Management, the UPS Store in Carmel, Stationaery Restaurant in Carmel, Revival Ice Cream, Big Squeezy in the Crossroads, On the Beach Surf Shop, and Cassady Orthodontics (who generously donated each prize in the \$400 raffle). After all the prizes had been given out, three students who submitted essays about their creative fundraising efforts were selected to dump a cooler full of ice water on me. Those students will now remain in middle school for at least the next 5 years. It was a fantastic way to wrap up the week and I'd like to thank everyone for their generosity and support in the Cash for Cougars Fundraiser!



Upcoming Events


Cash for Cougars Prize Parties - PTO Needs Volunteers

Thanks to all the families who donated money to support Cash for Cougars! The hard part is over; now it's time to have fun! We have A LOT of celebrating to do over the next couple of weeks, but need some extra hands to make it happen. Please sign up through the link below and if you have any questions you can reach out to Loree Dowse at loreedowse@gmail.com. Thank you!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4AAAA72EA64-cash>

Minimum Day on Friday 9.17.21 - Emergency Drill at CMS

This Friday CMS will be on a minimum day schedule. In addition to the minimum day, we will be conducting our large scale emergency evacuation drill. On Friday, school will end at 12:00, however, at about 11:15 CMS will engage in our emergency drill. The drill simulates a massive earthquake and provides us with an opportunity to test the various emergency teams and systems designed to manage a catastrophic event. Students will be evacuated from the buildings and moved to our tennis courts. The tennis courts serve as our student check out center in the event of a large scale natural disaster. Emergency response teams include traffic control, search and rescue, first aide, and student support units. Each of these teams will be deployed during our drill. In addition, local emergency services personnel will be on hand to critique our response systems while providing advice for improved performance. In all, the drill will take between 30-45 minutes. Students will be released to lunch once the drill is completed.

Parents will not be able to access campus early during the drill. Our traffic control team will re-route all cars to the fire access road at the front of the school near Carmel Valley Road. If you need to pick up your child early on Friday, please do so no later than 11:00 AM. After 11:00 it will likely take 15 minutes or more to retrieve your child from the drill and release them from school. The CMS Library will be closed at 12:00 on Friday. Additional communication and reminders will be provided next week.

 **The 1st annual CMS Reptile Expo** is coming to our library on Tuesday, September 21st. If your family has a reptile (or spider, snail or crab) that you are willing to put on display for a few days, contact Susan Thompson in the library.

That's all we have for this week. Please find important dates below.

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 17. Minimum Day / 6th Grade Cycle Change / Progress Reports
- 23. CMS Fall Music Concert 7:00 p.m.
- 29. Picture Retake Day

OCTOBER

- 6-7 Fall Conferences
- 11-15 October Break - No School
- 25 - 29 Red Ribbon Week
- 29. Halloween Dance (Tentatively Scheduled)

NOVEMBER

- 5. 1st Trimester Ends / 6th Grade Cycle Change
- 11. Veterans Day - No School
- 22 - 26. Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER

- 1 - 15. Canned Food Drive
- 7. CMS Winter Concert 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- 13. World Language Finals - Spanish / Chinese
- 20. - 31. Winter Break

JANUARY

- 3. No School - Staff Development Day
- 7. 6th Grade Cycle Change / PE Flip
- 17. Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School
- 28. Winter Dance 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 4. Minimum Day - Staff Development
- 14 - 18. Kindness Week
- 18. 2nd Trimester Ends / 6th Grade Cycle Change
- 21 - 25. February Break
- 28. 3rd Trimester Begins

MARCH

- 30. CUSD District Band Festival, Sunset Center 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

APRIL

- 1. Minimum Day - Staff Development
- 5. CUSD District String Festival , Sunset Center 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- 8. 6th Grade Cycle Change
- 11 - 15. Spring Break

MAY

- 2 - 6. CMS Staff Appreciation Week
- 6. Minimum Day - Staff Development
- 10. CMS Spring Concert
- 20. Renaissance Faire 12:00 p.m.
- 23 - 27. Spirit Week
- 30. Memorial day - No School

JUNE

- 2. 8th Grade Promotion 5:00 p.m.
- 3. Last Day of School / 3rd Trimester Ends

