

Happy Mother's Day CMS Moms (and Families)!

Well, we're down to the final three weeks of school! Amazing how that happens so quickly. Over the next few weeks we'll be extremely busy with activities and wrapping up the year. From here out I'll highlight upcoming events with brief descriptions to keep everyone on point, but more detailed communication with specifics will be sent out regularly to your inboxes so please read everything we send!

Wednesday, May 16th: Carpool to School Day: It's back! The Environmental Club's second Carpool to School Day will take place on Wednesday, May 16th! By carpooling, we reduce traffic congestion, reduce our carbon footprint, and save our ocean and all of the life that depends on it! We will reward carpoolers (and all students who walk, ride bikes, or take the bus) with a treat. Please mark your calendars and find a neighbor to carpool with now!

Friday, May 18 – Renaissance Faire: Opening Ceremony 12:45; Renaissance Faire in Habitat 1:15 – 2:45

Huzzah! The Faire has arrived! This Friday, CMS will be transported to 16th Century England for a few hours as our 7th Grade students engage the rest of our student body and guests in our 14th annual Renaissance Faire. We do allow families to come and participate in the event, however, guests must all sign in with our office and get the appropriate sticker in order to enter the Habitat for the faire. Additionally, adult guests may collect 5 crowns from a designated banker to spend at the faire, however, this is a one-time withdrawal as the selling of items in a regulated market economy is actually part of the assignment for our 7th Grade students and we cannot flood the market with money! If you do plan to come, arrive early and make sure to come see the opening ceremonies taking place on the field behind the library. The faire promises to be a most wonderful occasion!

Friday, May 18 – 8th Grade Dance at the Carmel Youth Center; 7:00 – 10:00: Invitations have already been provided to students and we're hoping for a great turnout at this event. Our parent committee has been working hard to prepare a memorable night for our 8th grade students and we hope everyone in the class will join us in celebrating the end of their time as CMS Cougars. More detailed information will be sent out to the 8th grade class on Monday.

Monday, May 21 – Honors Night: 6th/7th Grade Ceremony 5:30 – 6:00; 8th Grade Ceremony 6:30 – 7:30

This year we've combined Honors Night ceremonies into a one night event and you should have received, or be receiving shortly, an invitation to attend if your child earned a 3.50 GPA or better during the school year. In addition to honoring academic achievement, several individual awards will be presented during the evening for individual students demonstrating positive character or the tremendous love and aptitude for a specific subject area. Please make plans to come join us for this wonderful event honoring many students and families.

Other Events to Keep on the Calendar

Wednesday, May 23 – 8th Grade Visits to CHS

Wednesday, May 30 – Class Trips

Thursday May 31 – 8th Grade Promotion

Friday, June 1 – Last Day of School: Minimum Day – Students released at 12:00

Highlights of the Week

Another Staff Luncheon!!! Last week was Teacher Appreciation Week and we were once again blessed with a fantastic luncheon on Friday prior to our Staff Development Session. The food was incredible leaving many teachers (and administrators) full, happy, and sleepy during our afternoon work session. In addition, each teacher was surprised with a generous gift card to a local business which added some fun and excitement to the event! Many thanks to the wonderful CMS PTO, Sarda Desmond of Sarda's Fusion Catering, and the many parents who supplied drinks, desserts, flowers and gift cards for the teachers including:

Mariangela Bisi, Jen Boen, Lisa Brinton, Tiffany Buraglio, Tracy Castagna, Melanie Cooke Kridech, Lynn Cordell, Chrissy Davi, Masum Desai, Audra Descalzi, Alicia Doherty, Loree Dowse, Vivi Fenwick, Donna Garren, Hilary Hamilton, Lisa Handley, Rosa Hong, Nicole Kelly, Toni Lakind, Nicole LeMaster, Sara Maguire, Keita Marnell, Janet McAthie, Kristina Pacheco, Stacey Profeta, Robyn Rauh, Sara

Ruffner, Jennifer Rutherford, Cindy Schroeder, Angie Sullivan, Linnea Terranova, Patricia Turner, Cassady Velasco, Angela Weigel, Lisa Weiman, Maija West, Lovina Worick.

Thank you for your unending generosity and for the love and appreciation shown to our staff all year!!!

Spring Concert and Music in the Park: This week our music department had a couple major events that signify the winding down of another busy and successful year. Tuesday night, CMS hosted our annual Spring Concert featuring just about every musical ensemble we have. The following day a second concert was performed for our student body and on Saturday our musicians headed to Great America for Music in the Park. While I do not yet know the results from the trip to Great America, our musicians have traditionally swept the competition bringing home a ridiculous share of awards. Based on what I've seen this year, I'm pretty confident we'll have lots of sparkling hardware in our office Monday morning. I hope that you had the opportunity to see at least one of our groups perform this year as our program continues to be outstanding. Thank you and congratulations to all our musicians and our two outstanding leaders Sarah Prusasky and Tom Lehmkuhl for another spectacular year! **One final chance to see the CMS Jazz Ensemble performing with CHS at 7:00 PM in the CHS Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, May 16!**

Calendar

MAY

11. Minimum Day - School dismissed at 12:00
12. Music in the Parks - all day
14. 8th Grade Panoramic Picture 10:40 - 11:00 a.m.
16. CHS/CMS Jazz Concert 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
16. Carpool, walk or ride bike to work or school day
18. CHS 8th grade Sports Physicals, CHS cafeteria, 6:00 -8:00 p.m.
18. Renaissance Faire 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.
18. 8th Grade Dance, Carmel Youth Center, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
21. CMS Honors Night , CMS Gym 6th & 7th Grade 5:30 - 6:00 , 8th Grade, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m
23. Chromebook turn in day
23. 8th Grade field trip to CHS, 11:30 - 12:55
- 23- 25. CMS World Language Final Exams
25. All Library materials are due
28. Memorial Day - School Closed
30. Class activities Grades 6, 7, 8
31. CMS Promotion Ceremony - Grade 8, 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

JUNE

1. 8th Grade Brunch, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1. Last Day of School / minimum day - school dismissed 12:00

