

CMS Weekly Communication 9.23.22

Happy Friday CMS Families!

We had another great week of school here at CMS and have really hit our stride as regular routines have been established and school feels like it's back to "normal" here at CMS. Among the many notable events last week were National Mini-Golf Day complete with a mini-golf course in our library and the 7th Grade Beowulf Meme Competition. Many thanks to Claire Cocchi, Deonna Jeffries, and Susan Thompson for creating a mini-golf course in our library and to Mr. Loosely and Mrs. Morris for engaging our 7th graders in a fun literary challenge with a modern twist. Spirited intramural sports competitions are in full swing and first round tournaments are nearing their end with 6th grade classes enjoying wiffle ball, 7th grade classes competing in corn toss, and 8th graders playing outdoor volleyball. Lunchtime clubs are now well established and membership is reportedly strong on all fronts including our environmental club, the gaming/chess club, knitting club, and more! In addition, fall sports are in full swing with competitive games and matches taking place each week, and our musical groups are gearing up for their upcoming Fall Concert! It's great to see so many students enthusiastically involved in a variety of positive activities.

The Week Ahead

Next week is pretty quiet in terms of extracurricular activities, but we do have a few important dates worth noting. First, Cash for Cougars is set to end on Monday. If you haven't yet donated to our PTO, please consider doing so! For more information on Cash for Cougars, please see below. Wednesday will be picture retake day. If you're in need of a second attempt or missed the first round, retake day will take place on Wednesday. Friday, we'll wrap up the month of September with a leadership led, PTO sponsored Fun Friday activity guaranteed to create smiling students!

Cash for Cougars - Please Donate Today!

On Friday we surpassed the 25K mark in donations. While this is exceptional it still leaves us well behind our fundraising goals, projected expenses and budget. If you haven't yet donated to the PTO fundraiser, please consider doing so before time runs out on Monday, September 26th. The money earned through this fundraiser provides so many wonderful opportunities for our students and has a tremendous, positive impact on our school and the student experience. We continue to be blessed and grateful for your generous contributions!

If you'd like to donate, please follow this link to the CMS PTO Donation page:

<https://www.carmelunified.org/Page/5843>

Events and Announcements

Campaign Against Gum on Campus

Our efforts to diminish gum on campus are underway but gum is still rampant on campus. We had a couple gross and sticky incidents this past week including a student who had a wad of wet gum that was stuck to the underside of a desk drop onto their leg in the middle of their class! Not fun!!! Please talk to your students about abiding by our "No Gum" rule to help keep our campus clean and sanitary! Thank you!

CMS YEARBOOK NEWS

Yearbooks are on sale for only \$40! **BUY NOW SO YOU DON'T FORGET!** We are now accepting pet pics, travel pics, and **8th grade baby pics**. We especially need school sports events photos. Please do not email pics to Mrs.Rice or Mr. Fosler- go to [yearbookinfo](#) to upload photos, check deadlines, or order books. After pages are submitted we cannot run late photos. THANK YOU!

Drama Department Announces Performance Dates!

The CMS Drama Department will be performing "The Witches" by Roald Dahl. This play follows a boy and his grandmother as they navigate the adventures of life under the watchful eyes of a society of witches determined to steal away children! As is typical with Dahl, the play has dark, creepy undertones, heartwarming moments, and is interspersed with laugh out loud humor. The play will be performed in early November in the CMS Black Box Theater and we hope you'll come and enjoy an exceptional middle school performance!

CMS Drama Presents: The Witches by Road Dahl

November Performance Dates

4. Play Performance: *The Witches* 6PM

5. Play Performance: *The Witches* 6PM

9. Play Performance: *The Witches* 6PM

Sport Dates week of September 26 - 30

Monday 9.26.22

7th Grade Girls Volleyball vs Pacific Grove @ CMS, 4:00

8th Grade Girls Volleyball vs Pacific Grove @ CMS, 5:00

Boys Volleyball vs Pacific Grove @ CMS, 6:00

Girls Soccer vs San Benancio @ San Benancio, 4:30

Tuesday 9.27.22

Boys Soccer vs Palma @ CMS, 4:30

Thursday 9.29.22

7th Grade Girls Volleyball vs N. Monterey County @ N. Monterey County, 4:00

8th Grade Girls Volleyball vs N. Monterey County @ N. Monterey County, 5:00

Boys Soccer vs N. Monterey County @ CMS, 4:30

Girls Soccer vs N. Monterey County @ N. Monterey County, 4:30

Friday 9.30.22

Cross Country Center Meet @ CMS, 4:00

7th Grade Girls Volleyball vs Santa Catalina @ Santa Catalina, 4:00

8th Grade Girls Volleyball vs Santa Catalina @ Santa Catalina, 5:00

Boys Volleyball vs Santa Catalina @ Santa Catalina, 6:00

CMS Events and Important Calendar Events 2022 - 2023

September

26. School Fundraiser Turn-In-Day

October

3. CMS Fall Strings & Choir Concert, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

4. CMS Fall Conferences, Minimum Day, Block Schedule (Even Periods)

5. CMS Fall Conferences, Minimum Day, Block Schedule (Odd Periods)

5. CMS Picture Retakes 7:45 - 12:00

7. School-Wide Fundraiser Wrap-Up Party

10 - 14. October Break

- 17. Sportsnet Opens for Basketball Sports Registration
- 24 - 28. Red Ribbon Week
- 28. Halloween Dance 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

November

- 4. End of 1st Trimester, 6th Grade Cycle Change
- 4. Sportsnet Registration is Closed
- 7. 2nd Trimester Begins
- 10. Trimester 1 Report Cards Posted (Via Parent Square)
- 11. Veterans Day - no school
- 14 - 18. Winter Sports Tryouts
- 21 - 25. Thanksgiving Break

December

- 5 - 16. Food Bank Fundraiser
- 6. CMS Winter Concert, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
- 9. Minimum Day - school dismissed 12:00 p.m.
- 12. Sportsnet is Open for Spring Sport Registration
- 23. 6th Grade Cycle Change and PE Flip
- 26 - January 6, Winter Break

January

- 9. No School - Staff Development Day
- 13. Progress Reports Posted
- 16. Martin Luther King Jr. Day - no school
- 19 - 21. CCS Band and Orchestra Festival
- 26 - 28. CCS Choir Festival

February

- 3. Minimum Day - school dismissed 12:00
- 13 - 17. Kindness Week
- 16 - 18. CASMEC Music Program - All State
- 17. 2nd Trimester Ends
- 17. Sportsnet Closes for Spring Sport Registration
- 20 - 24. February Break
- 27. 3rd Trimester Begins
- 28 - March 3. Spring Sports Tryouts

March

2. District Choral Festival, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. Sunset Center
3. Trimester 2 Report Cards Posted (Via Parent Square)
- 8 - 9. 7th and 8th Grade Benchmark Testing - Block Schedule
17. Spring Dance 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
24. Minimum Day - school dismissed 12:00 p.m.
28. District Band Festival, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

April

5. District String Festival, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m
7. 6th Grade Last Cycle Change
- 10 - 14. Spring Break
21. Progress Reports Posted (Via Parent Square)
23. Music Program - Big Sur Marathon Performance
- 24 - May 2 CAASPP Testing

May

- 1 - 2 CAASPP Testing
5. Bob Show, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m
6. Music in the Parks
- 8 - 12. Staff Appreciation Week
9. CMS Spring Concert, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., CMS Gym
- 15 - 19. CMS Spirit Week
19. Renaissance Faire 12:00 - 2:40
19. 8th Grade Dance, MEarth Habitat, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.
29. Memorial Day - no school

June

1. CMS 8th Grade Promotion, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
2. Last Day of School - Minimum Day -school dismissed at 12:00
9. Trimester 3 Report Cards Posted (Via Parent Square)