



Cherry Tree Chatter

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Upcoming Events at CTE:

November 16th-29th

Scholastic Book Fair Virtual Shopping

November 24th-26th





Thanksgiving Break - No School

November 17th-23rd

Scholastic Book Fair In-Person Student Shopping

December 1st

Late Start

<p>Mask Reminder</p> 	<p>Please send your child(ren) to school with a mask and if you can, pack one or two extra in their backpack(s). We do have extras available in the office but our supply is dwindling. Thank you for your help with this!</p>
<p>Chromebooks</p> 	<p>Please remember to charge your Chromebooks every night! They are a very important part of our daily routine and need to be charged and ready to go at the beginning of each day.</p>
<p>Attendance</p> 	<p>Just a reminder to please call us and let us know if your child will be absent or arriving late to school. Call 846-3086 and press 1 for attendance.</p>
<p>Lost and Found</p>  <p><small>© 2009 Mark de Gisi www.markdeGisi.co.uk</small></p>	<p>Are you looking for something? We just might have it!!! We have SO many items accumulated on our lost and found tables in the cafeteria. If your child is missing a jacket, lunch box, water bottle or any other random treasure please have them check out our growing collection. <i>**It's always a great idea to label any items brought from home so we can help locate the owners when they go missing.</i></p>

<p>Bus Riders</p> 	<p>Please remember that due to Covid guidelines students may only ride their assigned bus. At this time, students are not allowed to ride other buses home with friends.</p>
<p>Car Pool Line</p> 	<p>With the weather changing our carpool line is getting longer everyday. Please remember that if you are visiting the school or picking up your child early, we need to keep the front parking lot and our bus parking lot clear. You are free to park in the staff lot (north side of building).</p>
<p>Late Start Wednesdays</p> 	<p>Just a reminder that the next CCS late start will be on Wednesday, December 1st. Please remember that the building will not be open for drop off until 8:15 am. Before school care is available on late start days through the Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation. Your child must be enrolled with CCPR in order to attend. See the following link to register. Before-and-after-school-care.</p>
<p>Bikers and Walkers</p> 	<p>Please remember that students that walk or ride their bikes to school will not be able to enter the building until 7:35. With the colder, darker mornings we want to make sure that children are not standing outside for long periods of time.</p> <p><i>Thanks so much for helping keep our CTE kids safe!</i></p>
<p>Forget-Us-Not! Annual GRAND-Person's Event</p> 	<p>Forget-Us-Not! The annual GRAND-Person's Breakfast is on hold for another year, but we can still show our grand people we are thinking of them.</p> <p>There will be a card packet coming home in your kids' folder this week or next. Please have them color, decorate, and draw something special to send to their GRAND person. It will be a wonderful surprise! Also, it will share some information about the virtual CTE book fair that runs November 16th-29th.</p> <p>Need more copies for more GRANDpersons in your life? Click here for a printable version.</p>

**"Books Bring Us Together" 2021
Scholastic Book Fair**



Thank you for donating to the All for Books Coin Drive!

Together, you donated \$1,158.80, which will go toward supporting our CTE classroom libraries and providing books to fellow children in need of books. CONGRATULATIONS TO 1ST GRADE ON DONATING THE MOST AT \$448.03! Donations will continue to be taken in the Media Center during the Book Fair.

Book Fair In-Person Student Shopping - 50% of dollars go back to our school - November 17-23

- Students shop the Book Fair during their regularly scheduled media time
- Remember to set up your student's ewallet prior to their shopping day!
- Support your classroom, by gifting to your child's teacher's ewallet; find links below

[Book Fair 2021 Teacher eWallet Links](#)

Book Fair Virtual Shopping - 25% of dollars go back to our school - November 16-29

- Great option for parents, families and friends

To access all information about the fair, including information on how to set up your child's ewallet click here:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/cherrytreeelementaryschool>

-NEW-

Wellness Wednesdays



Wellness Wednesday was on November 17th!

Encourage your kids to try a berry! Berries are a healthy addition to any breakfast or smoothie. Check out this link for all the berry health benefits, like vitamin C and they are Loaded with antioxidants! [11 Reasons Why Berries Are Among the Healthiest Foods on Earth](#)

CTE Staff Favorite Things



Looking for a way to show your child's teacher(s) you appreciation or to celebrate this holiday season? Check out a list of their favorite things here: [Staff Appreciation](#)

The Holiday Meal



It's time again for the Cherry Tree Elementary holiday meal! On December 16th our students will have the option to select lunch items from a special holiday menu. Our wonderful kitchen staff will be preparing homemade turkey and gravy w/ a warm roll, green beans, Cranberry Jello and an ice cream cup.

Yearbook Orders!



Order your yearbook from Lifetouch today! Simply go to www.ybpay.com and enter code 14483122 to make your selections. Order deadline is March 25, 2022.

Lifetouch & Shutterfly Fundraiser



It's Holiday Card Time! Cherry Tree PTO is thrilled to announce a new fundraising opportunity with Lifetouch and Shutterfly. With their help, we've created a custom online storefront where you can shop the extensive Shutterfly collection and for every purchase made, Shutterfly will donate 8% to our organization.

It's easy to support us:

1. Visit our Shutterfly Storefront at:
<http://cherrytreeppto.shutterflystorefront.com/>
2. Click through to start shopping!
3. Purchase thoughtful gifts and keepsakes for friends, family and especially yourself.
4. That's it! For every purchase made, 8% of the proceeds will go toward helping our organization.

It's that easy. Plus, you can even use applicable Shutterfly discount codes to save on your entire order. Please feel free to share this website with your friends, family and co-workers—the more orders we receive through our Storefront, the more our organization earns!

Easy Ways to Support Cherry Tree



Holiday Shoppers! Make sure to link your **Amazon** account to Cherry Tree Elementary! On the **Amazon** app, go to programs and features, click Amazon Smile and choose "Cherry Tree Elementary Parent Teacher Organization Inc." as your charity. To link your account on a computer, simply log into your Amazon account through amazonsmile.com, select our organization and shop through the Amazon Smile website. For every purchase you make **Amazon** donates a percentage to Cherry Tree!

Kroger has a community rewards program as well! Login in to your **Kroger** account and choose Community Rewards to add the Cherry Tree Elementary PTO from the list of organizations. **Kroger** donates a percentage of your spending to our school.

Media Center Volunteers Needed



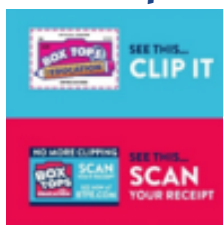
The media center is looking for volunteers to help the kids and Mrs. Lima.

There are three shifts available per day, 8-10am, 9-11am and 11:40am-1:40pm. Morning shifts are usually responsible for checking in and shelving books, and the afternoon shift helps kindergarten and 1st grade find and check out books.

If interested please follow this link to complete the google form: <https://forms.gle/PYBuiWbviDySjtBM9>

For more info please email Megan Droste at medroste@gmail.com or Melissa Putts at melissaputts@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Box Tops



Box Tops are a simple way to support Cherry Tree! Just download the Box Tops for Education App and scan your grocery receipts after you shop! Box Tops donates \$0.10 for each participating product you buy and there are always new bonus box tops opportunities! Having trouble remembering to scan your receipts? Set a customized scan reminder through the app that fits your shopping schedule!

POPs



POPS = Parents of Proud Students

POPS is always looking to add more male figures to our roster. There are fun upcoming events to help with and get together to be part of.

Join us on GroupMe (https://groupme.com/join_group/70805123/32a43VnY) and/or email David Glenn at dglenniu@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report



[Learn more](#) about how your PTO dollars were used last month to enhance the student experience at CTE.

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