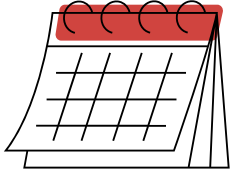


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CHERRY TREE CHATTER



KEY DATES

December 19th-

January 4th

Winter Break -

No Classes

January 5th

Classes Resume

January 10th

Lego Club Session 1

January 23rd

PTO General Meeting

January 23rd-27th

Artist in Residence

January 26th

Science Fair

Registration Deadline

February 2nd

Winter Family Fun

Night

February 9th

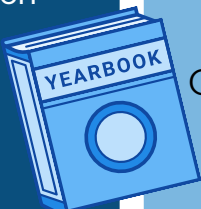
Science Fair Open

House

February 14th

Valentine's Day

Parties



WINTER BREAK DEC. 19TH - JAN. 4TH

Enjoy your Winter Break, Cherry Tree Families!

See you in January!

FAVORITE THINGS

Check out our updated
lists of teachers' and
staff's "favorite things"!

SCIENCE FAIR

Calling all CTE Scientists!
Registration is open for the
2023 CTE Science Fair, Feb. 9,
2023. Info packets are linked in
the registration form.

ANY student K-5 can register.
Questions? Please contact
Tony Lopez and Jeff Hegnauer
at
cherrytreeptosciencefair@gmail.com

YEARBOOK ORDERS

2022-23 Yearbook
Ordering is Open!
Click [HERE](#) to view the
order form and for
more info.

WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

We served apples from our kind
and generous sponsor Kroger
and used our senses to practice
Mindfulness- being in the
moment and experiencing the
now - using touch, smell, view
and taste the apples.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Click Here for a variety of
opportunities to support CTE in
2023!



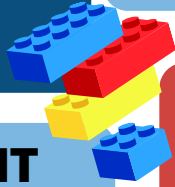
The Media Center is also looking
for volunteers, specifically the
8-10a.m. shifts. If interested,
contact [Ashley Millis](#) or [BethAnn
Kelley](#).

CCS HIRING EVENT

Jan. 4 3:30-6:30p.m.
Walk-in interviews available for
multiple support staff positions.
More information is in the flyer below.

LEGO CLUB

Registration confirmations for LEGO Club will be sent out by Friday, Dec. 16. Please email LEGO Club at cteptopatriotlegoclub@gmail.com if you did not receive an email indicating your child's placement in the club or waitlist. Everyone who registered will receive an email.



SAFETY REMINDER

The mornings are staying darker longer! Please make sure that your walkers and bikers are being extra safe and cautious on the way to school. Make sure your clothing is light colored and that your bikes have good reflectors!!

WINTER FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Mark your calendars for Thursday, Feb. 2nd and join us at CTE for an evening of family fun! Games, snacks and prizes are all in the works. More details to come.



HOLIDAY LIGHTS RECYCLING

You can now recycle any unwanted holiday lights at CTE! Just place in the collection box school. More info below.



ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

The PTO is excited to announce that this year our Artist in Residence program is partnering with STEAM and bringing Miss Liz the Science Wiz to CTE! Our students will experience a great week of science during the week of Jan. 23rd.

PTO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us for a General Membership PTO Meeting Monday, Jan. 23 at 10:45a.m. in the LGI Room at CTE.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The current Treasurer's Report is available, as well as previous reports. Learn how your PTO dollars were used to enhance students' experiences at CTE.



SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Have you signed up for the optional Cherry Tree Directory? Once you create a Membership Toolkit Account, you will have access to the directory and upcoming calendar events. This is a free, optional directory for all Cherry Tree families.

EASY NO COST WAYS TO SUPPORT CHERRY TREE

The Shutterfly logo is displayed in white text on an orange rectangular background.

It's holiday card and gift time! Cherry Tree PTO is thrilled to announce a fundraising opportunity with 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. Plus you can even use applicable Shutterfly discount codes! Please feel free to share this website with friends and family!

<http://cherrytreepto.shutterflystorefront.com/>

The Amazon Smile logo features the word "amazon" in black and "smile" in orange, with a curved orange arrow underneath. Below it, the tagline "You shop. Amazon gives." is written in black.

Amazon 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](https://www.amazon.com/smile), select our organization and shop through the Amazon Smile website.

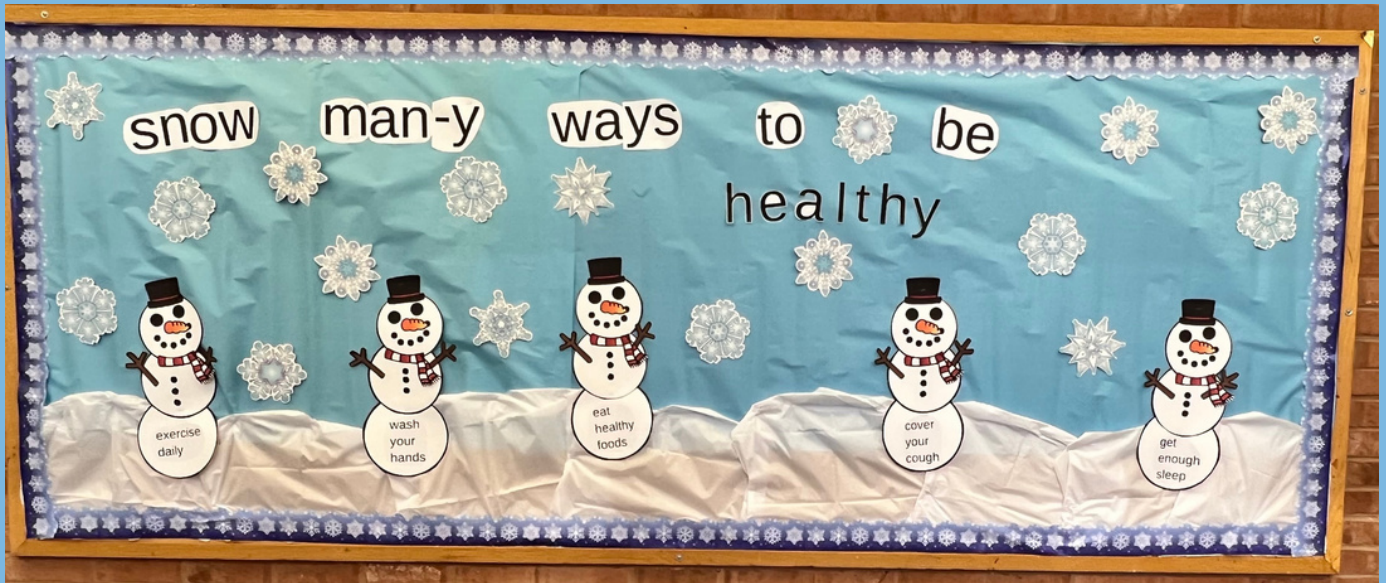
For every purchase you make Amazon donates a percentage to Cherry Tree!



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. This is an easy no-cost way to support Cherry Tree! Register for these programs today!

SNOW MANY WAYS TO BE HEALTHY WHILE WE ARE HEADED INTO 2023! CHECK OUT OUR NEW BOARD IN THE CAFETERIA. WE CONTINUE TO PROMOTE WELLNESS EVERY TIME WE TALK WITH YOUR KIDS.



NEWS FROM CCS



**HOLIDAY LIGHTS
RECYCLING DRIVE**

Recycle old,
broken and unused
strings of lights!

This environmentally-friendly
program offers an alternative to
sending strands of holiday lights
to a landfill.

SPONSORED BY:

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- CCS GREEN TEAM
- CITY OF CARMEL UTILITIES
- White's ACE Hardware and Garden Center
Great Service - Great Price

Public drop-off at White's Ace Hardware at Carmel
STARTING: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21
Collection ends on Friday, January 20

SUPPORT STAFF HIRING EVENT

JANUARY 4, 2023
3:30PM - 6:30PM

CLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL
5150 126TH STREET
CARMEL, IN 46033

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CHERRY TREE REMINDERS



PARKING

A new city ordinance now restricts using neighborhood streets near school property as a school drop off alternative. If you are using a car to get children to/from school, please follow the procedure to bring them in/pick up on school property in the lot to the east of the school/facing Hazel Dell Pkwy.



CARPOOL

We do our best each day to keep the line moving in an efficient way. You can help by having students ready to exit the car upon arrival, pulling all the way down in the morning to allow more cars to drop off and by having all students exit the passenger side of the car for safety. Thank you for your partnership in helping us welcome and safely deliver home 700+ students each day.



CHROMEBOOKS

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. In addition to being charged it is very important they are brought to school each day. Unfortunately, we will no longer be able to offer loaner computers to students who forget them at home.

****Also, please remind your students to treat them with special care. We have seen an increased number of broken devices and we are very limited in our inventory of replacement Chromebooks.**



ATTENDANCE

Remember 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. Please make sure to leave the reason for the late arrival or all day absence.



SUPPORT CHERRY TREE

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!

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These are simple ways for friends and families to support the Cherry Tree PTO at **NO COST** and they are an integral part of our fundraising efforts. Thanks for your support!

